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Call for Submissions to the 2014 Guelph Dance Festival

Guelph, ON (July 3, 2013) – Guelph Dance is now accepting applications to the 2014 Festival. **New this year: help us go paperless!** Applications can be submitted completely online, just be sure to include a Youtube or Vimeo link to your video and your membership payment via PayPal. Submissions can be sent to info@guelphdance.ca by the appropriate deadline. Visit **our website** for application forms and details. **Come dance with us in 2014!**

Artists may apply to more than one series (no additional membership fee required).

Note on Dates: The **CSA Nooner** performances take place in November 2013 & March 2014. All other series take place during the main Festival weekend May 29 – June 1, 2014.

Series Descriptions:

On the Stage plays host to some of the most accomplished and innovative dance artists from across Canada. Four to six short works, approximately 25 minutes-50 minutes in length, will be chosen to be part of two distinct programs. Artists will perform once in the 200-seat Co-operators Hall at the River Run Centre. Honoraria, travel costs, per diems and accommodations will be provided. A minimum of five years of professional choreography experience is required.

In the Park will feature four works, a maximum of 10 minutes in length, from professional dance artists. Artists must demonstrate an ability to create works that integrate the chosen site, Exhibition Park. Exhibition Park is a beautiful and large downtown community-friendly park with trees, open spaces, and a play centre, providing many potentially exciting locations for site-specific works. Artists will perform

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three times for this family-oriented event, which attracts approximately 700-1000 people. Honoraria, travel costs, per diems and accommodations will be provided. A minimum of five years of professional choreography experience is required.

In the Studio is where dance is performed in an intimate setting, providing an off-the-beaten-path performance opportunity in a studio setting. This venue accommodates 70 patrons. Artists will perform twice. Honoraria, travel costs, per diems and accommodations will be provided. A minimum of five years of professional choreography experience is required.

Youth Moves is open to all Southern Ontario dance companies with performers under the age of 19. Eight works, each under 10 minutes in length, will be chosen. Performances occur on the Sunday during the festival dates in the 200-seat Co-operators Hall, River Run Centre.

The **Central Students' Association (CSA) Nooner** performance is presented on the University of Guelph campus. Three professional artists performing in other festival series will be chosen to perform in this free public event, which promotes dance to university students and professors. This series occurs in November and March.

A new featured element of the Guelph Dance Festival, the **Dance Market** is a marketplace celebration of all aspects of health, wellbeing and community. Teachers, performers, healers, individuals and studios, display and demonstrate their talents, while also taking advantage of the chance to network and promote their businesses to newcomers and veterans of the local dance community. 10-15 spots will be allotted to provide 10-minute demonstrations that involve audience participation. All Dance Market participants must be Dance Associate Members (\$50).

Other. This is the place for you to propose your ideas to enhance the festival experience. For example, are you a circus performer or puppeteer wishing to lead the audience from site to site as part of our In the Park Series? Are you a Hip Hop troupe wishing to hold a late night dance party? We want to hear your ideas and learn what



you are working on, as we are open to formatting the festival to best suit the creative and contemporary work artists are dreaming about.

For more information and exciting details on our Festival, please visit our website: **guelphdance.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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