## The Dance Centre: 2007-2008 season outline

Vancouver, BC: More than fifty dance artists and companies are featured in The Dance Centre's 2007-2008 season. Performances, studio showings and events feature a diverse array of local, national and international artists working in contemporary, classical and cultural genres:

#### Scotiabank Dance Centre Open House September 15

Highlights include a studio presentation with Ballet BC; a double bill with hit fusion band Delhi2Dublin, Violet Moore Irish Dancers and South Asian Arts, and Mozaico Flamenco Dance Theatre; plus battery opera's dance/theatre/cabaret hybrid *Bob's Lounge*.

## **Discover Dance!** The popular noon hour series features:

Violet Moore Irish Dancers Sept 27

African Stages Oct 25

Vancouver Tap Dance Society Nov 29

Compaigni V'ni Dansi and the Louis Riel Métis Dancers Jan 31

Axe Capoeira Feb 28

Funky Brewster Cauling (Amber Funk Barton, Sarah Brewer, Cori Caulfield) Mar 27

Arts Umbrella Dance Company April 24

Vancouver Korean Dance Society May 29.

#### Dance In Vancouver November 14-18

Biennial showcase of BC contemporary dance, featuring Wen Wei Dance, Lola Dance, Noam Gagnon, Kinesis, Sarah Chase and more.

## **Artists-in-Residence** work year-round on creation, outreach and events:

Emily Molnar (presenting a new work with Gioconda Barbuto February 7-9, 2008); Joe Laughlin of Joe Ink (technical residency prior to the Vancouver International Dance Festival March 2008); Byron Chief-Moon; Caroline Liffmann; Julie Lebel; Yayoi Hirano; Lee Su-Feh of battery opera, working with Benoit Lachambre.

### **Global Dance Connections**

Chunky Move (Australia) *Glow* (February 1-3, 2008) in partnership with the PuSh International Performing Arts Festival. Plus Ottawa's Le Groupe Dance Lab: founder Peter Boneham leads his world-renowned choreographic intensive April 14-May 2, 2008.

International Dance Day events April 26-29, with BC Dances! community outreach province-wide.

**Chengxin Wei**, the recipient of the Iris Garland Emerging Choreographer Award, presents a new full evening work with Moving Dragon April 4 & 5, 2008.

**Pulse** assisted presentation program: 30Toes, the SINS Collective and Reece Terris May 9 & 10, 2008. **Twelve Minutes Max** in partnership with the Firehall Arts Centre, at the Firehall October 2007 and May 2008 –dates TBA.

**DanceLab** interdisciplinary research program with public studio presentations at the end of each lab (dates TBA).

Anne Cooper, Mirae Rosner, Kathleen McDonagh and Colin MacDonald (dance/voice, September);

African Stages (dance/storytelling/music, October);

Colleen Lanki, Jamie Nesbitt, Alcvin Ramos (dance/theatre/music/video, December);

Kokoro Dance, Barbara Bourget, Matilda Aslizadeh, Elizabeth Dancoes and Tony Wilson

(music/film/choreography, January);

Cara Sui and Elena Kaufman (dance/theatre/literature, February);

True North Performance (movement/visual art/voice, March);

Mary Anne Wong, Patricia Kim, Mutya Macatumpag, and Takuma Sasaki (dance/theatre/multimedia, May).

*Indigenous Creative Processes* (December 2007) research and development laboratory in partnership with Raven Spirit Dance, with studio showings at the Talking Stick Festival in spring 2008.

#### **Calendar of Events**

Sept 15 Scotiabank Dance Centre Open House Sept 27 Discover Dance! Violet Moore Irish Dancers

Sept (dates TBA) DanceLab Anne Cooper, Mirae Rosner, Kathleen McDonagh, Colin MacDonald

Oct 25 Discover Dance! African Stages

Oct (dates TBA) Twelve Minutes Max
Oct (dates TBA) DanceLab African Stages
Nov 14-18 Dance In Vancouver

Nov 29 Discover Dance! Vancouver Tap Dance Society

Dec (dates TBA) Indigenous Creative Processes Lab

Dec (dates TBA) DanceLab: Colleen Lanki, Jamie Nesbitt, Alcvin Ramos

Jan (dates TBA) DanceLab: Kokoro Dance, Barbara Bourget, Matilda Aslizadeh, Elizabeth Dancoes and

Tony Wilson

Jan 31 Discover Dance! Compaigni V'ni Dansi and the Louis Riel Metis Dancers

Feb 1-3 Global Dance Connections: Chunky Move (in partnership with the PuSh Festival)

Feb 7-9 Emily Molnar & Gioconda Barbuto: new work

Feb 28 Discover Dance! Axe Capoeira

Feb (dates TBA) DanceLab Cara Sui and Elena Kaufman Mar 27 Discover Dance! Funky Brewster Cauling Mar (dates TBA) DanceLab: True North Performance

Apr 4- 5 Iris Garland Emerging Choreographer Award: Chengxin Wei/Moving Dragon

April 14-May 2 Global Dance Connections: Le Groupe Dance Lab Apr 24 Discover Dance! Arts Umbrella Dance Company Apr 26-29 International Dance Day and BC Dances

May 9-10 Pulse: 30Toes, the SINS Collective, Reece Terris
May 29 Discover Dance! Vancouver Korean Dance Society

May (dates tbc) DanceLab Mary Anne Wong, Patricia Kim, Mutya Macatumpag, and Takuma Sasaki

May (dates tbc) Twelve Minutes Max

# Information: 604 606 6400 www.thedancecentre.ca All events are at Scotiabank Dance Centre, 677 Davie St, Vancouver except where specified.

**About The Dance Centre** Established in 1986 as a resource centre for the dance profession and the public in British Columbia, The Dance Centre has expanded into a multifaceted organization offering a range of activities unparalleled in Canadian dance. It presents programs and public events; operates Scotiabank Dance Centre, Canada's flagship dance facility; promotes BC dance to the public and to presenters of dance; and provides resources and services for the dance profession, through its team of experienced professional staff.

## Media contact: Heather Bray, Marketing Manager T 604 606 6412 F 604 606 6401 marketing@thedancecentre.ca

The operations of The Dance Centre are supported by the Canada Council for the Arts, the Province of British Columbia through the BC Arts Council, and the City of Vancouver through the Office of Cultural Affairs. Programs are also supported by the Department of Canadian Heritage, and the Province of BC through the Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch.

Discover Dance! media sponsors: Channel M, CBC Radio 1 & 2, and the Vancouver Courier.
Official hotel sponsor: the Holiday Inn Vancouver Downtown Hotel & Suites

The Dance Centre, Level 6, 677 Davie Street, Vancouver BC V6B 2G6 Tel 604 606 6400 www.thedancecentre.ca