

Audio Transcript: We Are Kinetic Light (Audio Description)

Text: Kinetic Light. Images of contemporary and aerial dancers mid-performance. Barbed wire encircles one dancer. Others contort and reach in their wheelchairs, suspended above the stage. Text: Kinetic Light is an internationally recognized disability arts ensemble. The group creates, performs, and teaches at the nexus of access, queerness, disability, dance, and race.

A dancer bounds in the air, back to us, wheels shining. Silver gates appear onstage. Text: Founded in 2016 by Alice Sheppard, Kinetic Light artists include Laurel Lawson, Michael Maag, and Jerron Herman.

A dancer flies: in one image his body is curved. Then he launches across the stage. Text: *Wired*, created for *Open Call*, is an immersive contemporary aerial dance experience of sound, light, and movement that explores the race, gender, and disability stories of barbed wire.

An image of a dancer crouched onstage, legs and wheels curled toward her core, arms reaching toward the camera. Text: For Kinetic Light, disability is not a deficit; it is a powerful intersectional creative force essential to artistry.

An image of a dancer wrapped in barbed wire. Text: *Open Call*, August 25-27, 2022, The Shed.