**UMKC** Conservatory

# Spring 2016 Dance Concert

Dance Division - April 21, 22, 23 - Photos by Mike Strong (www.kcdance.com)



# **Spring 2016 Dance Concert**

# Conservatory Dance Division - at The Folly

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Thursday April 21 - 7:30 pm
Friday April 22 - 7:30 pm
Saturday April 23 - 2 pm (Free, Informal) and 7:30 pm
The price for all evening concerts - \$12 general public
\$5 UMKC faculty, staff, students - The Saturday afternoon concert : free

### White

by Paula Weber

# Breaking the Dam, Part 2: Mass Incarceration

by Gary Abbott

## And then there were Five

by Sabrina Madison-Cannon

# Esperando nin Silencio

by Mary Pat Henry

# Grey

by Winston Dynamite Brown

# Give Your Hands to Struggle

by Jowale Willa Jo Zollar

## The Miraculous Man

by DeeAnna Hiett, Ronald Tice

# White

#### Choreography by Paula Weber

Music: Adagio from Concerto for Piano No. 23 in A Major, K 488 (1786)

Composed by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791) Lighting design by Ethan Newman

Costumes by Eleve Dancewear

#### **Dancers**

Alexandra Wallace and John Swapshire Kelsey Crawford and Cameron Miller (Friday and Saturday evenings) with

Sarah Frangenberg (Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings)

and

Alexandria Brant, Alaina DeRaedt, Mallory Hensel, Julia Martin, Phoebe Perry, Caroline Purcell, Hannah Wagner (Friday and Saturday evenings)

Maria Hall and Cameron Miller Ricky Davis and Holly Marcin (Thursday evening and Saturday matinee) with

Kristen Finck (Saturday matinee)

and

Brigitte Benyei, Nora Burkitt, Allison Harsh, Remmi Hartmann, Madeline Koesters, Marina Shortino, Megan Tabel (Thursday evening and Saturday matinee)

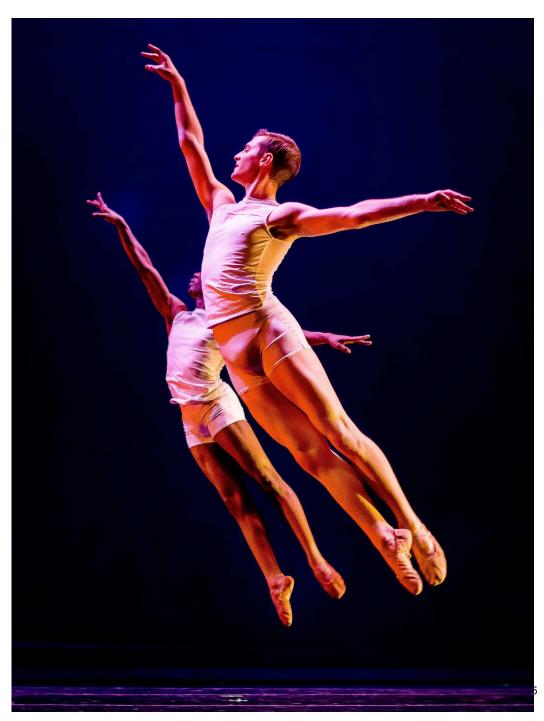


Marina Shortino



On stage Wednesday standing on the apron starting tech rehearsal for "White" by Paula Weber Left-Right: Folly Crew, Alexandra Wallace, John Swapshire and Kelsey Crawford, Alaina DaRaedt, Julia Martin (front center), Caroline Purcell, Hannah Wagner and Alexandria Brant (front right) Paula Weber is in the house, center right in picture and lighting crew at far right





Ricky Davis (back) and Cameron Miller (front)



Marina Shortino



Alexandra Wallace and John Swapshire









# Breaking the Dam Part 2: Mass Incarceration

#### **Choreography by Gary Abbott**

Music: Rising Up (2016) Composed by Paul Rudy (b. 1962) Poetry: "Breaking the Bondage" by Rob Love Lighting design by Ethan Newman Costumes by Ricky Davis

