



# **Welcome to the Contemporary Dance Festival!**

On behalf of the entire Department of Dance, we welcome you to the 2022 Contemporary Dance Festival. With 18 original dance pieces presented over two programs, the Contemporary Dance Festival is the largest presentation of dance in the 50-year history of the CSULB Department of Dance. After a year of online dance study, the 20 Festival choreographers bring to fruition over six months of arduous research and work to imagine, process, and spotlight their choreographic intentions.

Imagine for a minute going from full-contact, in-person dance classes to more than a year of online dance classes held in the miniscule boxes of Zoom...when we think back about the journey our Dance community has had over the past two years, the accomplishments of these 20 choreographers are even more exciting, astounding, and meaningful. This is our first concert experience with live audience members since November 2019, so thank you for your patience and understanding as we do all that we can to maintain the health and safety of our entire Department community. We now invite you to sit back and revel as these dance works premiere for you, whether you are watching in person or via our live stream. We look forward to seeing you in the fall semester as we anticipate returning to a four-concert season of dance performances.

Enjoy the show!

**Keith Johnson and Andrew Vaca**  
**Concert Directors**

## **program**

### **Cup Runneth Over**

Choreography  
Performers

Kendall Chatham

# Birds Pray

Choreography  
Performer  
Music

David Bernal - Fuentes  
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"Wild Geese", by Marisa Ramey, inspired by the poem titled, "Wild Geese", written by Mary Oliver. Performed by the CSULB New Music Ensemble.  
Marisa Ramey  
Ashley Kayombo  
Andrew Vaca

# Mujer Poder

Choreography  
Performers

Teresa Flores  
Breana Aguilar, Eva Anderson, Marika Brooks, Samantha Chung, Brisa Gelber, Erika Gutierrez, Cindy Lopez, Saori Maeda, Christina Morales-Grace, Jesse Ocampo  
"Soy Mujer Poder" music by Emanuel Osorio, lyrics by Teresa Flores  
Emanuel Osorio and Teresa Flores  
Deven Griffith  
Andrew Vaca

Music

Sound Design  
Costume Design  
Faculty Mentor

*Thank you to all my dancers for their time and commitment.*

# Midsummer Breeze

Choreography  
Performers

Natasha Gyulnazaryan  
Juliana Bingham, Amber Cunnigan,  
Natasha Gyulnazaryan  
"Midsummer Breeze" by Natasha Gyulnazaryan  
Deven Griffith  
Andrew Vaca

Music

Costume Design  
Faculty Mentor

# I See Me

Choreography  
Performer

Ayianna Henry  
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"No Good Deed Goes Unpunished" by Kevin Shields  
Imran Khan  
Mary Leopo  
Andrew Vaca

Music

Sound Design  
Costume Design  
Faculty Mentor

## **mind to mind**

Choreography

Tiffany Martinez-Delgado  
in collaboration with the dancers

Performers

Taylor Jackson, Mary Leopo,  
Hitomi Misawa, Yuki ko Ni mura

Music

“Picture Us Smokin’” by Francia Jazzline Orchestra

Costume Design

Tiffany Martinez-Delgado and Hitomi Misawa

Faculty Mentor

Danzel Thompson-Stout

## **Fortuitous Discovery of Dance**

Choreography

Victoria Vertiz

Performer

Victoria Vertiz

Music

“Envisage” by Keith Merrill

Costume Design

Tatiana Beverly

Faculty Mentor

Betsy Cooper

*Thank you to all for the generosity, guidance, encouragement, and thank you for supporting the concert!*

## **No Sound**

Choreography

Nichaela Hall

Performers

Tatiana Beverly, Elaina Greenawalt, Julia Hanson,  
Deven Griffith, Damian Sanchez-Hernandez

Understudy

Nichaela Hall

Music

“Amending” by Dante Del Rosario

Sound Design

Dante Del Rosario

Costume Design

Tatiana Beverly and Madison Redlawsk

Faculty Mentor

Rebecca Bryant

## **deretIA (Altered)**

Choreography

Daylen McWhorter,  
with creative input from dancers.

Performers

Isabella Bahamondes, Evie Barakat,  
Brandon Betancourt, Tori Cone, Morgan Dragsbaek,  
Isabel Edmondson, Victoria Gallegos, Malia Lyons,  
Isabella Mendoza, Katelyn Such

Music

“Division” by Just Because,

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**NICHAELA HALL** is a BFA Dance candidate and Communications minor at California State University, Long Beach. She began dancing at the age of two and grew up spending most of her time in the dance studio training in many styles of dance. Throughout middle school and high school, Nichaela choreographed for her classmates and competition teams. In 2015, she began teaching at Studio 10, where she continued to explore and build her skills as a contemporary and jazz choreographer. She is a former member of Flight Dance Collective and has performed at SAFEhouse and SFMAF. She has worked and



## PRODUCTION CREW

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ASSISTANT TECHNICAL DIRECTOR:

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Alexes Freeman

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Elizabeth Sanchez-Reyes,

Violet Zulick

Monica Antunes, Emily Boudreau,

Stephany Nuñez, Lexi Portillo,

Dylon Spahr

Kelsey Vidic

Erika Hansen

Emily Brandt, Ni za Gal indo Cardenas,

Kevin Holland, Daylen McWhorter,

Valerie Puentes

Jewell Curtiss, Heather Davis,

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**DRAMATIC ALLIED ARTS GUILD SCHOLARSHIP** – TORI CONE

**MARTIN FIGOTEN SCHOLARSHIP** – ROBERT HUERTA, DAMIAN SANCHEZ-HERNANDEZ

**FINE ARTS AFFILIATES SCHOLARSHIP** – TATIANA BEVERLY, EMILY PILLITTE

**JAMIESSON-PECHSTEIN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP** – NICHAEA HALL, AYI ANNA HENRY, EDUARDO HERNANDEZ, REESE RADANOVICH

**CELESTE KENNEDY SCHOLARSHIP** – SANTI RIVERA, AJ SHARP, KATIE SUMMERS, AZUKI UMEDA

**LILLIAN NEWMAN KOMAROFF MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** – KAT GIANNINI

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