

DANCE CHICAGO 2012 DANCES FROM THE HEART

John Schmitz,
Founder/Artistic Director/Curator
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1. Innervation Dance Cooperative

Birth of Zeus (10/6/10)

Choreographer: Molly Beck

Music: Feist

Lighting: Joshua Paul Weckesser

Costumes: Lauren Drake and Amy Williams

Dancers: Molly Beck, Elisa Carlson,
Madeline Folliard, Ginger Jensen, Michelle
McCrea, Kimberly Miller, Shanae Sterba,
Stephanie Unger, Liz Wiczorek;
www.innervationdance.org

Twitter: innervationdc

*This piece is from IDC's rock ballet Gods,
Monsters, and Heroes.*

2. Beyond Words Dance Company

Kate Jablonski, Artistic Director

Foundations (December 3, 2011)

Choreographer: Kate Jablonski

Lighting: Joshua Paul Weckesser

Music: "Foundations" by Kate Nash

Costumes: Kym Geissler

Dancers: Cassie Biggane, Brittany Bolek,
Grace Brown, Kristen Brusich, Victoria
Burke, Erica Caruso, Colleen Claffy, Abby
Collins, Maria Congenie, Hannah Dusek,
Grace Filer, Kayla Galvez, Paige Geissler,
Rachael Han, Amanda Hejna, Claire
Hejna, Isabella Koenig, Bailee Krucek,
Catherine Lannan, Rachel Lipchik, Emma
Loughlin, Nikki Mantis, Julia May, Kayla
McCarron, Ariane Moreau, Lizzie Musur,
Melissa Noonan, Samantha Noonan,

Marissa Pintozzi, Ginger Pollitt, Karina
Sanchez, Nicole Schemansky, Caitlyn
Silhavy, Kathleen Sullivan, Ellery
Tomaszkiewicz, Tadas Varaneckas, Julia
Whang, Caitlin Yore

BeyondWordsDanceCompany.com

Facebook: Beyond Words Dance Company

(open group); twitter: @KateJablonski

Beyond Words Rehearsal Space:

FoundationsPerformanceCenter.com

3. Hip Hop ConnXion HQ

Suavé, David Fonseca, Artistic Directors
Differences in Love (world premiere)

Choreographer; Suavé, David Fonseca,
Trae Turner

Lighting: Suavé and Joshua Paul
Weckesser

Music: Mike Posner, Drake, Maxwell,
MSTRKRFT

Dancers: Taylor Erwin, Stefany Drabes,
David Fonseca, Annie Franklin, Darius
Love, Brenda Sekosan, Christine Warner,
Gi An Young

hiphopconnxion.com;

facebook.com/hiphopconnxion; twitter:
#hiphopconnxion

Notes: The Hip Hop ConnXion will be
hosting the top annual urban dance
showcase in Illinois called, "THE ONE" on
Saturday April 21st featuring some of the
best urban dance companies in the
Midwest. Tickets are on sale now at
ticketweb.com (search: THE ONE 2012).
The show will sell out so don't wait till the
last minute to buy tickets! Also go to
hiphopconnxion.com for more
information

4. On Your Toes Academy of Dance

Louise Taitz, Artistic Director

Untitled Theme From Schindlers List (4/2011)

Choreographer: Louise Taitz and Pasha
Tabutov

Lighting Designer: Dustin L. Derry,
adapted by Joshua Paul Weckesser

Music-Itzak Perlman

Costumes- Marcea's

Dancers- Jessica Taitz, Calli Taitz, Mollie
Rice, Amanda Weil, Rachel Foos, Jessica
Rappaport

*This work is dedicated to all those who
lost their lives during the Holocaust and
to all those righteous men and women
who saved lives during the Holocaust.*
balletplace.com; Facebook: On Your Toes
Academy of Dance

5. Chicago Dance

Gregory Day & Tommye Giacchino,
Directors

On The Floor (11/4/11)

Choreographer Tommye Giacchino

Lighting: Joshua Paul Weckesser

Music:: On the Floor Jennifer Lopez &
Pitbull

Costumes: Tommye Giacchino

Performers: Michael & Stephanie
Schubmehl, Rob Wakerly & Briel Naugle,
Stephan & Brenda Martone, Jay Schmall
& Jessica Mays, Marlon Pinero & Sallie
Allen

*Dancing from the heart is what these
talented student dancers from Chicago
Dance do. This group of nurses, traders
and techies have all met in class,
becoming best of friends, as well*

*as even a few marriages. These
amateur dancers compete and perform
as a group doing shows and
competitions. They currently hold the
USA Dance Formation 1st place title as
well as the couples have successfully
competed as some of the top dancing
couples in the Midwest area. They are
excited to Dance from their Heart tonight
with you and their coaches Gregory Day
and Tommye Giacchino.*

Tango to Evora

Choreographers: Gregory Day & Tommye
Giacchino

Lighting Joshua Paul Weckesser

Music by Loreenna Mc Kennett

Costumes: Tommye Giacchino

Performers: Gregory Day and Tommye
Giacchino

*It is with great pleasure that we re-join
John Schmitz and Dance Chicago back on
the Athenaeum Stage. As dancers we
have been blessed in our career with the
opportunity to teach and perform all over
the world but some of our fondest
memories have been in being a part of a
very special concert series: Dance
Chicago. It was a joy to be a part of the
community of dancers on stage and
backstage, and have a place where our
students from Chicago Dance could join
us in the audience. We are excited to
help relaunch the collaboration of Dance
Chicago, the Athenaeum and the
incredible dance talent that Chicago has
to offer. - Gregory Day and Tommye
Giacchino; chicagodance.com;
facebook.com/chicagodanceschools;
Twitter: @chicagodance;
Phone: 773 267 3411*

