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Welcome to the ninth annual PuSh International Performing Arts Festival. Be prepared for something special—in fact, a whole lot of special. The 2013 Festival is without question our most far-reaching and expansive yet.

A Facebook posting, recently shared with staff, interpreted the word "push" as an acronym to mean: persist until something happens. Well, something is certainly happening this January. Over three jam-packed weeks, the PuSh Festival looks to coax, cajole, tease, lure, persuade, entice, invite and charm you to cross the line... into new ways of thinking about art-making and the world around you.

Contemporary, innovative, lively and boundary-pushing—these are essential PuSh characteristics. True to form, this year's Festival runs the gamut, offering something for both the aficionado and the uninitiated.

We are back on the street, so to speak, with a provocative series this year entitled Fiction(s). It's a suite of pieces that explores the intersection of public space and contemporary art practice. Collectively, the series is one-of-a-kind, at times life-transforming and always perspective-stretching.

We are collaborating with UK-based caravan to bring three English companies to Vancouver. Through performances, workshops and conversations, we aim to encourage dialogue and understanding. Besides performing at Club PuSh, the companies will work with local artists to dialogue about practice, and to explore ideas and contacts in the hopes that this will lead to ongoing collaboration between English and Canadian artists.

Locally, we have joined forces with an extraordinary group of organizational partners. Tapping into their curatorial expertise, audiences and community profile, PuSh is once again embracing a spirit of cooperation. Take a survey of the myriad of dance, music, theatre, and visual art organizations associated with this year's PuSh Festival, and you'll have a snapshot of just how vibrant Vancouver's independent arts scene is.

And it has its match in the private sector—local brands that are similarly driven to innovate, to define this city's culture and evolving identity. We're proud to be working this year with some of the finest. We've also hooked up with Tourism Vancouver and the Dine Out Vancouver Festival to celebrate our shared love of the culinary arts.

Join us for the 2013 PuSh Festival. Rediscover what's made you a loyal patron, passholder, donor and supporter. Discover why you will soon become one. Come on, let's go... cross the line!







Norman Armour EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



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I would like to extend my warmest greetings to everyone attending the ninth edition of the PuSh International Performing Arts Festival.

Vancouver has a real treasure in PuSh, a festival that—true to its name—encourages theatrical innovation with its inspiring and genre-defying mix of contemporary international and Canadian work. PuSh brings together under a single umbrella artists from a variety of backgrounds and perspectives to collaborate and showcase their talent in front of thousands of audience members keen to experience the magic of live performance.

I would like to commend all those whose hard work on and off stage ensures the success of this popular celebration of the performing arts. With such a wealth of creativity on display, I am sure that this year's festival will be a thrilling experience for patrons and performers alike.

On behalf of the Government of Canada, I offer my best wishes for a memorable festival.

THE RT. HON. Stephen Harper, P.C., M.P. PRIME MINISTER OF CANADA



As Premier of the Province of British Columbia, it gives me great pleasure to welcome everyone to the 2013 PuSh International Performing Arts Festival.

Building on the successes of previous years, the PuSh Festival is really a terrific opportunity for performers to share their creativity and their passion for contemporary art. I am very pleased to congratulate all of the artists featured in this year's program. This is a great opportunity to showcase your work with Vancouver audiences.

Thanks to the dedication of volunteers, the support of community sponsors, and the enthusiasm of local, national, and international performers, this three-week festival promises to be filled with some remarkable talent. As art enthusiasts come together to enjoy the stories, music, and dance featured in this year's program, I hope everyone has a memorable experience at the 2013 PuSh Festival.

Christy Oly Christy Clark PREMIER OF BRITISH COLUMBIA



On behalf of my colleagues on Vancouver City Council, I want to offer my sincere best wishes for the 2013 PuSh Festival.

The PuSh Festival tests the boundaries of the traditional performing arts show. It provides an avenue through which creativity and innovation can be showcased to audiences that are hungry for something different. There are a variety of performances that are sure to please everyone. We are very proud of our enlightened arts community and we welcome all the performers from across Canada and around the world. It is an honour to have you in Vancouver.

Congratulations on another fantastic Festival!

Gregor Robertson MAYOR OF VANCOUVER





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Fiction(s) is a suite of interrelated works that explore the intersection of public space and contemporary practice in a playfully subversive reflection on our individual and collective lives.

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PuSh is honoured by your ongoing support. Each year, the PuSh Patrons Circle grows and we are excited and moved to learn that there are more and more of you who share an understanding of the importance of cutting-edge performing arts to our city. Thank you for helping us to bring adventure and diversity, innovation and relevance, inspiration and rejuvination to stages throughout Vancouver every January.

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JANUARY 29, DRESS REHEARSAL AT 7 PM, RECEPTION TO FOLLOW. STUDIO T, GOLDCORP CENTRE FOR THE ARTS.

Supporters, Advocates, Curators and Sustaining Donors are invited to an exclusive dress rehearsal of Winners and Losers. Enjoy a post-show reception and conversation with Winners and Losers creators and performers James Long and Marcus Youssef.

Invitation to the Opening of Testament

JANUARY 24, PRE-SHOW RECEPTION 6 PM, PERFORMANCE 8 PM RECEPTION LOCATION TBD, PERFORMANCE AT FEI & MILTON WONG EXPERIMENTAL THEATRE, GOLDCORP CENTRE FOR

Advocates, Curators and Sustaining Donors are invited to attend an exclusive reception prior to the Festival's opening night performance of Testament. Members who register for the event will be given a complimentary ticket and invitation to bring a guest.

To register for either event, please contact Development Manager Jocelyn Macdougall at 604.605.8284 EX 202 or jocelyn@pushfestival.ca.

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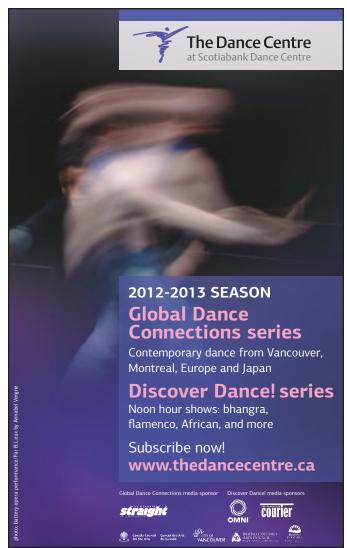
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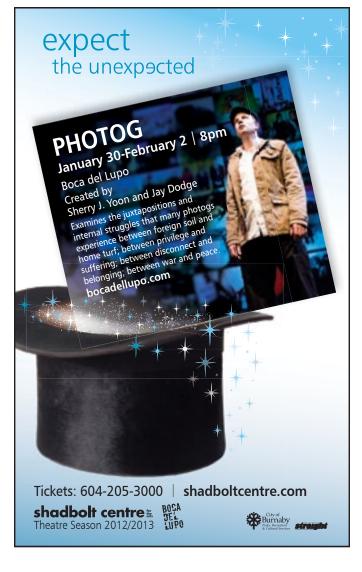
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THIS LIST IS AS OF OCTOBER 12, 2012. IF WE HAVE MISSED YOUR NAME, IT MAY BE BECAUSE OF OUR PRINT DEADLINE. PLEASE KNOW THAT WE APPRECIATE YOU SO VERY MUCH!









IN MEMORIAM

Every arts and cultural organization relies on supporters for time, energy, resources and advice. And every year we have to face the loss of some of those valued people.

This year, we celebrate the lives of some of our dear departed friends, artists and colleagues by dedicating this ninth annual PuSh International Performing Arts Festival to them.

In loving memory of:

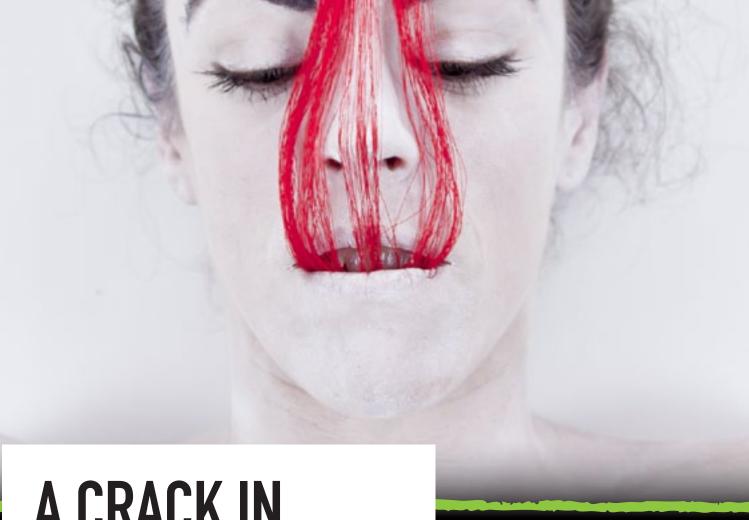
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You know you want to cross it.

