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1515 Brandywine Street | Philadelphia PA 19101
Tickets \$15 (\$10 for DancePass holders, seniors, & students with ID)

Bronwen MacArthur danced as a freelance artist in New York and Denmark with Bill Young, Gina Gibney, Robin Becker, Donna Uchizono, Sara Gebran, and Tim Feldmann. Bronwen formed MacArthur Dance Project (MDP) in 2007 as an umbrella for her choreographic work and has presented in New York, New England, Philadelphia, Russia, and France. Her passion for music and particular interest in original scores has led her to collaborate with composers Doug Henderson, Matthew Suttor, Willow Williamson, and Bryan Senti, among others. MDP is featured in the documentary Coming to Grips, produced and directed by Emmy-nominated filmmaker Lori Petchers and installed at Dance New Amsterdam (N.Y.). The company is also featured in webisodes of the Mr. Nice web series Haute & Bothered, directed by Ami Armstrong, on Teen.com. Bronwen has been guest instructor at Connecticut College and has taught in the Theater Studies department at Yale University. She continues to teach at various schools and studios nationally and internationally.

Gabrielle Revlock is a native Philadelphian and director of Mano/Damno Projects. Her work has been shown at the Joyce SoHo (New York) and the Korzo Theater (The Hague, Netherlands), among other venues. She was resident choreographer at Bryn Mawr College in 2010 and the recipient of a Rocky Award the same year. In 2009 she was chosen to present in The A.W.A.R.D. Show! as part of the Philadelphia Live Arts Festival. A graduate of Vassar College with a B.A. in Art History, Gabrielle was selected Alumnae Choreographer in 2005. As a dancer, she has received two professional development awards from Dance Advance, which took her to The Netherlands to collaborate and tour with Isabelle Chaffaud and Jérôme Meyer. She is a company member of Jeanne Ruddy Dance and has worked frequently with international artists Sean Feldman, Willi Dorner, and Katsura Kan. Gabrielle's films also were shown in 2007 and 2008 at the dance film festival Motion Pictures, programmed by Philadelphia Dance Projects. As a photographer, she has been published in both Smithsonian and Bust Magazine.

Raphael Xavier is an award-winning dancer and artist. He is a Pennsylvania Fellow of the Arts in Folk and Traditional Forms and has been funded by the Independence Foundation and the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts. He has been aprofessional dancer for the last 15 years, working in a variety of fields including music, photography, and film. A Breaker for over two decades, Raphael continues to learn and create newways to expand the vocabulary of the dance form. His latest production, Black Canvas, was part of the REDCAT NOW Festival in Los Angeles. Raphael's dance works, both solo and ensemble, have been performed at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.; Dance Theatre Workshop in New York City; the Wilma Theater and Painted Bride Arts Center in Philadelphia; and in Lithuania and Brazil, as well as at many other venues in the United States and Europe.

The choreographers and Susan Hess offer special thanks to performance artist Ralph Lemon, for his insight and authenticity as he led the three-day Masters Exchange workshop in March.

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Masters Exchange, a series of mentoring sessions between visiting master teachers from around the world and the choreographers in residence.

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