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EVENT: Bristol Funk It Up dance crew 'SYNERGY' perform at Bristol Fashion Week
DATE: Thursday 25th March at 1 o'clock
VENUE: The Fashion Pavilion, The Mall at Cribbs Causeway, Bristol

Top Bristol dance crew Synergy will funk it up on the catwalk at The Mall at Cribbs Causeway when they make a one-off appearance at Bristol Fashion Week next Thursday, 25th March.

The 12-strong dance group from Funk It Up Dance School in Bristol was formed 18 months ago and is rapidly becoming known in Bristol for its high quality dancers and unique and impressive choreography.

Around six members of Synergy will perform a two-minute hip-hop routine on the catwalk in front of a capacity audience of 380 at the VIP fashion show on the opening day of Bristol Fashion Week, Thursday 25th March.

21 year old Chay Jackson is choreographing a new routine for their appearance. He says:

"Hip hop is fun, exuberant and dynamic and we hope we'll transmit all the energy and buzz of the dance to the audience ready for the start of the fashion show. We're busy rehearsing for our appearance and are really excited at performing at such a prestigious event."

Synergy has performed at various dance competitions, coming first at last year's South West Street Dance Championships in Clevedon and second at the UDO World Street Dance Championships in Blackpool. They have also appeared on the television show 'Skins' and have been booked to dance at weddings, parties and at festivals.

Funk It Up runs fun energetic dance classes at Fitness4less gym in Broadmead, Tyndall Avenue in Clifton and St. Werburghs. They also teach at schools, youth clubs, hen parties, children birthday parties and run workshops at festivals and events. They also offer other dance styles in schools including contemporary, ballet, jazz, latin and cheerleading.

Rachel Jacobsen of Funk It Up says: "It's very exciting for our dancers and teachers to be involved in so many positive projects, especially now it is much more competitive. We like to keep our classes fresh, fun and funky, giving all types of people opportunities to come and learn to dance, express themselves, gain confidence and enjoy great opportunities to share this with others."

You can find out more by going to www.funkitupdance.com or calling 0117 942 8272.

Bristol Fashion Week is a four day celebration of spring/summer style, with 18 fashion shows and free beauty treats. It runs from Thursday 25th to Sunday 28th March. Top TV fashion stylist Mark Heyes and celebrity hairdresser Andrew Barton will host all the fashion shows. Fashion show tickets are available from www.mallcribbs.com or The Mall's Information Desk.

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