

# Momentum a debut for some, a farewell for others

The annual spring dance show, "Momentum," performed by the McCallum Youth Dance Company, was a debut for many dancers and a farewell spring concert for others.

For sophomore Aydan Howison, in his first year as a dance major, the show was his debut performance.

"Each piece that I took part in was so unique in its own style." Howison told Macjournalism. "Before this show, I had never heard of Flamenco dance and the culture that surrounded it."

Howison participated in multiple genres of dance in this performance, such as Flamenco, modern, and contemporary.

"I loved being able to express emotion through movement." Howison said. "It's something that can change someone's life for the better."

While Howison and his fellow Emerging Dance Troupe members made their first spring concert performance, the senior members of the Pre-Professional Dance Company made their last.

For senior Chloe Shields, Saturday night was her last performance dancing in the spring dance show with her company.

"It hasn't quite hit me yet that this is my last show," Shields said. "I'm excited but also nervous because that means that this is actually the end of high school, and I am not sure if I am ready yet."

Shields has participated in the McCallum dance program as a major for all four years of high school.

"I know that I will keep dancing after this show no matter

what.” Shield said. “But being a part of this program for all four years has been a big part of my experience, and without it will be different regardless.”

We are pleased to share some of our favorite images from this weekend’s performances as our #TuesdayTop10 photo essay for this week.

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