

OWEN COX DANCE

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From: Owen/Cox Dance
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What: *DANZA: 500 Years of Dance in Spain, a collaboration with Ensemble Ibérica*

Where: Polsky Theatre, Johnson County Community College, 12345 College Blvd. Overland Park, KS 66210

When: April 15 & 16, 2016, 8:00p

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Experience a retrospective of centuries of Spanish dance re-imagined by Owen/Cox Dance, Nathan Granner, and Beau Bledsoe's Ensemble Ibérica. The program will feature new dance works choreographed by Jennifer Owen to music spanning the last 500 years from Spain and the colonial Americas. Also on the program is *La Locura*, a work by Kate Skarpetowska commissioned by the Johnson County Community College Performing Arts Series for New Dance Partners 2015.

The works will be performed by Owen/Cox dancers, tenor Nathan Granner, and the musicians of Ensemble Ibérica. Featured musicians will include Beau Bledsoe (guitar), Victor Penniman (viola da gamba), Cristian Fatu (violin), Amado Espinoza (charango, flute, percussion), Patrick Alonzo Conway (percussion), and Norma Pacheco O'Neil (castanets). Dancers will include Holly DeWitt (Wylliams/Henry Contemporary Dance Company), Demetrius McClendon (Deeply Rooted Dance Theater), Winston Dynamite Brown (Pilobolus) and Dimitry Trubchanov (Kirov Ballet, Colorado Ballet). The piece is choreographed by Jennifer Owen (Russian State Ballet, Kansas City Ballet).

A post-performance Artist Talk and question and answer period with the dancers, musicians, actor, and choreographer will follow each performance. This discussion gives audience members an inside view of the creative process behind the work.

Performance time is 8:00 pm on April 15 and 16. Artist Talk to follow each performance at 9:30 pm. Tickets cost \$13-\$26. Tickets are available at the Johnson County Community College Box Office (913) 469-4445 (12345 College Blvd. Overland Park, KS 66210), or online at www.owencoxdance.org and www.ensembleiberica.org.

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