The line between safe and risky, between ordinary and adventurous. Pushing artistic boundaries is what the PuSh Festival is all about. And crossing that line with you is what makes it all worthwhile. See you on the other side. January 15 to February 3, 2013.





A CRACK IN EVERYTHING

ZOE | JUNIPER (SEATTLE, USA) ←

Seattle choreographer **Zoe Scofield** and visual artist **Juniper Shuey** offer up a surreal, visually arresting examination of the gap between cause and effect, before and after, and action and reaction. A Crack in Everything is a beguiling, layered, multi-media experience that explores the enduring questions of justice posed in the Greek tragedy *The Oresteia* through dramatic video and costumes, atmospheric installations and lighting, and Scofield's ritualistic movement.

Scofield writes "I loved that idea that there is a flaw in everything, and that there is a space where our humanity and our fallibility is always there and is always present no matter the attempt to make it not." A Crack in Everything touches on these notions, moving through various sequences that are both otherworldly and beautifully kaleidoscopic.

»...may be the most impressive dance/sound/visual spectacle to come from a Seattle creative troupe this year... beautiful, fragmented, mysterious, abstract... cuts to the essence of how we push forward in life while always looking back. « SEATTLE TIMES

Zoe Scofield and Juniper Shuey (zoe | juniper) began working together in 2005, driven by the idea of mythologizing the experience of our senses. The company has created three full-length works and has been commissioned by the likes of Spectrum Dance Theater, Shakespeare Theatre Company, Portland Institute for Contemporary Art, Bates Dance Festival and New York Live Arts. A Crack in Everything was made over a span of two years and included production residencies at On the Boards in Seattle and MacDowell Colony in New Hampshire.

zoejuniper.com | sfuwoodwards.ca

January 15−16←

FEI & MILTON WONG EXPERIMENTAL THEATRE, GOLDCORP CENTRE FOR THE ARTS, 149 WEST HASTINGS STREET

- → 8 PM (70 MIN, NO INTERMISSION)
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PHOTO: JUNIPER SHUEY



RIDE THE CYCLONE

A high school chamber choir from Uranium, Saskatchewan perishes in a freak roller-coaster accident, and the Amazing Karnack, a mechanized fortune-teller, feels responsible. To make amends, he brings the teens back to life to sing about their thwarted dreams and desires in one final concert. Created by Victoria's Atomic Vaudeville, the wildly imaginative and darkly hilarious *Ride the Cyclone* is already being lauded as a contemporary musical masterpiece.

With morbidly comic and unforgettable numbers like "Space Age Bachelor Man" and "Sugar Clouds," Atomic Vaudeville skillfully mixes a range of musical styles embracing cabaret, hip-hop, gospel and Broadway. Winner of the 2012 Dora Award for Outstanding Touring Production, *Ride the Cyclone* has been hailed as "a work of pure genius...a dark and delicious carnival of lost souls" (*The Vancouver Sun*).

» Probably the most uproarious and outrageous piece of musical theatre Canada has ever produced « THE GLOBE AND MAIL

Atomic Vaudeville has developed a cult-like following with a spirited young audience for their long-running monthly cabaret show in Victoria, BC. Founded by **Britt Small** and **Jacob Richmond** in 2004, their award-winning productions (including *Legoland*, *The Qualities of Zero* and *Circus Fire*) have toured to Toronto, Seattle, Bellingham, Prague, New York, Victoria and Vancouver.

ridethecyclonemusical.com | artsclub.com

January 17-February 16←

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Borrow a book, discover a person.

Enter the Vancouver Public Library's Central Library and head up to level three where a special PuSh Festival circulation desk will register you with your own Human Library card and offer to lend you one of thirty possible human books. In choosing from titles like "Drag Queen," "Occupy Activist" and "Refugee," you'll sign one out and be connected to the person behind that title. A one-on-one informal conversation will begin and the rest is up to you.

The Human Library initiative is an international phenomenon, started in Copenhagen as a project to fight hate in communities. It is designed to promote dialogue, reduce prejudice and encourage understanding. By connecting people who under normal circumstances might not have had a chance to just sit down and talk, the library enables groups to break down stereotypes by challenging common prejudices in a positive and humorous manner.

»A paper book exists in the finite space of printed text and internalized reading. A human book, however, exists in the real four-dimensional scope of human experience. The reader can't skip bits or neglect their book, a human book requires fixed attention and, through that intimate engagement with another's story, invites empathy through real human engagement. « INTERFACE

Human Library was started by a group of five individuals who founded the organization **Stop The Violence** after a brutal attack on a mutual friend. The first Human Library was held in Denmark in 2000 and the concept has since gained huge popularity and momentum. Over the past 12 years in over 65 countries, thousands of "human books" have connected with "readers" of all walks of life.

humanlibrary.org | grunt.ca

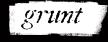
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CÉDRIC ANDRIEUX

JÉRÔME BEL (PARIS, FRANCE) ←

The slyly brilliant work of Jérôme Bel returns to Vancouver with a beautifully spare and poetic evening of dance and autobiographical storytelling, created in collaboration with, and performed by, French dancer Cédric Andrieux. Reflecting on a rich career that included eight rigorous years with Merce Cunningham Dance Company, Andrieux gives a rare, moving and humorous insider's view into a dancer's life, performing extracts of work by major choreographers including Cunningham, Trisha Brown and Philippe Tréhet.

Cédric Andrieux is the most recent in a series of insightful portraits that centre on the lives of preeminent dancers. Others in the series include: Véronique Doisneau of the corps de ballet of the Paris Opéra (2004); Isabel Torres, ballerina of the Teatro Municipal of Rio de Janeiro (2005) and Pichet Klunchun, a Thai classical dance artist (2005).

» The passage in which Andrieux enacts Cunningham's requests and his own responses is breathtaking... This section shows us dance from the inside. " THE NEW YORK TIMES

Paris-based choreographer Jérôme Bel has become something of a legend in the Vancouver dance scene following Pichet Klunchun and myself (VIDF 2009) and The Show Must Go On (PuSh 2010). His provocative, ironic and anti-theatrical productions have garnered both controversy and acclaim worldwide.

jeromebel.fr | thedancecentre.ca

January 18−20←

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- 8 PM (80 MIN, NO INTERMISSION)
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MARIANO PENSOTTI (BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA) 👝

What stories simmer just beneath the surface of the public spaces that we dwell in? What characters are the strangers we brush shoulders with? What characters are we?

Mariano Pensotti's ingeniously voyeuristic work Sometimes I think, I can see you places writers in public spaces and uses them as literary surveillance cameras. Over the three weekends of the 2013 PuSh Festival, a number of Vancouver writers will be stationed in the lobby of the Vancouver Art Gallery and the atrium of the Vancouver Public Library equipped with laptops connected to projection screens. Their directive? To write a live account of whatever it is they see—or imagine they see—in these urban surroundings. Through the eyes and minds of various writers, speculations unfold, narratives are woven and the anonymous individuals around us become implicated in a series of beautifully spontaneous fictions.

» Pensotti has a fine facility with irony, with the fine balance between comedy and tragedy« BRITISH THEATRE GUIDE

Argentinean artist Mariano Pensotti is known internationally as one of the foremost directors in contemporary theatre. His work El pasado es un animal grotesco was presented on a revolving stage in the Fei & Milton Wong Experimental Theatre at PuSh 2012, and his work La Marea was presented outdoors in the streets of Gastown at PuSh 2011.

marianopensotti.com | contemporaryartgallery.ca | playwrightstheatre.com | vanartgallery.ca

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TURNING POINT ENSEMBLE (VANCOUVER, CANADA) ⇐

Music and film, a live conversation.

Bringing together an eclectic mix of groundbreaking artists, musicians and filmmakers, Cinema Musica is a live conversation between music and film—navigating compromise, exchange and inspiration between disciplines. The program features a live synchronized arrangement of **Arnold Schoenberg**'s accompaniment to the film *Pursuit, Fear, Catastrophe*: Ruskin BC by one of Vancouver's most internationally respected visual artists Stan Douglas, alongside influential works by pioneer filmmakers Joris Ivens (1898-1989) and Stan Brakhage (1933-2003). A cornerstone of the program will be two premieres—one by composer and Turning Point Ensemble clarinetist François Houle working with West Coast video artists David and Hi-Jin Hodge, and one by Vancouver visual artist Judy Radul. Both new works will speak to the spirited artistic negotiation between live music and moving image, from the point of view of the musician and visual artist respectively.

