La fayette is a theatrical and choreographic show conceived by Christine Jeannin, a former dancer from the Grand Théâtre de Bordeaux.

10 dancers with a background in classical ballet and hip-hop will perform with a backdrop of video projections and voice-offs (with English subtitles). They will tell the story of the Marquis de Lafayette, a man who, “with all his might,” fought for the well-being of all and freedom everywhere.

They will perform at Old Dominion University Theatre 4608 Hampton Boulevard NORFOLK VA 23529 on the 18th and 19th of October at 7:30 Pm.

They will also share some parts of the show at the American Revolution Museum in Yorktown on October 17th and will participate in the Yorktown Day Parade on the morning of Oct 19th.

It’s in the spirit of Lafayette that students in the French section of the Department of World Languages and Cultures have also been included in our show as they have translated our texts into English. It was a lovely example of the long and historical French-American friendship!

We have received the support of the American Consul in Bordeaux, the Ordre Lafayette France and USA, Gilbert de Pusy Lafayette, the direct descendent of the Marquis, who will be present during all our activities, of the Alliance Française of Virginia and Nicolas Valcourt, Honorary Consul of France.

The group of dancers from Bordeaux are a living extension of History as it is from Bordeaux in 1777 that Lafayette purchased his ship The Victory which took him all the way to Virginia. We are proud to represent the city of Bordeaux at these events, during these days when France will be commemorating America’s entry into war, as we remember Colonel Stanton’s famous words:

La Fayette, here we are!