#### **Dancers**

Bree Dorsey, Kim Avarez, John Swapshire

Nora Burkitt, David Calhoun, Makenna Dowling, Holly Messman, Kiarra Brown-Edwards, Taylor Edwards, Victoria Hay, Brock Maze, Tianna Morton, Cameo Miller, Cameron Miller, Ayana Roberson, John Roberts, Megan Tabel, Nia Towe

John Swapshire





This dance carries a narrative dealing with the effects and consequences of an industry based on incarceration with little to no concern either for those caught in the middle because they or their loved ones are in prison or no concern for the way this will impact those incarcerated and their communities when they try to recover after incarceration.

As I told Gary Abbott, in my few contacts with those incarcerated, via Arts in Prison, I've always felt the overwhelming sense of loss and waste of human beings beyond my ability to describe.

Along with this is the feeling of infantilization which seems to show up after a few years, making a re-adjustment as useful members of society, that much harder.



On stage rehearsal in tech as Gary Abbott rallies his "troops"











# and then there were Five

## **Choreography by Sabrina Madison-Cannon**

Music: The Twins (Prague)" and "November" from Memoryhouse (2002)
Composed by Max Richter (b. 1966)
Lighting design by Glenn Linder
Costumes by the UMKC Dance Division

#### **Dancers**

Bree Dorsey, Courtney Garrett, Mallory Hensel, Harry Parker, Hannah Wagner (Thursday evening)

Kelsey Crawford, Sarah Frangenberg, Leah Korn, John Swapshire, Alexandra Wallace (Friday and Saturday evenings)

Kaitlyn Gardner, Maria Hall, DaJuan Johnson, Caroline Purcell, Alaina DeRaedt (Saturday matinee)

Understudy: Alexandria Brant

DaJuan Johnson and Maria Hall

Opposite: Kelsey Crawford and John Swapshire







Left:
DaJuan Johnson carries Maria Hall

Right: John Swapshire, Alexandra Wallace, Leah Korn, Kelsey Crawford and Sarah Fragenberg





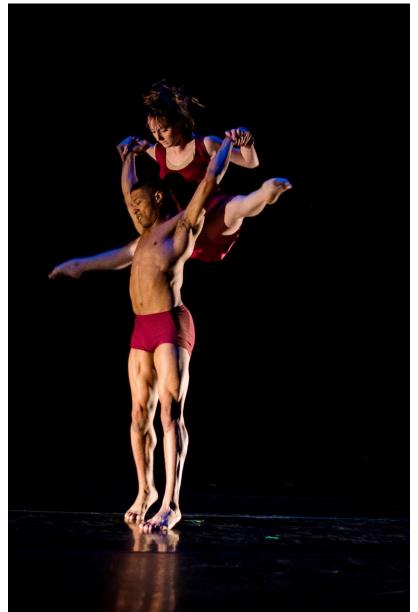












# Esperando nin Silencio

## **Choreography by Mary Pat Henry**

Music: "Alnitak" and "The Turning Point" from the Utaki album I Ching (1993)
Composed by Artur Andrés Ribeiro (b. 1959)
Lighting design by Nicole Jaja
Costume design by Judy Pfeifer

#### **Dancers**

Nora Burkitt, Bree Dorsey, Sarah Frangenberg, Danielle Palomino, Hannah Wagner, Alexandra Wallace, Ricky Davis, DaJuan Johnson, John Roberts, John Swapshire

Dedicated to the mothers of Argentina who stood bravely and silently in the Plaza de Mayo each week until the world knew that those they loved were disappearing because of the political regime.