» Conductor Owen Underhill has made Vancouver's newest new-music ensemble a marvel of empathetic precision. « THE GEORGIA STRAIGHT

Turning Point Ensemble is a large chamber group with a core of 17 of Vancouver's most highly skilled instrumentalists. Known for its outstanding musicianship, the ensemble was awarded the Rio Tinto Alcan Performing Arts Award in Music (2011), the largest production prize for music in Canada. Turning Point has a mandate to increase the understanding and appreciation of music composed during the past hundred years, linking 20th century repertoire to contemporary works through thoughtful programming, innovative presentations and daring multidisciplinary performances.

turningpointensemble.ca | sfuwoodwards.ca

January 20←

FEI & MILTON WONG EXPERIMENTAL THEATRE, GOLDCORP CENTRE FOR THE ARTS, 149 WEST HASTINGS STREET

- 2 PM & 8 PM (2 HR 30 MIN, INCLUDES INTERMISSION)
- TICKETS: \$35 | \$33 | \$10 TURNINGPOINTENSEMBLE.CA

SERVICE CHARGES APPLY. ELIGIBLE FOR PUSH PASS ACCESS.

Co-Artistic Directors JEREMY BERKMAN, OWEN UNDERHILL

Musicians

BRENDA FEDORUK, FLUTE • DAVID OWEN, OBOE • FRANÇOIS HOULE, CLARINET • CAROLINE GAUTHIER, BASS CLARINET • INGRID CHIANG, BASSOON & CONTRABASSOON • BENJAMIN KINSMAN, HORN • MARCUS GODDARD, TRUMPET JEREMY BERKMAN, TROMBONE • HEIDI KRUTZEN, HARP • JANE HAYES, PIANO · VERN GRIFFITHS, PERCUSSION · MARC DESTRUBÉ, VIOLIN · MARY SOKOL BROWN, VIOLIN · MARCUS TAKIZAWA, VIOLA · ARIEL BARNES, CELLO · DAVID **BROWN**, BASS • **OWEN UNDERHILL**, CONDUCTOR

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ANA SOKOLOVIC'S SVADBA/WEDDING

MUSIC ON MAIN (VANCOUVER, CANADA) ←

Discover the unforgettable sound world of Ana Sokolovic's Svadba/Wedding.

Svadba is a stunning and intoxicating showcase for six female voices. This a cappella opera takes place the night before a wedding, as girlfriends prepare the bride-to-be for her impending marriage.

New York's *Opera News* says *Svadba* is "dazzlingly inventive, recalling in its vitality and tangy harmonies the kind of folk music popularized by Le Mystere des Voix Bulgares." *The Toronto Star* calls Sokolovic's intoxicating mix of Serbian folk song melodies, contemporary music sounds, and incessant rhythmic pulse "brimming with imagination."

Belgrade-born, Montreal-based **Ana Sokolovic** is hailed internationally as one of Canada's most important composers. Hot on the heels of this Queen of Puddings Music Theatre production winning Toronto's Dora Award for Outstanding New Musical/Opera, *Svadba* is touring across Europe and Canada, culminating in this two-night only concert presentation in Vancouver.

Music on Main has become a mainstay in the artistic fabric of Vancouver, praised by the UK's *Gramophone Magazine* for programming that "provides western Canada with one of the finest windows onto the post-classical scene." With their commitment to top-flight musicians and innovative concert formats, Music on Main has collaborated with the PuSh Festival on sold-out hits like *Steve Reich's Drumming* (2009), *So Percussion* (2010), *Terminal City Soundscape* (2011) and *Eve Egoyan Plays Simple Lines of Enquiry* (2012).

musiconmain.ca

January 21–22 ←

HERITAGE HALL 3102 MAIN STREET

8 PM (60 MIN, NO INTERMISSION)

→ BAR OPENS AT 7 PM, MUSIC STARTS AT 8 PM
BAR STAYS OPEN AFTERWARD

TICKETS \$35 | \$15

MUSIC ON MAIN.CA | 604.879.9888

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COMPOSER ANA SOKOLOVIC
SINGERS LAURA ALBINO, CARLA HUHTANEN, ANDREA
LUDWIG, SHANNON MERCER, ELIZABETH TURNBULL,
JACQUELINE WOODLEY
MUSIC DIRECTOR DÁIRINE NI MHEADHRA
PERCUSSION JOHN HESS
PRODUCER NATHALIE BONJOUR

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BOCA DEL LUPO (VANCOUVER, CANADA) ←

THOMAS SMITH

Drawn from the real life accounts of conflict photographers, Boca del Lupo examines the juxtapositions and internal struggles that many photogs experience between foreign soil and home turf; between privilege and suffering; between disconnect and belonging; between war and peace. Using verbatim text from interviews with award-winning war photographers and international journalists, the performance combines computer animation, video and physical theatre to uncover the occupational hazards that come with documenting humanity at its worst. Photog provides us with a glimpse into unfamiliar territory, and a deeper sense of empathy and understanding between our own lives and the lives of those we see in the news every day.

» ...dazzling—almost Robert Lepagian in vision. This is a compelling production that is immense in both topic and scale. « ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE

As one of Vancouver's most innovative and dynamic theatre companies, Boca del Lupo specializes in experimental theatrical productions and spectacular outdoor presentations while focusing on collaborations with international, national and regional artists. Led by Jay Dodge and Sherry J Yoon, Boca del Lupo brought La Marea to the streets of Gastown during PuSh 2011.

This performance is dedicated to Tim Hetherington, an important contributor to this work who was tragically killed in April of 2011 while covering the conflict in Libya. See page 41 for details on a free screening of Hetherington's documentary Restrepo prior to the Jan 23 performance of Photog.

bocadellupo.com | sfuwoodwards.ca

January 22-26←

STUDIO T, GOLDCORP CENTRE FOR THE ARTS 149 WEST HASTINGS STREET

- → 8 PM (75 MIN, NO INTERMISSION)
- → MATINEE JAN 26, 4 PM
- POST-SHOW TALKBACK JAN 23, LED BY MARVIN WESTWOOD
- PRE-SHOW SCREENING OF THE FILM RESTREPO JAN 23, 6 PM (FREE) DJAVAD MOWAFAGHIAN CINEMA AT GOLDCORP **CENTRE FOR THE ARTS**
- → INTERACTIVE VIDEO INSTALLATION: SLEEPING SOLDIERS, JAN 15-26 (FREE) FEI & MILTON WONG EXPERIMENTAL THEATRE, LOBBY
- TICKETS: ADVANCE \$27-33 | DOOR \$29-35 TICKETSTONIGHT.CA | 604.684.2787

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RESTREPO SUPPORTED BY SFU'S VANCITY OFFICE OF COMMUNITY

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ENCORE

Back on stage due to popular demand, *Encore* is a diverse program that revives three eminent works in the Ballet BC repertoire. Virtuosic in nature and vibrantly musical, iconoclastic choreographer **William Forsythe**'s *Herman Schmerman* is a riveting example of his dynamic signature style, set to music by Dutch composer Thom Willems. Finnish choreographer **Jorma Elo**'s *1st Flash* brings a searing freshness and "pure choreographic wow" (*The Georgia Straight*) to Sibelius's famous violin concerto. Powerful and poetic, **Medhi Walersk**i's *Petite Cérémonie* is a full-company piece inspired by the idea of 'life in a box.' Exploring a range of dimensions, it culminates in a surprising mix of dance and theatre that pulls audiences into a dazzling landscape of movement and ideas.

