



WEST FEST

dance festival
2018

All Over Westbeth
Historic Site Specific Tour
April 28th & 29th
Tours from 2-4PM (FREE)
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PERSPECTIVE

True, as told by the storytellers

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presented at

Westbeth
155 Bank Street
New York, NY 10014

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2:00-4:00PM
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WestFest is an annual dance festival presented in the historic Westbeth Artists' Residence building. The festival includes site-specific performances animating multiple spaces within the iconic building as well as a series of performances in the legendary top floor studio, which was home to the Merce Cunningham Dance Company for many years and now houses the Martha Graham Dance Company. The festival aims to open the Westbeth building to dance artists and audiences and engage the resident artist population with a broader community of artistic stewards of Westbeth and its legacy.

SITE #1 ONE GALLERY

Title: Plastic Ocean
Company: LLMoves
Choreographed by: Lindsey L. Miller
Performed by: Erin Arbuckle, Xenia Mansour, Lindsey L. Miller, Lena Staley, Zachary Tracz
Costumes: Zachary Alexander
Music: Bettina Sheppard

Lindsey L. Miller graduated with honors at Illinois State University with a degree in dance performance and trained in the professional training program at the Martha Graham School of Contemporary Dance. Professionally, she has danced with Benoit Swan Pouffer, Desmond Richardson, Abdur-Raheim Jackson, Quixotic Cirque Nouveau, Alison Cook Beatty Dance, Beth Soll, Trainor Dance, Antoinette DiPietropolo, Shelter Repertory Dance Theatre, and Ballet des Amériques.

LLMoves is a dance/media company founded by Lindsey L. Miller with the mission to create interdisciplinary performance experiences with a cause.
www.llmoves.com

SITE #2 13TH FL SPACE

Title: Juliet's Balcony
Choreographed by: TruDee in collaboration with Deborah Lohse
Performed by: TruDee
Music: Melissa Ethridge

TruDee is a formidable dance artist and storyteller as well as an award winning lip sync artist, ribboned competitive speed walking champion and holds the title as the youngest member of the her church choir joining the ranks at the age of 11. An elusive genre straddler, TruDee has performed at Joe's Pub, The PIT, American Dance Festival and the Stonewall Inn.
www.deborahlohse.com

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SITE #3

12TH FLOOR LOBBY & STAIRS (FROM 12-10)

Title: Once she lived in a 4th floor walk-up

Choreographed by: Elizabeth Furman & Kayt MacMaster in collaboration with dancers

Performed by: Marin Day, Elizabeth Furman, Chloe London, Kayt MacMaster

Music: "Moon Waltz" Brian Reitzell, "Do You Ever Remember?" Molly Drake

Elizabeth Furman is a Brooklyn based performance artist. After graduating from Kenyon College in 2015 with a major in Dance and English, Elizabeth moved back home to Brooklyn where she has been working and performing. Elizabeth is an artist who creates worlds for distinct characters to inhabit. Exploring moments when humor meets pain, she seeks to offset our perception of reality. She's excited to have collaborated in this year's All Over Westbeth season.

www.elizabethfurman.weebly.com

Kayt MacMaster, an NYC-based performer, creates work that blurs the lines between fiction and nonfiction. Her interests lie in folk arts, mythology, femininity in its archetypal sense, and the various ways in which these universal histories connect to, dictate, and cooperate with popular culture as well as with personal narratives. As a maker, she works with movement, primarily, but also incorporates other interests such as text, visual art, and live music.

www.kaytmacmaster.com

SITE #4

3RD FLOOR HALLWAY

Title: The Residents

Company: BOINK! Dance & Film

Choreographed by: Dylan Baker

Performed by: Sarah Freeman, Cassandra Motta, Lauren Hafner Addison

Music: "Szerencsétlen" by Venetian Snares

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SITE #5

COMMUNITY ROOM

Title: Digitized

Company: Smashworks Dance

Choreographed by: Ashley McQueen

Performed by: Sarah Dodd, Ashley McQueen, Sarah Starkweather

Music: Mount Kimbie

Artistic Director of Smashworks Dance Collective, Ashley McQueen is a performer, choreographer, and fitness instructor. She holds a BFA in Dance from Webster University and is currently pursuing her MFA in Dance from Hollins University while working as a Teaching Artist for Notes In Motion Outreach Dance Theatre and West Side YMCA.

Smashworks Dance is a NY-based group of movers dedicated to experiential movement that transforms every-day experiences into thought-provoking and captivating performances.

www.smashworksdance.com

SITE #6

COURTYARD

Title: Roda (Traditional Roda de Capoeira)

Coordinated by: Master Jelon Vieira / Capoeira Luanda.

As a 10-year-old boy in Brazil, **Jelon Vieira** began to study Capoeira, the Afro-Brazilian martial art that is central to his life philosophy. In the mid-1970s, after joining a Brazilian folk dance company, he went on tour to Europe. Soon after, he traveled to New York City, where he founded his own dance company. DanceBrazil has performed worldwide, sharing Brazil's cultural history and stories of its communities. A Capoeira mestre, Vieira in 2007 founded Capoeira Luanda, which is dedicated to the teaching and practice of Capoeira. He is the recipient of an NEA National Heritage Fellowship, among other awards.

www.capoeiraluandanyc.com

WHO'S WHO

Carol Nolte (WestFest Founder/Artistic Director) founded WestFest 8 years ago as a response to the financial strain of the recession, offering choreographers free or low cost performance opportunities at the Westbeth Artists' Residence, her home for the last 28 years. She has also created over 50 dances for her award-winning company Dance Collective. Recently, her work has been seen at Merce Cunningham Studio, The Kitchen, Joyce SoHo, The 92nd Street Y Fridays at Noon. She has also co-founded and produced three dance festivals, DanceBLITZ, Taos Dance 2000, and, currently, WestFest. She graduated from Brown University with honors in American Civilization and took an advanced degree in dance at The New School.

www.dancecollectiveny.com

George Cominskie (Executive Producer) has been the executive producer of WestFest since its inception in 2011. He is also the executive producer of the annual PEN Literary Quest at Westbeth. Mr. Cominskie recently stepped down as President of the Westbeth Artists Residents Council (WARC). He served on WARC for 21 years, 17 of them as President.

Lauren Hafner Addison & Dylan Baker/BOINK! Dance & Film (Curators/Producers) BOINK! is a modern dance company that explores the infinite possibilities in the world of film and live performance. Founded in 2013, BOINK! has performed all around the country from premiering at the Dance On Camera Film Festival at Lincoln Center to putting on full-length film and dance productions at the MKE Fringe Festival in Milwaukee, WI. Our mission is to combine dance and film in new and exciting ways in order to connect with all audiences.

www.boinkdance.com

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