Bree Dorsey (front) Hannah Wagner (behind)









John Swapshire, Ricky Davis, Sarah Fragenberg



Hannah Wagner, Bree Dorsey, Alexandria Wallace, Sarah Fragenberg, Nora Burkitt











# **GREY**

### **Choreography by Winston Dynamite Brown**

Music: Für Alina (1976)

Composed by Arvo Pärt (b. 1935)

Assistant to Mr. Brown: Christina Mowry

Rehearsal director: DeeAnna Hiett Lighting design by Ethan Newman

Costume design by Winston Dynamite Brown

Costume construction by Lisa Choules

#### **Dancers**

Alexandria Brant, Kiarra Brown-Edwards, David Calhoun, Kelsey Crawford, Ricky Davis, Makenna Dowling, Sarah Frangenberg, Courtney Garrett, Trey Johnson, Leah Korn, Christina Rice, Marina Shortino, Hannah Wagner

### Understudies:

Allison Harsh, Phoebe Lind, Cameo Miller, Cameron Miller, Erilyn Wiltshire-Beer



















# Give Your Hands to Struggle

### Choreography by Jawole Willa Jo Zollar

Music:

"Give Your Hands to Struggle" (1969)
Composed by Bernice Johnson Reagon (b. 1942)
Restaged by Chanon Judson
Rehearsal direction by Sabrina Madison-Cannon
Lighting design by Ethan Newman
Costume design and construction by Paula Weber

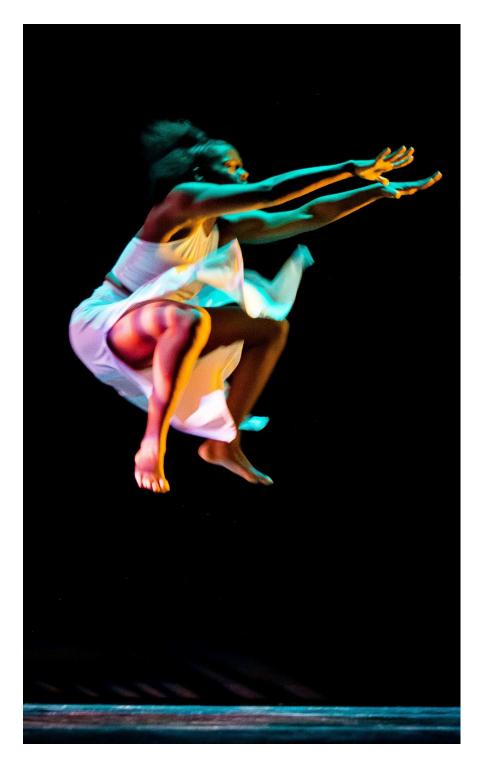
Dancer

Bree Dorsey (Thursday and Saturday evenings)

Courtney Garrett (Friday evening and Saturday matinee)