» Unpredictable ...dreamlike—a delirious mix of everything «
THE GEORGIA STRAIGHT

Founded in 1986 and led by Artistic Director **Emily Molnar**, **Ballet BC** is an internationally acclaimed collaborative and interactive contemporary ballet company that is a leader and resource in the creation, production and education of contemporary ballet. Ballet BC consists of a select group of 17 dancers with exceptional classical and contemporary dance training who are uniquely individual for their artistry, dynamic movement, intelligence and passion.

balletbc.com

January 24-26←

QUEEN ELIZABETH THEATRE 649 CAMBIE STREET

- > 8 PM (1 HR 50 MIN, WITH INTERMISSION)
- → PRE-SHOW TALK EACH NIGHT AT 6:30 PM
- → FREE BALLET BC ARTIST SALON,
 JAN 17 6:30-7:30 PM AT THE DANCE CENTRE.
- → TICKETS: \$22.25-\$70 AT TICKETMASTER
 TICKETMASTER.CA | 1.855.985.ARTS (2787)

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Herman Schmerman

CHOREOGRAPHYWILLIAMFORSYTHE • MUSICTHOMWILLEMS 1st Flash

CHOREOGRAPHY JORMA ELO • MUSIC JEAN SIBELIUS Petite Cérémonie

CHOREOGRAPHY MEDHI WALERSKI • MUSIC WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART, GIACOMO PUCCINI, ANTONIO VIVALDI

DANCERS ALEXANDER BURTON, DARREN DEVANEY, DARIO DINUZZI, LIVONA ELLIS, ALEXIS FLETCHER, MAGGIE FORGERON, ALYSON FRETZ, CONNOR GNAM, DANIEL MARSHALSAY, RACHEL MEYER, RACHEAL PRINCE, GILBERT SMALL, PETER SMIDA, MAKAILA WALLACE. • GUEST ARTIST THIBAUT EIFERMAN • APPRENTICES EMILY CHESSA, KIERA HILL, SCOTT FOWLER

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TESTAMENT

Belated preparations for a new generation based on Lear.

Better thou, hadst not been born than not t' have pleased me better. (KING LEAR ACT 1, SCENE 1)

Berlin-based performance collective She She Pop skillfully lays bare the modern realities of aging and parenthood in Testament—a frank, tender, and brutally honest deconstruction of Shakespeare's King Lear. Standing on stage with their real-life fathers, they confront the issues of legal successions, hereditary diseases, home care plans, gas receipts and the overbearing sense of guilt behind their own paternal relationships. Chosen in 2011 as one of Germany's top ten productions for the prestigious Berliner Theatertreffen (Berlin), this absurd and touching story speaks to complicated generational trade-offs and bartered deals between father and daughter that inevitably go sour.

» Rarely do the great questions of life present themselves on stage so spirited and full of feeling, so touching and allusive.... Absolutely remarkable.« NEW ZURICH TIMES

She She Pop, a collective of six women and one man, create theatre for the stage, conference tables, ballrooms, campfires and candlelit blind dates. Their work focuses on responsibility, risk and the engagement of audiences in a way that offers viewers a glimpse at the reality of making and participating in a work of art. This award-winning collective was founded in 1998, and travels regularly to various independent theatres and festivals internationally and throughout the German-speaking world.

sheshepop.de | sfuwoodwards.ca

January 24-26←

FEI & MILTON WONG EXPERIMENTAL THEATRE, GOLDCORP CENTRE FOR THE ARTS, 149 WEST HASTINGS

- 8 PM (2 HR, NO INTERMISSION)
- MATINEE JAN 26, 4 PM
- POST-SHOW TALK BACK JAN 25, LED BY KATHLEEN OLIVER
- TICKETS: ADVANCE \$27-33 | DOOR \$29-35 TICKETSTONIGHT.CA | 604.684.2787

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IN GERMAN WITH ENGLISH SURTITLES

CONCEPT SHE SHE POP • BY AND WITH SEBASTIAN AND JOACHIM BARK*, JOHANNA FREIBURG, FANNI AND PETER HALMBURGER, LISA LUCASSEN*, MIEKE AND MANFRED MATZKE*, ILIA AND THEO PAPATHEODOROU*, BERIT STUMPF (*APPEARING ONSTAGE) • STAGE SSP UND SANDRA FOX · COSTUMES LEA SØVSØ · MUSIC CHRISTOPHER **UHE** • LIGHTING **SVEN NICHTERLEIN** SOUND **FLORIAN** FISCHER • ASSISTANT AND DRAMATURGICAL ADVICE KAJA **JAKSTAT** • PRODUCTION AND PR **EHRLICHE ARBEIT - FREIES KULTURBÜRO** • ADMINISTRATION **ELKE WEBER**

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HAPTIC + HOLISTIC STRATA

HIROAKI UMEDA/S20 (TOKYO, JAPAN) ←

Hiroaki Umeda is one of Japan's most exciting artists, bringing together light, sound and movement with astonishing force and style. Haptic plays with the sensation of colour, drenching the stage in layers of red, blue and purple, framing Umeda's constantly moving body. In Holistic Strata he is bathed in pinpoints of light, swaying with and against a torrential flow of racing light particles, creating an impact that is both disorientating and spellbinding.

- "What I want," Umeda says, "is to transmit sensations, rather than messages, to the audience." Combining sound and lighting effects with a distinctive dance vocabulary that draws on butoh, ballet, street dance and hip-hop, Umeda's visceral works are felt and experienced more than simply watched.
- » Engaging...Like a tin man with oil flowing freely through his veins, Umeda mirrors the pulsating score with an accumulation of motion « THE NEW YORK TIMES

Tokyo-based multidisciplinary artist Hiroaki Umeda is a performer, sound artist and lighting designer whose work is both sublime and violent, and very much in touch with his contemporary Japanese roots. He is the founder of \$20, and has made a name for himself touring extensively on the international dance festival circuit throughout Japan, Europe and North America. He returns to Vancouver after bringing while going to a condition + Accumulated Layout to the PuSh Festival in 2009.

hiroakiumeda.com | thedancecentre.ca | quaternaire.org

January 25−27←

SCOTIABANK DANCE CENTRE

- 8 PM (65 MIN, WITH INTERMISSION)
- POST-SHOW TALKBACK JAN 26, LED BY ROBERT GARDINER
- **TICKETS: ADVANCE \$27-33 | DOOR \$29-35** TICKETSTONIGHT.CA | 604.684.2787

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CONCEPT, CREATION, CHOREOGRAPHY AND PERFORMANCE HIROAKI UMEDA • SOUND S20 • LIGHTING S20, HERVÉ VILLECHENOUX • PRODUCTION S20 • COPRODUCTION THÉATRE DE NÎMES; FESTIVAL D'AUTOMNE À PARIS • ASSOCIATE PRODUCTION SARAH FORD / QUATERNAIRE

Holistic Strata

CONCEPT, CREATION, CHOREOGRAPHY AND PERFORMANCE HIROAKI
UMEDA • MANDATED BY YCAM (YAMAGUCHI CENTER FOR ARTS AND MEDIA) • CO-DEVELOPED WITH YCAM INTERLAB • SOUND AND VISUAL PROGRAMMING: YCAM, S20 • PRODUCTION S20 • ASSOCIATE PRODUCTION SARAH FORD / QUATERNAIRE

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PROJET IN SITU (LYON, FRANCE) ←

Do You See What I Mean? invites you—the spectator—to experience Vancouver in a radically new fashion, turning the routine of daily life into an extraordinary journey of heightened senses and transformed perceptions. Created by Lyon-based choreographers Martin Chaput and Martial Chazallon, this captivating piece of one-on-one theatre is a two-and-a-half hour blindfolded tour into the streets, storefronts and secret spaces of our city. Do You See What I Mean? is a deeply transformative work wherein spectators' everyday worldviews are radically re-positioned in an emotional and interpersonal manner.

»The idea is simple yet brilliant and it allows you to encounter the city differently: to listen, to feel, to love it again. What is the world like without our vision? The project by Chaput/Chazallon prefers to pose questions rather than offer neat answers. It's better like that...«

LES INROCKUPTIBLES

Projet in situ examines the intimate and collective memories of the body, questioning our connection to the environment, to others and to ourselves. Following critically acclaimed productions in Paris, Marseille, Lyon, Montreal and Geneva, artists Martin Chaput and Martial Chazallon have been visiting Vancouver over the past two years and through a number of creative residencies have constructed a Vancouver-specific production of *Do You See What I Mean?*

Please note This is a one-on-one performance that has audience members blindfolded for the entire duration of the piece, accompanied by a trained guide. Ages 18+ only, must be comfortable walking at a leisurely pace for 2.5 hours, with some stairs. Reservations are individual appointments with guides; latecomers will not be admitted. Wear comfortable, weather-appropriate shoes and clothing. Do not bring bags or helmets. Transit is the best way to arrive for this performance, as the undisclosed ending point (near a popular transit hub) will be approximately 2km away from Access Gallery.

projet-insitu.com | urban-crawl.com

January 25–27 February 1–3←

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ACCESS GALLERY, 222 EAST GEORGIA STREET

→ DEPARTURES EVERY 15 MINUTES STARTING AT 12 PM, WITH THE LAST DEPARTURE AT 4:45 PM (2 HR, 30 MIN)

