

OWEN COX DANCE

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Owen/Cox Dance has been invited to be the Resident Company of the Great Friends Dance Festival 2016, hosted by Island Moving Company! The festival will be held in the 1699 Great Friends Meeting House, which has been converted to an intimate theatre space, in Newport, RI on July 13-23, 2016. For two weeks, Owen/Cox Dance and Island Moving Company (IMC) will work together in the studio and perform a total of 9 shows, featuring the diverse repertoires of IMC, Owen/Cox Dance, and other guest artists.

Throughout the two-week residency, dancers will take class together, directors will teach master classes, and Owen/Cox Dance Artistic Director, Jennifer Owen, will choreograph a collaborative new work on the dancers of Owen/Cox Dance and IMC. This new work will be performed the last weekend of the festival.

The artistic exchange will continue during Owen/Cox Dance's 2016-17 season. Island Moving Company will travel to Kansas City for a collaborative performance with Owen/Cox Dance. The program will feature the Kansas City premiere of the work Jennifer Owen created for both companies, as well as works from Owen/Cox Dance and IMC's repertoire.

Owen/Cox Dance has a \$15,000 fundraising goal for this project. A generous donor has pledged a matching grant of \$5,000; Owen/Cox Dance launched a GoFundMe campaign to raise the matching \$5,000. Contributions can be made at www.gofundme.com/owencox

Other fundraising events are planned to raise the final \$5,000. On November 8th from 1:30-4:00pm, Owen/Cox Dance will host a fundraiser at Pinot's Palette - Prairie Village (6943 Tomahawk Rd. Prairie Village, KS 66208). Individuals can sign up by calling 913-671-1837.

More information is available at www.owencoxdance.org.