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This year's theme, "Moving Into Focus," will highlight dances that draw attention to special moments. The program includes work by Dance Composition students, UMM faculty and guest artists Fatawu Sayibu and Jeffrey Peterson. There will be a dance from Ghana with live drums, a rhythm tap number, and dances inspired by Mediterranean folk dance, ballet, modern and jazz.

More than 40 dancers, including Morris community members, will delight the audience with their talent, enthusiasm and dramatic performances. Morris campus students who will perform are Lea Awoudi, Olivia Awoudi, Rachel Braegelmann, Emily Colacino, Ciana Cullens, Courtney Driesen, Yanjiao Gu, Grace Holthaus, Rochelle Jansen, Angela Lexvold, Abigail Liu, Lucy Lloyd, Caitlin Mayo, Elizabeth Meyer, Antonia Murray, Brittany Ottum, Anshul Paranjape, DeAnna Ricci, Brittany Schilla, Bree Suter, Elizabeth Thoma, Mette Towley, Elsa VanGorp, Lyndsey Weber, Qiyuan Zheng, Nate Christensen, and Danica Litch.

Tickets can be purchased at the door. For more information call 589-6123.

Photo: UMM dance students rehearsing for Ferolyn Angell's "At Trinity & Dey" to be performed as part of the UMM Dance Program's recital, "Moving Into Focus," at 7:30 p.m. February 5 and 6 in Edson Auditorium.

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