→ TICKETS: ADVANCE \$31-37 | DOOR \$33-39 PUSHFESTIVAL.CA | 604.605.8284 EX 210 DYSWIMTICKETS@PUSHFESTIVAL.CA

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CHAZALLON • WITH DELIA BRETT, ALEX FERGUSON,
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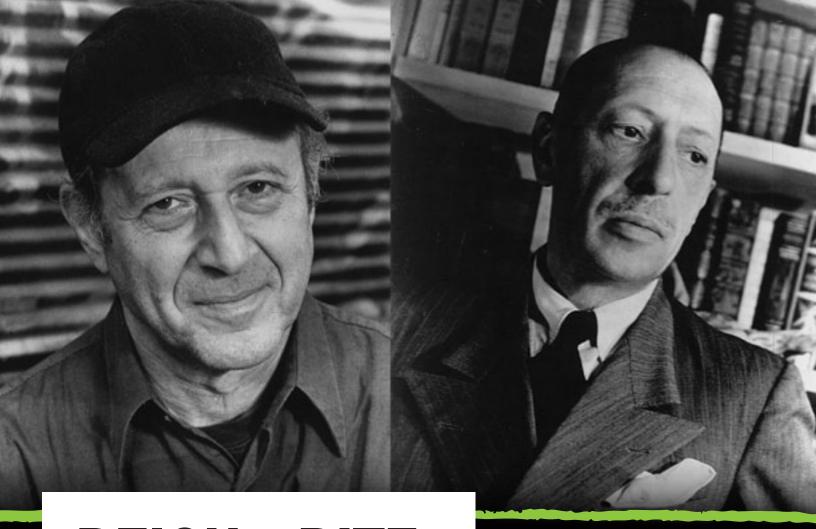








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REICH+RITE WITH PIANIST VICKY CHOW

MUSIC ON MAIN (VANCOUVER, CANADA) ←

Don't miss pianist **Vicky Chow** (Bang on a Can All-Stars, Contagious Sounds) when she returns to Vancouver with a brilliant, tour de force programme: **Igor Stravinsky**'s *Rite of Spring*, the North American premiere performance of Steve Reich's Piano Counterpoint and a raucous gathering of musicians for Louis Andriessen's Workers Union.

2013 marks the 100th anniversary of the premiere of *Rite of Spring*, a piece that caused riots at its premiere and influenced generations of composers, including Steve Reich and Louis Andriessen.

Join in the celebrations of Stravinsky's Rite and witness a live performance of a new work from Reich, whom The New Yorker calls "the most original musical thinker of our time."

You'll also experience another riot of a piece: the Music on Main All-Star Band joins Vicky Chow for a reading of Andriessen's Workers Union. It's propulsive music filled with precise, hard-driving rhythms that melds individual freedom with exacting discipline.

Music on Main has been hailed for realizing "brilliant ideas" (Georgia Straight) with programming that has "spanned the range of human experience" (Huffington Post). Since 2009 they have presented soldout collaborations with the PuSh Festival at Heritage Hall, including performances of Steve Reich's Drumming and Four Organs.

musiconmain.ca

January 28−29←

HERITAGE HALL 3102 MAIN STREET

- 8PM (75 MIN, WITH INTERMISSION) BAR OPENS AT 7 PM, MUSIC STARTS AT 8 PM BAR STAYS OPEN AFTERWARD
- TICKETS \$35 | \$15 MUSICONMAIN.CA | 604.879.9888

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PIANO VICKY CHOW WITH THE MUSIC ON MAIN ALL-STAR BAND

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STEVE REICH PHOTO: ALICE ARNOLD



STILL STANDING YOU

Still standing you. [or] Still supporting you. [or] Still bearing you. [or] Still standing for you. [or] Still standing with you. [or] Still standing. [or] Just still.

The incendiary Belgian-Portuguese duo Pieter Ampe and Guilherme Garrido burst on to the European dance scene five years ago, and they have toured internationally to wild acclaim ever since. *Still Standing You* tests the limits of friendship, rivalry and their own bodies in a rough-and-tumble montage of dance, gymnastics and wrestling. Daring, discomfiting and darkly hilarious, this is an astounding take on masculinity, aggression and tenderness.

Are they friends, lovers, brothers or rivals? Impossible to say, but through these power struggles and acts of rebellion, the two find the far reaches of their physical limits, their comfort zones and the strength of their bond.

»To say that this contemporary dance piece is memorable is an understatement: you can't forget watching two naked men manipulate each other's penises in a game of one-upmanship. « THE GLOBE AND MAIL

"Partners in crime" by their own admission, the Belgian **Pieter Ampe** and the Portuguese **Guilherme Garrido** are artists who have developed a dance idiom entirely their own, distinct from anything else going on in the contemporary dance world. *Still Standing You* was created while the two were in residency at the **CAMPO** arts centre in Ghent, following *Still Difficult Duet*—their first choreographic encounter in 2007.

campo.nu | thedancecentre.ca

January 29–30, February 1–2 ←

SCOTIABANK DANCE CENTRE 677 DAVIE STREET

- → 8PM (60 MIN, NO INTERMISSION)
- → POST-SHOW TALKBACK JAN 30, LED BY ALEX FERGUSON
- → TICKETS: ADVANCE \$27-33 | DOOR \$29-35 TICKETSTONIGHT.CA | 604.684.2787

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THE STRANGE UNDOING OF PRUDENCIA HART

This undoing story could begin, at the moment Prudence realizes the trouble she's in; or the moment with the burning water, or the moment when the devil caught her; or the moment when the clocks all stopped, or the moment when the midwife dropped; the babe Prudencia into the arms of a mother, who obviously preferred her older brother...

Pull up a chair and wet your whistle for an evening of anarchic theatre and live music at East Vancouver's own WISE Hall. The perfect winterwarmer, be swept along on Prudencia's enchanting dreamlike journey of self discovery, filled with magical moments, devilish encounters and wittily wild karaoke.

The Strange Undoing of Prudencia Hart, told entirely in rhyming couplets, takes theatre into pubs and other unlikely venues, where stories are told, re-told, sung and passed on. So now is the time to share a lock-in with the National Theatre of Scotland's company of actors and musicians. Indulge in an evening of supernatural storytelling, music and theatre inspired by the Border Ballads, Robert Burns and the poems of Robert Service.

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January 29 – February 2←

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- → 8 PM (2 HR, WITH INTERMISSION)
- → MATINEE FEB 2, 2 PM
- → POST-SHOW TALKBACK JAN 30, LED BY PATTI ALLAN
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I. MALVOLIO

Look at you, sitting there with your bellies full of pop and pickled herring. Go on. Laugh at the funny man. Laugh. Make the funny man cry...

Tim Crouch re-imagines Twelfth Night through the eyes of Shakespeare's most pent-up steward. I, Malvolio is a wild, hilarious and unsettling rant from a man 'notoriously wronged.' After falling victim to a forged love letter leading to accusations of madness, a pair of ridiculous yellow stockings and ultimately no recompense for his sufferings—one of dramatic literature's most misunderstood characters will finally have his say. Part abject clown, part theatre-hating disciplinarian, Malvolio asks his audience to explore the pleasure we take in other people's suffering. This is a show for anyone who has ever been told off, called a name or has fallen in love with the wrong person.

» Fresh, funny, poignant and thought-provoking... his finest work todate. « THE TELEGRAPH

Tim Crouch is an internationally renowned UK theatre artist based in Brighton. He's also a regular at the PuSh Festival: My Arm and An Oak Tree (2007) and ENGLAND (2009). I, Malvolio is the fifth of his solo Shakespeare plays that appeal to both adults and teens (11+), following I, Caliban, I, Peaseblossom, I, Banquo and I, Cinna (The Poet). Crouch writes, "Twelfth Night is a fiendish maze of plot. Rather than trying to explain every twist and turn, I have let Malvolio run a little free. Maybe it's what he would have wanted."

timcrouchtheatre.co.uk | thecultch.com

January 30 – February 10 \leftarrow

THE CULTCH HISTORIC THEATRE 1895 VENABLES STREET

- 8 PM (60 MIN, NO INTERMISSION)
- MATINEE FEB 10 2 PM, NO SHOW FEB 4
- POST-SHOW TALKBACK JAN 31, LED BY STEPHEN HEATLEY
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WRITTEN AND PERFORMED BY TIM CROUCH ORIGINAL DESIGN GRAEME GILMOUR DESIGN ASSISTANCE LUCY BRADRIDGE AND **EMMA WREYFORD** DIRECTION ASSISTANCE KARL JAMES AND A SMITH ADMINISTRATIVE PRODUCER LISA WOLFE

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WINNERS AND LOSERS

Theatre artists and long-time friends Marcus Youssef and James Long sit at a table and play a game they made up, called "winners and losers." In it, they name people, places or things— Pam Anderson, microwave ovens, their fathers, Goldman Sachs, Mexico, etc.—and debate whether they are winners or losers. As each one seeks to defeat the other, the debate becomes personal as they dissect each other's individual, familial and class histories. And because one of these men is the product of economic privilege, and the other is not, the competition very quickly adds up.

