



Interview with Robert Battle of Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater

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Robert Battle is the new artistic director of the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater. (Photo by Andrew Eccles.)

Alicia Zuckerman interviews Robert Battle, the new artistic director of the [Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater](#). Battle grew up Liberty City and he remembers being inspired when he first saw the legendary dance company perform at the Jackie Gleason Theater. He's only the third artistic director of the company after Judith Jamison and Ailey himself.

Battle returns to his home town with the dance company for performances at the [Adrienne Arsht Center](#) running [this](#) Thursday, Feb. 23 through Sunday, Feb. 26.