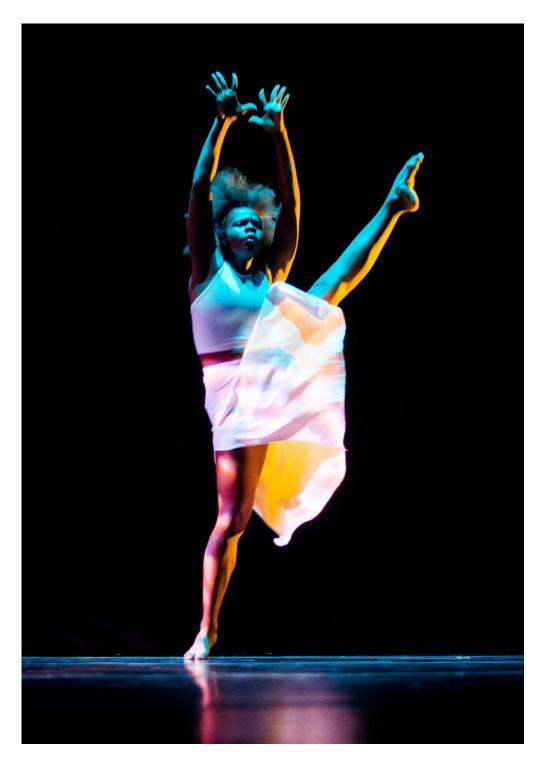


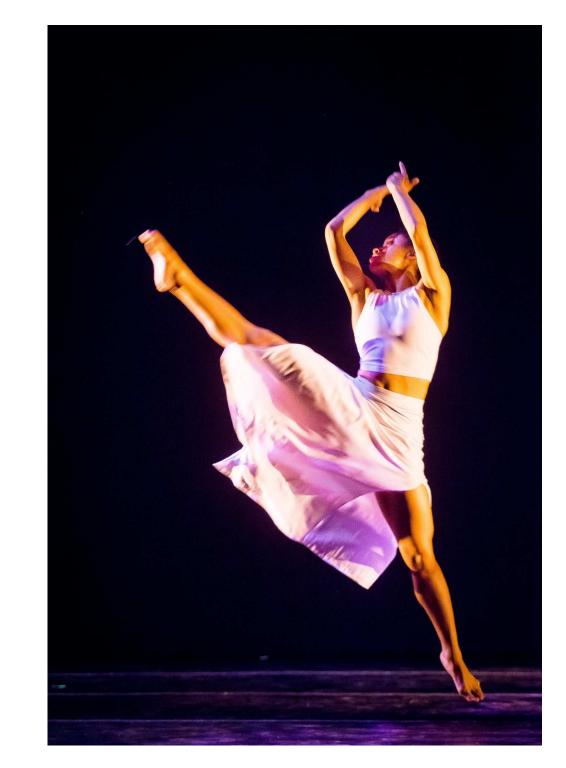












# The Miraculous Man

#### Choreography by DeeAnna Hiett and Ronald Tice

Music: A csodálatos mandarin (The Miraculous Mandarin), op. 19 (1918-19, rev. 1926-31) Composed by Béla Bartók (1881-1945)

Lighting design by Colleen Shea

Video design by Shane Tice

Photography by Weegee (1899-1968)

Costume design by DeeAnna Hiett and Ronald Tice

#### **Dancers**

She Mallory Hensel (Thurs., sat. eve.)

Sarah Frangenberg (Friday) Phoebe Perry (Sat. matinee)

He DaJuan Johnson (Sat. matinee)

John Swapshire (Thurs., Fri., sat. eve.)

Thug Trey Johnson (Thurs., Sat. matinee)

John Roberts (Friday, sat. eve.)

Mugs Brock Maze, Paco Vitug,

John Roberts (Thurs., Sat. matinee),

Trey Johnson (Friday, sat. eve.)

Clown David Calhoun

Shabby Rake Cameron Miller Bookworm James Fenoglio

Gypsy Kristen Finck (Thurs., Sat. matinee, Sat. eve.)

Brooke McPheeters (Friday)

Ladies in Red

Hannah Wagner (Friday, sat. eve.), Julia Martin (Thurs., sat. matinee), Katie Johnson, Caroline Purcell

Ladies in Black

Kristen Finck (Friday), Sarah Frangenberg (Thurs., sat. matinee, sat, eve.), Madeline Koesters (Friday, sat eve.), Brooke McPheeters (Thurs., sat. matinee), Bree Dorsey (Friday, Sat. eve.), Alaina DeRaedt (Thurs., Sat. matinee), Alexandria Brant (Friday, sat. eve.), Hannah Wagner (Thurs., sat. matinee), Kaitlyn Gardner

Maddening Crowd

Courtney Benner, Emily Dismuke, Makenna Dowling, Jorden Erskin, Ekaterina Everhart, Remmi Hartmann, DaJuan Johnson, Madeline Koesters, Holly Lewis, Phoebe Lind, Margaret Kellenberger, Tianna Morton, Ayana Roberson, Alexandra Smith, John Swapshire 52

# Synopsis

Gotham at night—the big city, a den of iniquity, a gin joint full of nefarious characters and unwitting victims of violence. Some people are "asking for it" and this is just the type of place to give it to 'em.

