WHITE WAVE presents
2014 DUMBO DANCE FESTIVAL

September 25, 2014 – GALA Benefit
September 26 - 28, 2014 – Festival Performances
September 28, 2014 – Family Friendly Program

WHITE WAVE John Ryan Theater: 25 Jay Street, DUMBO, Brooklyn, NY

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WHITE WAVE presents the 14th Annual DUMBO DANCE FESTIVAL

For the 14th consecutive year, WHITE WAVE will produce and present our annual DUMBO DANCE FESTIVAL (DDF): a four day marathon showcase of cutting-edge contemporary dance featuring both emerging and eminent dancemakers. The 2014 DUMBO DANCE FESTIVAL (Sept. 25-28) held at WHITE WAVE John Ryan Theater will feature over 75 companies with 350 performing artists. Aside from WHITE WAVE’s Opening Night GALA fundraiser taking place on September 25th, all performances in our 3-day dance extravaganza will be presented free of charge to the public.

The 2014 DUMBO DANCE FESTIVAL will feature an extraordinarily diverse group of contemporary dance works, both in style and spirit. Up to 7 companies are presented in every hour of programming, hailing from New York City’s vibrant contemporary dance scene as well as from all across the United States & Mexico.

The 2014 DUMBO DANCE FESTIVAL runs concurrently with the DUMBO Arts Festival, which transforms our distinctive waterfront neighborhood into the single largest forum for experimental art in the United States. The grand scale of the 2014 DDF, the diverse artist participation, and vast interdisciplinary variety distinguishes this event from its peers. In fact, DUMBO Brooklyn has become the cultural magnet for startup, digital and creative companies, such as Etsy, MakerBot and Steiner Studios, in the greater Downtown Brooklyn area. Just one train stop from downtown Manhattan, the WHITE WAVE John Ryan Theater resides in this hotbed of artistic collaborations and provides a vital showcase for the latest in cutting edge, contemporary dance.

Once again, the panel’s choice has produced a spectacular roster of performers this year, including: LoBrace DanceWorks, Mazzini Dance Collective, L2DanceTheater, Monica Hogan Danceworks, The Movement Project, Amos Pinhasi, Azul Dance Theatre/Yuki Hasegawa, Rebecca Bryant, Michael Marquez, Shawn T Bible/stbdance, Vanessa Van Wormer Dance, Claire Jacob-Zysman and Dancers, Anna Reyes Dance, Tomomi Imai, Heather Roffe, Leslie Dworkin,

WHITE WAVE originated the DUMBO DANCE FESTIVAL in 2001 as a response to the dance community’s need for performance venues that would not only present, but also produce the work of rising choreographers at little or no cost to the artist. We started as a local company in DUMBO (Brooklyn), now we present three annual large scale festivals (DUMBO DANCE FESTIVAL, WAVE RISING SERIES, CoolNY Dance Festival). To date, WHITE WAVE has presented over 2,200 choreographers/dance companies and over 9,000 performers to a total of more than 65,000 audience members!

WHITE WAVE’s festivals have garnered repeated attention from The New York Times, PBS Ch.13 “NYC-Arts”, The Wall Street Journal, The Daily News, The Village Voice, Channel 7 “Eyewitness News,” and Dance Magazine. As WHITE WAVE has grown, so has the buzz surrounding us, leading to rave reviews in both local and international media citing the magnificence of our festivals and naming our John Ryan Theater “the hottest spot in DUMBO.”

GALA Opening Night: September 25th at 7pm
The 2014 DUMBO DANCE FESTIVAL will kick off with WHITE WAVE’s Opening Night GALA Celebration on Thursday, Sept. 25th at 7:00 pm. The evening will be hosted by a guest celebrity (TBA). We have selected two of our most distinguished supporters to honor the great impact they have had in furthering our mission this year. Their opening remarks will be followed by six stunning contemporary dance troupes: L2 Dance Theater, Heather Roffe, Clairobscur Dance Company, Nathan Madden, KDNY, Sue Samuel’s Jazz Roots Dance Company and WHITE WAVE Young Soon Kim Dance Company. Afterwards, the audience will enjoy a reception with a buffet dinner of exotic Korean cuisine and a fabulous raffle (including gourmet wine baskets, “dinner for two” at local DUMBO eateries and much more)!

Tickets are $100 and $250 (VIP seating) per person; all proceeds raised will directly offset WHITE WAVE’s production costs for our 2014/15 Season.
Tickets can be purchased at http://2014DDFGala.eventbrite.com
More info at 718-855-8822 or wwyskc@gmail.com

Family-Friendly Program: Sunday, Sept. 28, 12noon-3pm
Celebrating the next generation of dancers... and their parents! Teachers in WHITE WAVE’S Kids Can Dance education program will lead a one hour class session of Hip Hop/B-Boy and Modern Dance for kids of all ages. Following the class, 12 festival artists take the stage in an exciting and educational family-friendly program featuring the best in contemporary dance of 2014.

GRAND FINALE: Sunday, Sept. 28, 8pm-9:30pm
For the Festival Grand Finale, seven renowned choreographers/companies will present dance works, including Project (x) y, Chloe Markевич/Ensemble Dance, Rebecca Bryant, Arielle Petruzzella/Zella Dance, Clairobscur Dance Company, Sue Samuel’s Jazz Roots Dance Company and WHITE WAVE Young Soon Kim Dance Company.
2014 DUMBO DANCE FESTIVAL Performance Schedule:

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All 2014 DUMBO DANCE FESTIVAL performances will be held at the WHITE WAVE John Ryan Theater located in DUMBO at 25 Jay Street, entrance on John Street (on the waterfront).

With the exception of the Opening Night Benefit, there are no reservations or advance ticket sales: all seats are first come, first served and all Festival performances are presented **FREE/pay-what-you-will. Seating will be prompt – on the hour.**

Our 2014/2015 Festivals Project Season consists of:


B. **2014 WAVE RISING SERIES** (Oct. 22 - Nov. 9, 2014) – featuring 19 companies/choreographers and over 100 performers in 19 performances. WHITE WAVE’s WAVE RISING SERIES furthers our commitment to find, nurture, and broaden horizons for extraordinary artists in a program formatted to show their in-depth work. Presenting both rising stars and established world-class companies, the SERIES also functions as a New York City Season for artists who may not have the time or resources to produce a full event on their own.

Please visit [www.whitewavedance.com](http://www.whitewavedance.com) for more information about the 2014 DUMBO DANCE FESTIVAL and programs and events at WHITE WAVE John Ryan Theater in DUMBO.

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