



JACKSONVILLE DANCE THEATRE PRESENTS

FIFTH ANNUAL REPERTORY CONCERT

SATURDAY, JUNE 24 8pm

Jacksonville, Fla. – Jacksonville Dance Theatre (JDT), Jacksonville’s own critically acclaimed professional contemporary dance company, presents its fifth annual full-length repertory concert, *Jacksonville Dance Theatre in Concert*, on Saturday, June 24, 2017 at 8 p.m. at the historic Florida Theatre.

Tickets \$25-\$35 and can be purchased by calling the Florida Theatre Box Office at 904.355.2787 or at floridatheatre.com.

Made possible in part by support from the Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville and PNC Arts Alive, *Jacksonville Dance Theatre in Concert* will showcase stunning performances by JDT’s 17-member critically acclaimed repertory company.

Guaranteeing the audience an entertaining and captivating evening of dance, the fifth annual *Jacksonville Dance Theatre in Concert* will present a newly commissioned work by choreographer James Boyd jamesboyddance.com (New York, Jacksonville), Dmitri Peskov (Chicago/Utah), Lisa D. Long (Los Angeles), James Morrow (Massachusetts), and perform new and current repertory from resident choreographers Rebecca R. Levy and Tiffany Santiero.

“We’re thrilled to combine the unique, exciting style of JDT with the amazing venue that is The Florida Theatre,” said Katie McCaughan, executive director of JDT. “Forging a relationship with The Florida Theatre has paved the way for JDT to grow into Jacksonville’s premier professional dance company and to have a continuous presence in Downtown Jacksonville.”

“The Florida Theatre is pleased to present and help support Jacksonville Dance Theatre,” said Numa Saisselin, president at The Florida Theatre. “Professional dance is an important art form for any community, and we’re fortunate to have such a talented company as JDT here in Jacksonville. We welcome them to our stage.”

Now in its fifth season, JDT annually produces its repertory concert June, an evening of duets in February, and a concert of solo performances in March, as well as a series of smaller performances and community outreach events throughout the year. Nationally, JDT has been featured in dance productions including The Dance Gallery Festival at the Ailey Center in New York City; The Dance Gallery Festival at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, Texas; Performatica in Puebla, Mexico; The MixMatch Dance Festival at the Miles Memorial Playhouse in Santa Monica, California; The

Pasadena Dance Festival at Lineage Performing Arts Center in Pasadena, CA; and the Ignite Dance Festival at The Vine Theater, in San Diego, California.

The Florida Theatre's 2017 season is sponsored by Community First Credit Union. For a complete list of upcoming season events, visit floridatheatre.com.

Jacksonville Dance Theatre:

Located in Jacksonville, Florida, Jacksonville Dance Theatre (JDT) is a contemporary dance and performance company dedicated to creating and promoting excellence in the field of professional dance on local, national and international stages. JDT is committed to creative innovation and exchange through dance making, performance and education. A 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, JDT's local performances and outreach impact Jacksonville directly, while their national and international performances raise Jacksonville's arts visibility and status overall. It is a special, and rare, arts organization that can have both impact and reach.

Florida Theatre : From ballet and opera to contemporary pop, jazz, rock, country and blues the nonprofit Florida Theatre offers 200 cultural and entertainment events annually for every taste and age. More than just an entertainment center, The Florida Theatre is also home to graduations, awards ceremonies, lectures, business meetings and charity events that support the community's schools, churches, hospitals and civic groups. As an anchor to downtown development along the beautiful St. Johns River, The Florida Theatre draws 250,000 people to Jacksonville's center each year. The magnificently restored Florida Theatre is recognized as one of the finest concert venues in the Southeast. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Florida Theatre holds special memories for four generations. From the Vaudeville acts and silent films of its earliest days to today's blend of performances of all kinds, The Florida Theatre has served as Jacksonville's premier entertainment center since 1927.

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