The Taxi Dancers and Maddening Crowd are witnesses to various crimes against humanity.

She needs a job and He has just lost his; times are tough and love is rare on the mean streets.

The music of Hungarian composer Béla Bartók and the images of American crime photographer Weegee inspired this production of The Miraculous Man.

- Ronald Tice





























James Fenoglio (as Bookworm) gets tossed by the thug and his mugs, clockwise from lower left: Brock Maze, John Roberts, Trey Johnson (as Thug), and Paco Vitug



Phoebe Perry (She) is lifted by DaJuan Johnson (He)





























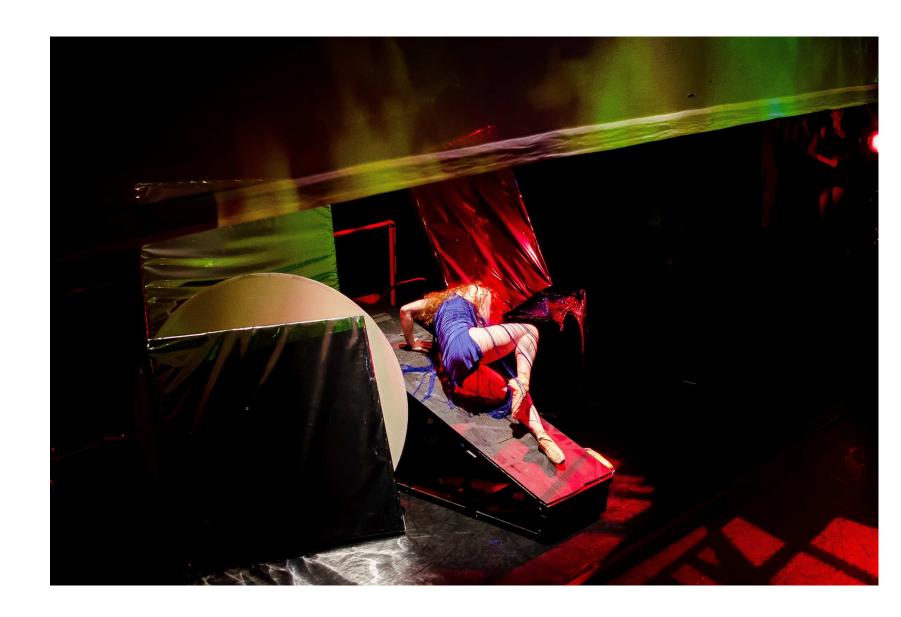












# Around the Sides - "candids"

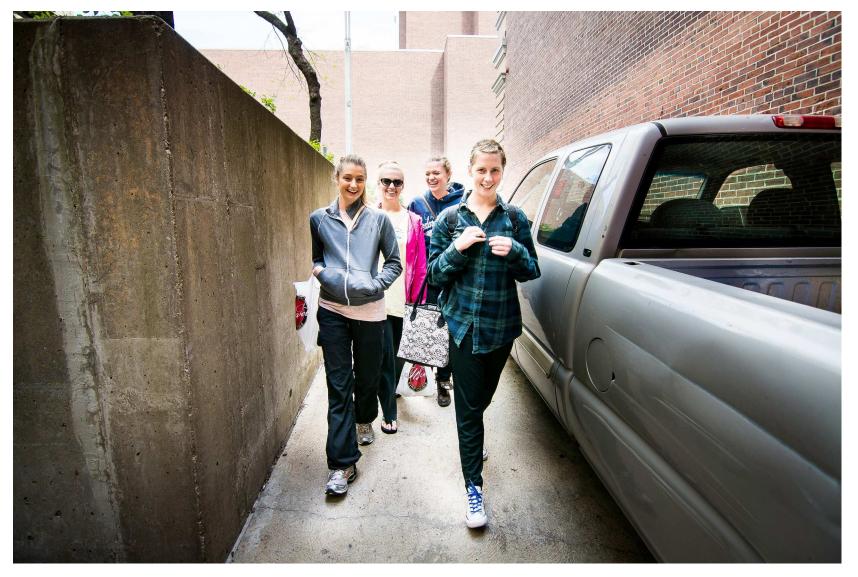




Opposite Top: sign on the lobby door of The Folly,

Opposite bottom: view from inside Quiznos which was around the corner north of The Folly and west one block.