Winners and Losers is a conversation that embraces the ruthless logic of capitalism, and tests its impact on our closest personal relationships and our most intimate experiences of self.

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Founded in 2003, Theatre Replacement builds performances that react to contemporary existence. Neworld Theatre uses popular forms to examine our lives in the context of who counts, who doesn't and what our relationship is to the people we may think we aren't. Crow's Theatre creates unforgettable theatre that examines and illuminates the pivotal narratives of our times.

» Vancouverites ought to be happy to know that some such artists are thriving in our own backyard. « $\,$ The Westender on Neworld Theatre

theatrereplacement.org | neworldtheatre.com | crowstheatre.com | sfuwoodwards.ca

January 30 – February 2 \leftarrow

STUDIO T, GOLDCORP CENTRE FOR THE ARTS 149 WEST HASTINGS STREET

- → 8 PM (90 MIN, NO INTERMISSION)
- → MATINEE FEB 2, 2 PM
- → POST-SHOW TALKBACK JAN 31, LED BY TOM SCHOLTE
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KING LEAR

CONTEMPORARY LEGEND THEATER (TAIPEI, TAIWAN) ←

As flies to wanton boys are we to the gods; They kill us for their sport. KING LEAR ACT 1, SCENE 4, 36-37

This is King Lear as you have never experienced it before: **Wu Hsing-Kuo** of Taiwan's Contemporary Legend Theater has created a tour de force solo performance that fuses time-honoured Peking Opera techniques with Shakespeare's classic tale of great power and cruel deception. This fascinating adaptation has been praised around the world for its blend of Eastern and Western theatrical forms, as well as for its revealing insight into one of Shakespeare's most celebrated tragedies.

After the aging king decides to split his kingdom among his daughters, he experiences disillusionment and decline when their true natures are revealed. Wu Hsing-Kuo transitions flawlessly between each character in this athletic and virtuosic telling of a tortured king's descent into madness. Distilled into a series of vignettes, *King Lear* is backed by a nine-person instrumental ensemble that creates a soundscape echoing the styles of both traditional and contemporary Chinese music.

» Remarkable...a probing psychological study of wavering identity« THE NEW YORK TIMES

Contemporary Legend Theater (CLT) was founded in Taiwan in 1986 to integrate traditional Chinese opera, which at the time was on the decline, with modern theatre. Constantly subverting expectations and preconceptions about Peking Opera, CLT has become known worldwide for their bold, contemporary aesthetic that has been called "one of the best blends of eastern and western techniques" *The Guardian*.

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January 17−19←

THE ROUNDHOUSE, 181 ROUNDHOUSE MEWS

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January 31–February 2←

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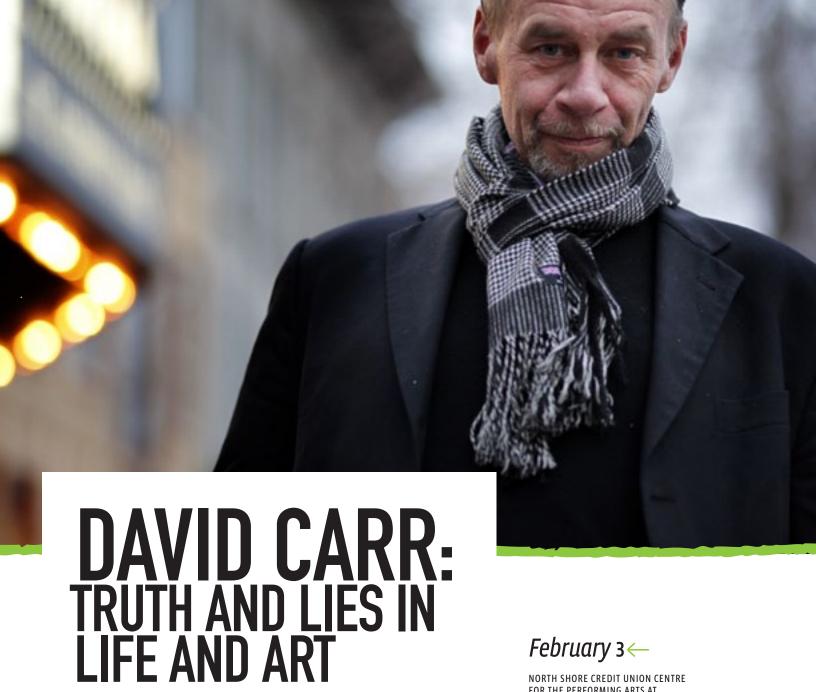
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DAVID CARR (NEW YORK, USA)

With a 25-year career writing about media and how it intersects with business, culture and government, New York Times columnist David Carr talks about the blurring of lines between fact and fiction in life and in art. He dealt with the vagaries of memory in his 2008 autobiography The Night of the Gun, detailing his recovery from cocaine addiction. He employed his background as a journalist to interview people associated with his past to rebuild his missing years. Carr is also featured in the fascinating documentary Page One: Inside the New York Times (2011), giving unprecedented access to the newsroom of the esteemed institution at a pivotal time in its history.

» The Night of the Gun is about as dark and murky as dark and murky get. And though it is one of the most eloquent accounts of the seduction and snare of addiction, what's gotten lost in the water-cooler discussion about Carr's misadventures—including drug peddling as well as his bout with cancer—is that this book, in its sharp, serrated prose, is a meditation on how memory works (but mostly how it doesn't), a man's obsessive effort to get at his life's true narrative using the skills he's honed as a reporter, the one piece of his life that didn't combust. « L.A. TIMES

This lecture is part of the Pacific Arbour Speaker Series at Capilano University and will be moderated by **David Beers**, founding editor of *The Tyee* and past senior editor at The Vancouver Sun, Mother Jones and the San Francisco Examiner.

capilanou.ca

February 3←

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PuSh showcases live music and other cuttingedge entertainment. Highlights this year include the daring pop stylings of **e.s.l.**, the danceable mashups of **DJ Jef Leppard** and many more. Tickets for Late Nights at Club PuSh are only \$10 after 9:45PM (at the door only), and PuSh passholders get in for FREE. Visit pushfestival.ca/clubpush for full details and a complete listing of events.

WEEK 1

HOST A TABLE AT CLUB PUSH

Most Friday and Saturday nights at 10PM, Club Think Rat Pack. You and five friends head out for a great night on the town. Upon your arrival at the Club, you are ushered to the best table in the house where a bottle of wine and some hors d'oeuvres await you, along with dedicated table service all night long. Host a table at Club PuSh for \$500 and get the star treatment (includes a \$300 tax receipt).

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THE GOD THAT COMES: WITH HAWKSLEY WORKMAN

JANUARY 16-18, 8PM | \$33

The God that Comes is an original one-man-band cabaret-rock-&-roll hybrid show featuring Juno award-winner Hawksley Workman. Hailed in the Toronto Star for its "incredible instrumental virtuosity" and "slashing sardonic wit," it tells the story of a king whose subjects revolt against his oppressive rule to worship the Greco-Roman god of wine Bacchus (aka Dionysus) in a hedonistic spiritual revolution. This concept album for the stage, created with 2b theatre company's Christian Barry, is a work-in-progress that fuses the chaotic revelry of a rock concert with the intimacy of theatrical storytelling. A 2b theatre company production. "Oozing mischievous charisma...close to perfection."

VICTORIA TIMES-COLONIST.

hawksleyworkman.com | 2btheatre.com

HERALD NIX, PROUD ANIMAL & TWIN RIVER

JANUARY 19, 9PM | \$18

Herald Nix introduces you to his demons down at the crossroads where country noir rocks with the glassy-eyed blues in the all-music night at Club PuSh. Part of the Vancouver scene for decades before moving to Salmon Arm, the esteemed songwriter is back in town with some new tunes—think Hank Williams or Lefty Frizzell with fangs and a distortion pedal. Vancouver's Twin River kicks off the evening with harmony laden indie-rock that "shimmers without sounding over-polished" (Exclaim Magazine) and Barbara Adler and Gavin Youngash's Proud Animal rounds out the night with a set of sweet-tempered anthems and brash rock-outs.