6. Danszloop Chicago

Paula Frasz, Artistic Director

EGGS

Choreographer: Paula Frasz

Music: Tangomania

Lighting Designer: Joshua Paul Weckesser

Text: Woody Allen

Dancers: Tarah Brown, Paul Christiano,
Autumn Eckman

7. Full Effect Dance Theatre

Dane A. Campbell, Artistic Director

Amen (World Premiere)

Choreographer: Dane A. Campbell

Additional Choreography by: Blair
Carlidge, Michael Gray, and Terrance
Richardson

Music: Christopher Bolden

Lighting Designer: Dustin L. Derry,
adapted by Joshua Paul Weckesser

Costume Designer: Blair Carlidge

Other Production: FEETDCo Fashions

Dancers: Blair Carlidge, Christopher
Bolden, Terrance Richardson, Mario
Lemon, Kayla Mathis, Ashtar, Aramie
Payton, Robyn Durham, Torrin Clifton,
Tyree Williams, Millicent Owusu, &
Diandre Blue. www.feetdco.com for
exciting updates on future
performances and company services

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8. Mexican Dance Ensemble

Samuel Cortez, Artistic Director

Corridos Mexicanos

Choreographer: Rafael Zamarripa

Castaneda

Music: Mariachi Universidad de Colima

Dancers: Beatriz Iyva, Carmen Gallardo,
Maricela Gallegos, Maira Jimenez, Mirella
Borjon, Yesenia Alvarez, Nina Sandoval,
Luz Lemus, Isabel Guevara, Omar
Guevara, Edgar Medrano, Edgar
Hernandez, Jose Enrique Vazquez,
Eduardo Cortez, Alonso Cortes, Gustavo
Martinez, Samuel Cortez

Lighting Designer: Joshua Paul Weckesser
mdechicago.org;

facebook.com/mdechicago;

twitter.com/mdechicago

9. Aerial Dance Chicago

Chloe Jensen, Artistic Director

UNBOUND (2011)

Choreographer: Linnea Schlegel

Music: Nikolaj Bloch, Sally Herbert

Lighting: Joshua Paul Weckesser

Dancer: Linnea Schlegel

www.aerialdancechicago.org

10. Extensions Dance Company

Lizzie Mackenzie, Artistic Director

Our Daily Bread (World Premiere)

Choreographer: Lizzie MacKenzie

Lighting: Joshua Paul Weckesser

Music: Amiina

Costumes: Colleen Simonelli

Dancers: Kaylyn Brothers, Isabella
Buscaglia, Vicky Cancelliere, Nate Carter,
Amy Chihara, Melanie Dalaly, Olivia Euritt,
Brittany Harrington, Aden Leone, Brianna
Noe, Lorena Sanchez, Amanda Szabo,
Amanda Terese, Annie Wyman;
Extensionsdance.com

11. chiBAM!

Lane Alexander, Artistic Director

Kristi Burris, Artistic Associate

Three Little Words (2009)

Music: Three Little Words

Lighting: Joshua Paul Weckesser

Composer: Harry Ruby

Arrangement: Nat "King" Cole

Choreography: Ted Louis Levy

Dancers: Kristi Burris, Heather Brown,
Marty Bronson, Zada Cheeks

Choreographed by none other than

Chicago's own Emmy and Tony award

winner Ted Louis Levy, Three Little

Words is the picture of grace and

elegance. Taking the audience on a

journey through natural flow of rhythm

and movement, this work is bound to

become a standout in tap dance history.

The creation of this dance was supported

in part by a generous grant by the Sara

Lee Foundation.

12. Forum Jazz Dance Theatre

Eddy Ocampo, Artistic Director

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Choreography: Eddy Ocampo & Brent

Caburnay

Music: Max Richter & Eddy Ocampo

Sound Design: Eddy Ocampo

Costumes: Brent Caburnay & Linda

Kummerow

Lighting: Joshua Paul Weckesser

Dancers: Kelsie Barbacovi, Kate Coleman,

Joey Columbus, Cassie Corbin, Jessica

Doretti, Keli Gunn, Sarah Heimberger,

Katie Kummerow, Rachael Papp,

Stephanie Papp, Lauren Seefeldt, Alyssa

Stokovich, Ellen Sutter, Ali Wilson; fjdt.org

13 NoMi LaMad Dance, Inc.

Laura Kariotis & Madeline J. Renwick,

Artistic Directors

Le Fil de la Vie (September 2011)

Choreographer: Robert Priore

Lighting: Jared Moore, adapted by Joshua
Paul Weckesser

Music: Camille

Dancers: Kristina Ancil, Shannon Brodie,
Katie Carey, Paul Christiano, Richard E.
Falls, Jr., Phillip Ollenburg, Madeline J.
Renwick, Sarah Robinson, Selena Roque
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LaMad Dance, Inc.

[twitter: NoMiLaMadDance](https://twitter.com/NoMiLaMadDance)

14. Trinity Irish Dancers

Mark Howard, Artistic Director/Founder

Ellen G. Waller & Laura McNamara,

Associate Artistic Directors

Celtic Tiger; 2011 World

Champion Peter Dziak; Trinity

Choreography by: Mark Howard, Sylvan

Kelly, Ellen G. Waller, Laura McNamara

Music by: Stone

Costumes by: Rie McGarry, Elevation

Designs, Siopa Rince

Dancers: MacKenzie Holland, Elyse Smith,

Erin Gentile, Danae Luetkehans, Mary

Clare McDonnell, Kendall Gaspari, Mairi

Doyle, Kelly Finnen, Sara Winfrey, Megan

Oblein, Peter Dziak

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