Above: Dancers on the sidewalk outside of Quiznos between performances - Kaitlyn Gardner, Brock Maze, (Katie) Ekaterina Everhart, Danielle Palomino, Katie Johnson



Down the drive way into the stage door from Central Street. Returning from break ready for the evening's performance.



DeeAnna Hiett giving instructions about working in The Folly to the dancers on the first day in theater.



Company Class: Directing on the apron (just left of center) Ronald Tice.



Above: Gary Abbott, Sabrina Madison-Cannon, Hannah Wagner

Next Page: from top left: (1) dancers Erilyn Wilshire and Leah Korn backstage with coloring books, (2) DeeAnna Hiett and Sabrina Madison-Cannon returning from break, (3) Ricky Davis and Bree Dorsey in the lobby, (4) DeeAnna Hiett and Ronald Tice backstage 83









Top left: Billie Mahoney and Donna Patty
Top right: UMKC Information Access' Terrence Berger
86 Bottom: (left) ushers, (right) Caroline Dahm (Fogg)

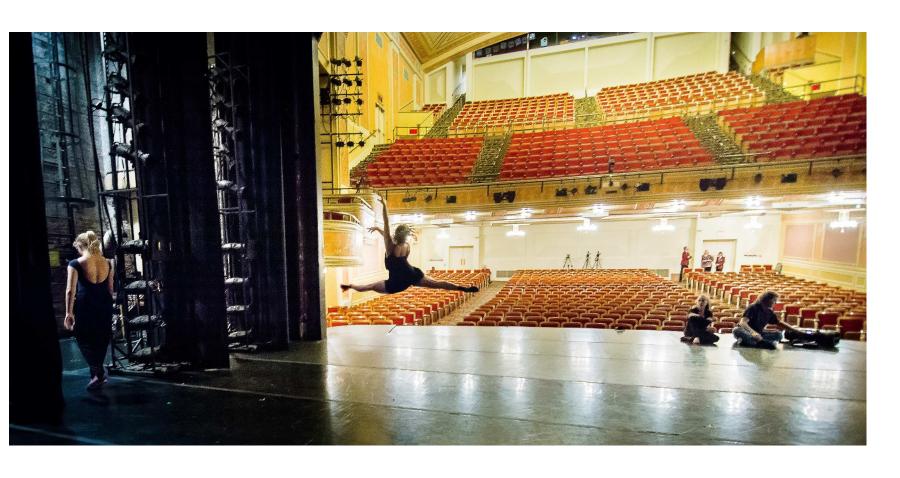




Above Left: Paco Vitug and bike between performances, Top right: Sarah Fragenberg at stage entrance Above right: Shacura Wade and Kameron Saunders



Company Class: Directing on the apron (at right) Ronald Tice.



Company Class: Directing on the apron (at right) DeeAnna Hiett and Ronald Tice.



## **UMKC Conservatory Dance Division**

#### **Professors**

Paula Weber - professor, chair of the UMKC Dance Division

Mary Pat Henry - professor

Sabrina Madison-Cannon - associate dean, Conservatory Undergraduate Studies

Gary Abbott - assistant professor, Senor Dance Recitals faculty advisor

DeeAnna Hiett - associate professor

Ronald Tice - associate professor, Spring Dance Concert Director

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**Tobin James** 

**David Justin** 

Haley Kostas

Suzanne Ryanstrati

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Tracy Terstriep-Herber

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