

## The Dance Complex Presents *Boston Area Dance Showcase*



**Cambridge, MA- January 15th 2018:** On January 26th, 2019, The Dance Complex will host its first *Boston Area Dance Showcase*, an opportunity for dance artists to share their work with regional presenters. A result of conversation with colleagues in the dance presenting and venue world of New England, this showcase has come into fruition to bring New England-based dance artists into a more valued spotlight. With realigned Boston-area funding, more artists are revealing evidence of growth in craft, production, and performance.

“Here at The Dance Complex,” shared Executive Artistic Director, Peter DiMuro, “We know that it is our relationships with artists that begins a journey of engaging them with our audiences and our communities. The Dance Complex is a hub for the creation, study and performance of dance of all kinds. We value our relationship with, and our evolving place within, the ecology of the dance field. We also value the dynamic growth of dance/movement artists in our metro region.”

Artists have been selected to perform at the showcase through an application and curation process including presenter and artist panelists in consultation with Dance Complex staff. Criteria included tour capability and capacity, with priority space given to Dance Complex affiliated artists. Presenting artists are: Jean Appolon/ Jean Appolon Expressions, Peter DiMuro/Public Displays of Motion, Jessie Jeanne Stinnett/ Boston Dance Theater, Jenny Oliver/ Connections Dance Theater, Heather Stewart, Tony Guglietti & Kristin Wagner, Victoria Awkward/ VLA Dance, Lynn Modell/ Making Dances, Mesma Belsare, Yosi Karahashi, Papa Sy/ Pasy Naay Leer Dance Company, Anjali Nath & Ian Berg, DeAnna Pellecchia/ Kairos Dance Theater, Michael Figueroa/ Ruckus Dance, Jenny Herzog, J Michael Winward, Junichi Fukuda/ FUKUDANCE, Jenna Pollack, and Alexander Davis & Joy Davis/ The Davis Sisters.

New England Foundation For The Arts is offering a stipend for New England presenting organizations or curators attending the event. Presenting Organizations in attendance will include representatives from Williams College, Celebrity Series, Jacob’s Pillow, Wesleyan University, Theater at Monmouth, ICA Boston, Boston Moving Arts Productions, and World Music/CRASH Arts. Additionally, representatives are expected to attend from other local engagers of dance, including those in the museum, gallery, elder-care, and library fields.

Following the showcase, Dance Complex CATALYSTS Artists Aysha Upchurch, Ali Kenner Brodsky, Dawn Kramer, and Rebecca McGowan will perform in The Dance Complex’s Julie Ince Thompson Theater beginning at 8pm. Tickets for the CATALYSTS performance are available at [dancecomplex.org](http://dancecomplex.org).

*Photo from The Dance Complex’s ‘Tiny & Short: A Drop In The Bucket’ Performances 2018 by Olivia Blaisdell/ Half Asian Lens.*

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