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Guelph Dance Announces the 2013 Guelph Dance Festival Line-up!

Guelph, ON (Apr 2, 2013) – This is a big year for Guelph Dance: we celebrate **15 years** of bringing the best of contemporary dance to the Guelph community. And we re-branded from *Guelph Contemporary Dance Festival* to our new name and logo.

Guelph Dance Festival soars to new heights with one of our most enthralling and diverse years ever! From **Thursday May 30 to Sunday June 2** we will jump, collide, and dance through the streets, parks and stages of Guelph. Tensions will flare, rhythms will surge, beauty will unfold. The human condition will be revealed, revered, and redeemed. Artists from **Quebec City** to **Vancouver**, from **Dallas, Texas** to our own **Guelph**, with many points in between, will push the bar of contemporary dance.

On **Stage A, Dark Circles Contemporary Dance** comes all the way from Dallas via Seoul, Korea to challenge our ideas on fate, while Vancouver's **605 Collective** reclaims the animal body with raw, unbridled energy. On **Stage B, Alan Lake** from Quebec City gives us an intimate cheek-to-cheek, and Montreal's **Mayday** explores the many fragile points between desolation and beauty.

Our **In the Park** series features everything from the rough-and-tumble to the exquisite in four eclectic pieces. **Compagnie Danse Nyata Nyata** from Montreal imagines a ravishing opera. Dance meets contact-sport in a rambunctious public ritual by Vancouver's **605 Collective**. Montreal's **Parts+Labour_Danse** joins us again with an homage to absurdist drama. And **Ritmo Flamenco** from Toronto merges the mesmerizing beats of flamenco with the daring of contemporary dance.

In the Studio features Toronto's **Tracey Norman** exploring the "observation theory" and Calgary's **Jaune Fraiche** examining the disjointed world of the subconscious.

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New this year is our **Local Initiatives** series. Inspired by the thriving dance community in Guelph, we invited local dance artists to create work for the Festival. **IMAGEO artworks** and **Lynette Segal** push new dance boundaries in intimate spaces.

Our **Youth Moves** series features dynamic youth-based works from **Carousel Dance Company, The Chimera Project, Contemporary School of Dance, Guelph Youth Dance Company, no. 369 Collective, and Swansea School of Dance.**

Tickets on sale now! Through the River Run Centre: **[riverrun.ca](#)**
Or by phone: **519-763-3000 | 877-520-2408**.

For more information and exciting details on all our artists, please visit our website: **[guelphdance.ca](#)**

For revealing first-person accounts from our dance artists, please visit our blog in the weeks leading up to the Festival: **[guelphdance.blogspot.ca](#)**

About Guelph Dance

Established in 1998, Guelph Dance—formerly the *Guelph Contemporary Dance Festival*—is a nationally recognized leader in contemporary dance, offering a platform for professional, new-generation, and youth dance artists to share their vision, push creative boundaries, and engage community audiences.

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