STOOD

JANUARY 20, 7PM | \$25

PREMIERE A road trip that began as an attempt at father/daughter bonding became a psychologically tortuous trap from which **Jan Derbyshire** managed to escape—with some hilarious new material. Revelations about her past as one of Canada's first female talents on the grueling Yuk Yuk's Comedy circuit, insights into the politics of parents and sexual identity and stand-up experiments ready for testing at Club PuSh, make *Stood* a real trip in comic performance. **janderbyshire.com**

TOP – HAWKSLEY WORKMAN PHOTO: BLAKE SITTER. CLOCKWISE FROM LEFT – HERALD NIX PHOTO: JAMES MURRAY, TWIN RIVER PHOTO: MICHELLE FORD, JAN DERBYSHIRE PHOTO: GREGORY CROW, PROUD ANIMAL PHOTO: TONY HOARE







LOOK MUMMY, I'M DANCING

JANUARY 23-25, 8PM | \$29

Sixty-four-year-old Belgian theatre artist Vanessa Van Durme tells her extraordinary true story in Look Mummy, I'm Dancing—a candid and honest account of her life that started as a little boy and the journey she underwent as one of the pioneering transsexuals of her time. Equal parts hilarious and touching, Vanessa's story speaks to acceptance, humility and having the strength to stay true to yourself against all odds. » There's no resisting the mixture of sharp intelligence, raunchy humour, and inner sweetness of spirit « THE SCOTSMAN

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WINNIPEG BABYSITTER

JANUARY 26, 8PM | \$29

In the late 70s and throughout the 80s, Winnipeg experienced a 'golden age' of public access television whereby almost anyone with a creative dream was granted airtime and professional production services. When the archives of these precious gems were destroyed, artist Daniel Barrow went to work hunting down original producers, collectors and enthusiasts in order to salvage the footage. Part documentary and part performance project, Winnipeg Babysitter brings to light the outrageous and shameless personalities of public access television. danielbarrow.com

RYEBERG LIVE

JANUARY 27, 7PM | \$25

Hailed by The Globe and Mail for its fascinating ability to "illuminate both the art and the critic," the Canadian online magazine Ryeberg Curated Video has been publishing modern essays that incorporate YouTube videos since its launch in 2009. Ryeberg Live is what happens when Ryeberg.com goes offline and on stage in a lively "show and tell." Join authors Kevin Chong, Steven Galloway, Caroline Adderson and theatre artist Maiko Bae Yamamoto as they each present and appraise their own curated galleries of YouTube videos that inspire them. Hosted by Ryeberg Editor-In-Chief Erik Rutherford. ryeberg.com





NORTHERN SOUL, 30 CECIL STREET & A WESTERN

AN EVENING OF NEW ENGLISH PERFORMANCE, PRESENTED WITH CARAVAN

JANUARY 30-31, 8PM | \$29

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NORTHERN SOUL

Victoria Melody likes to join in. Her unusual ethnographic approach to art practice has found her living with pigeon racers and, more recently, learning to dance northern soul in stranger's living rooms. This comedic and charming performance features a treasure trove of films, photos and paraphernalia alongside the moves and music of northern soul—a type of African American soul music popularized in Northern England from the mid 60s onwards. Directed by Ursula Martinez. victoriamelody.co.uk

30 CECIL STREET

In 2009 Dan Canham (Kneehigh, DV8, Punchdrunk, Fabulous Beast) made a film in a rotting, dilapidated theatre in Limerick, Ireland. Using that film as source material, this original piece of dance-theatre is an eloquent, heartbreaking elegy for a lost and ruined theatre. A performance of fragments of memories, of wild nights and long-disappeared communities, it asks, what is left when a theatre closes its doors to the public? stillhouse.co.uk

A WESTERN

Rest assured that this, like any good western, will include: a saloon, a scene where someone walks into a bar and everyone stops talking, cowboy hats, guns, blood, cheating at cards and a long, drawn-out death scene. Join experimental UK artists Gemma Paintin and James Stenhouse of Action Hero in a performance that The Guardian praised as "a sharp, witty and poignant deconstruction of the western, soaked in tomato ketchup." actionhero.org.uk

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THE ROAD FORWARD

FEBRUARY 1, 8PM | \$29

Created and directed by Marie Clements of Red Diva Projects, The Road Forward is a multimedia musical composed by Jennifer Kreisberg that features award-winning vocal powerhouses including Michelle St. John, Cheri Maracle, Wayne Lavallee, Russell Wallace and Mwalim. Inspired by the groundbreaking movement of the Native Brother and Sisterhood of British Columbia, and dedicated to the countless First Nations women who have disappeared on BC's Highway of Tears, this blues/rock musical integrates traditional and contemporary art forms, historical media archives and interactive live performance. reddiva.ca Supported by the SFU English Department's Writer-in-Residence Program.

SAD SACK, BY NIGHT

FEBRUARY 2, 8PM | \$25

Find respite from the mopey rigour of the winter months in an evening dedicated to the expression of West Coast melancholy. Featuring words and slide shows by former host of CBC radio's Nightlines, David Wisdom, a discussion of "My Melancholy Baby" with radical psychoanalyst Andrew Feldmar, a heartbreaker of a set by Hello, Blue Roses (Dan Bejar of *Destroyer* alongside Sydney Vermont) and other surprises. This night will be one to remember, mistily. Curated by Vancouver-based





THE PUSH ASSEMBLY

JANUARY 18 - FEBRUARY 3, 2013

The PuSh Assembly is a performing arts industry initiative for sharing best practices, ideas and perspectives. The Assembly offers both local and global networking opportunities, while fostering export readiness and international market development. It's the perfect social setting to connect with colleagues from across Canada and around the world, hosted by Associate Curator Dani Fecko. Open to anyone who identifies as being part of our thriving scene of practitioners and aficionados—whether established, mid-career or emerging. Consider joining us for the visiting presenters week and accompanying PushOFF showcase, January 30 to February 3.

REGISTRATION

This year the Assembly is even more accessible with activities throughout the entire three weeks of the Festival and FREE registration. To attend any of the PuSh Assembly events, you must first register online at pushfestival.ca and then book your desired event(s). Register early—availability is limited. All Assembly events are free of charge, with the exception of the workshops: Creation with Dan Canham and 'I Confess' with Adrian Howells.

Full details at pushfestival.ca/assembly

FRI, JAN 18

DIRECTORS' BREAKFAST WITH MARIANO PENSOTTI 9:30-11AM

POP*TACTICS KEYNOTE ADDRESS 7-10PM

SAT, JAN 19

POP*TACTICS MODERATED PANEL 1-4PM

TUE, JAN 22

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ONTHEBOARDS.TV 12-3:30PM

THU, JAN 31

COCKTAIL HOUR WITH PUSHOFF 5PM

FRI, FEB

DIRECTORS' BREAKFAST WITH CHRIS ABRAHAM 9:30-11AM

SHOPTALK-THE BRITISH INVASION 5–7PM

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ASSEMBLY BRUNCH 11AM

POP*TACTICS (*PRIVATELY OWNED PUBLICS) READING THE PUBLIC



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KEYNOTE ADDRESS, JAN 18, 7-10PM | MODERATED PANEL, JAN 19, 1-4PM DJAVAD MOWAFAGHIAN CINEMA, GOLDCORP CENTRE FOR THE ARTS (149 WEST HASTINGS STREET)

»... a 'commons' is a space a population uses for satisfying its social needs; it is a space of collective independence; no one owns it, but ideally, all have use of it. It is in fact constituted by those users and uses ... « STEPHEN COLLIS, A SHOW OF HANDS: ART AND REVOLUTION IN PUBLIC SPACE, 2012

A symposium exploring the constructive disruption and rescripting of the public realm. We take for granted the complex negotiation of the public realm we encounter daily. We move through the city in ways that reveal our ease and/or marginalized experience of the 'public.' Over the past year there has been a reoccupation of the space of the city, a reclaiming of 'the commons.' The PuSh Festival Fiction(s) series raises questions of how we operate in public—the performances offer unexpected ways into the city, and challenge the norms we have laid down. POP* TACTICS is a discussion of strategies employed during, and leading up to, this moment. Curated by Annabel Vaughan. FREE, Assembly registration and booking required. Supported by the UBC School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture and SFU's Vancity Office of Community Engagement.

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Liza Fior (founding member, muf architecture/art) **MODERATED PANEL: Mariano Pensotti** (creator of *Sometimes I think, I can see you*), **Liza Fior**. Moderated by **Randy Lee Cutler**.



DIRECTORS' BREAKFASTS

THE QUALITY HOTEL-INN AT FALSE CREEK (1335 HOWE STREET), HOTEL RESTAURANT Lively and fast-paced introductions to the perspectives and practices of visiting artists. Light breakfast provided. FREE, Assembly registration and booking required.

IAN 18: Mariano Pensotti, director of Sometimes I think, I can see you, moderated by Anita Rochon.

JAN 25: Members of the She She Pop collective, creators of Testament, moderated by Maiko Bae Yamamoto.

FEB 1: Chris Abraham, director of Winners and Losers, moderated by Richard Wolfe

DIY ARTIST-LED NETWORKS WITH ACTION HERO

IAN 22, 6-10PM | FREE

CAROUSEL THEATRE (1411 CARTWRIGHT STREET, GRANVILLE ISLAND), LARGE STUDIO This workshop will explore ways in which artists can support each other through the development of artist-led networks and structures to open up space for risk-taking and collaboration. Action Hero are founding members of Residence (www.residence.org.uk)—an artist-led collective that currently occupies a disused record shop in Bristol where independent artists share space and resources. FREE, Assembly registration and booking required.

CREATION WITH DAN CANHAM

JAN 23, 11AM-2PM & JAN 24, 11AM-4PM | \$100

Dan Canham (DV8, Punchdrunk, Kneehigh and Fabulous Beast) has been building a body of work based on a documentary style of dance-theatre. Looking at what it is to move and to speak someone else's words, this workshop is geared towards dancers and other artists with a physical element to their practice and will explore playful strategies for turning found/recorded source material into fragments of performance. Admission by application only, details at pushfestival.ca/assembly.

'I CONFESS' WITH ADRIAN HOWELLS

JAN 24-26, 10AM-6PM | \$150

English artist Adrian Howells leads an intensive workshop exploring the nature of confessional performance practice and its relationship to autobiographical performance. In addition to considering issues of intimacy and risk, participants will investigate what 'acts of confession' are, and the difference between public and private confession. Through guided activities and exercises, participants will create their own microconfessional performance to share in the final afternoon. Admission by application only, details at pushfestival.ca/assembly.

ADRIAN HOWELLS PHOTO: FUEL THEATRE, ACTION HERO PHOTO: GEMMA PAINTIN, VICTORIA MELODY PHOTO: LIOUID PHOTO.

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JAN 27, 12-3:30PM | FREE

DJAVAD MOWAFAGHIAN CINEMA, GOLDCORP CENTRE FOR THE ARTS (149 WEST HASTINGS STREET) OntheBoards.tv is an on-demand website that brings professional, HDquality, feature-length contemporary performance films to a wider public. This screening is of *THE SHIPMENT* by playwright and director **Young** Jean Lee, who has created an unsettling terrain of stereotypes that dare audiences to laugh as they consider their own preconceptions about race and culture. Afterwards, join On the Boards Artistic Director Lane Czaplinski and PuSh Festival Associate Curator **Dani Fecko** for a lively discussion. FREE, Assembly registration and booking required.

COCKTAIL HOUR WITH PUSHOFF

PERFORMANCE WORKS (1218 CARTWRIGHT STREET, GRANVILLE ISLAND) The artists and producers behind PushOFF, along with visiting presenters and other participants in the PuSh Assembly gather for an informal meet-

and-greet. FREE, Assembly registration and booking required.

PushOFF is an independent, curated platform of tour-ready works and PuSh International Performing Arts Festival. Co-produced by Antonym, New Works and Theatre Replacement. antonym.ca/pushoff

SHOPTALK—THE BRITISH INVASION

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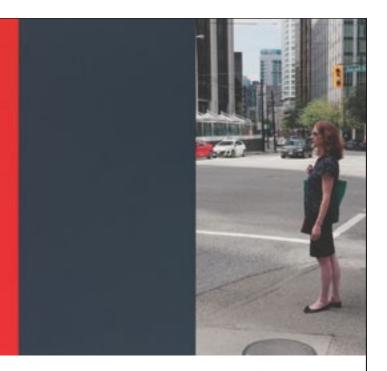


FEB 3, 11AM | FREE

THE QUALITY HOTEL-INN AT FALSE CREEK (1335 HOWE STREET), HOTEL RESTAURANT Join fellow Assembly participants for a farewell brunch, full buffet provided. FREE, Assembly registration and booking required.







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JAN 23, 6PM (93 MIN) | FREE

DJAVAD MOWAFAGHIAN CINEMA, GOLDCORP CENTRE FOR THE ARTS (149 WEST HASTINGS)

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Named for a young platoon medic killed in action, Restrepo rewrote the war film in its unyielding depiction of the raw horror of combat. Directed by Sebastian Junger and Tim Hetherington, this documentary takes us inside Afghanistan's Korengal Valley, said to be one of the deadliest places on the planet. (Film screening prior to a performance of Photog, details page 17). Supported by SFU's Vancity Office of Cultural Engagement.



JOHN SMITH: SHORTS

JAN 23, 7PM (90 MIN) | FREE

PACIFIC CINÉMATHÈQUE (1131 HOWE STREET)

PRESENTED WITH CONTEMPORARY ART GALLERY, IN ASSOCIATION WITH PACIFIC CINÉMATHÈOUE

British filmmaker Iohn Smith's work is associated with 'structural film,' an experimental and analytical approach focused on the illusionary nature of the media itself, specifically looking at its 'material' qualities such as the projected light, the film strip and the projection apparatus. The series of films shown here from the 70s and 80s include his iconic 1975 film The Girl Chewing Gum.

RESTREPO FILMMAKERS SEBASTIAN JUNGER AND TIM HETHERINGTON, PHOTO: TIM HETHERINGTON. PRODUCTION STILLS: THE GIRL CHEWING GUM (JOHN SMITH), FROM MY WINDOW, 1978–1999 (JÓZEF ROBAKOWSKI).



JÓZEF ROBAKOWSKI: MY VERY OWN

JAN 28, 7PM (60 MIN) | FREE

PACIFIC CINÉMATHÈQUE (1131 HOWE STREET)

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Józef Robakowski is a pioneer of independent Polish film. From the early 1970s he interrogated the language, material and mechanics of film, combined with a longstanding interest in conceptualist avant-garde traditions. Presented are a series of pieces produced between 1970 and 2000 including the wryly humorous From My Window, 1978-1999 (2000) shot from Robakowski's apartment.

MEET THE ARTISTS

Post-show talkbacks and pre-show talks are FREE!



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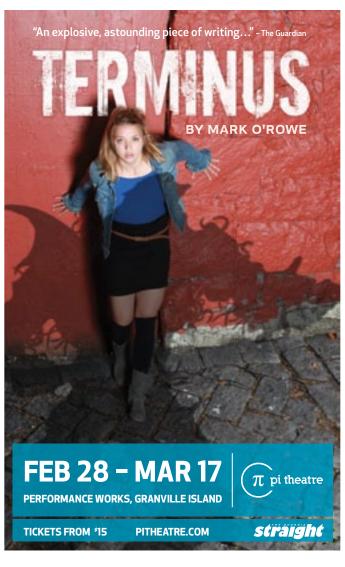
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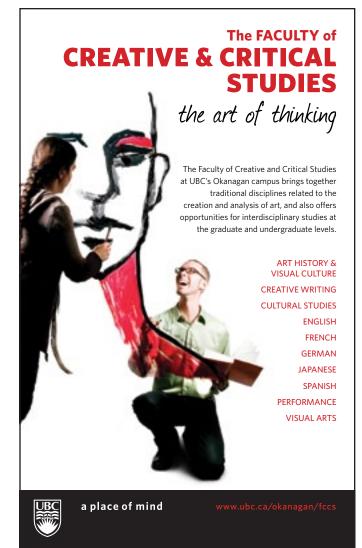
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JAN 31, 6:30PM PRE-SHOW TALK WITH JACOB RICHMOND (ARTISTIC DIRECTOR) AND BRITT SMALL (ARTISTIC PRODUCER) OF ATOMIC VAUDEVILLE

TALKBACKS WITH EDUCATORS

Inspired by the expansion of the PuSh Assembly to foster more education and engagement opportunities for artists, audiences and enthusiasts alike. Associate Curator Dani Fecko has curated a group of educators for this year's talkbacks. Come join the conversation!











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