

[UN]W.R.A.P.: Dance Cinema

Co-curated by the Sans Souci Festival of Dance Cinema team and CU's Dance division Directors, the films of [UN] W.R.A.P. bring us dance from all over the world, revealing perspectives about movement, film, and visual cultural connections/distinctions. Common themes arose in this year's offerings—dances about bro-mance, the pink tinting of worlds to create hyper lush realities, and gravel—lots and lots of gravel. It's interesting to see what visual trends pop up across the globe—textures that are part of the collective unconscious, like rocks, long hallways, and long-shots. This offering of dance for camera works ranges from the highly funded, "slicker" produced, international films, to films made in our own backyard that use real-time lighting elements as part of the "edit."

Dance is at the center of most of these films but locale, rich detail, and sound add to the choreography and conceptualization. We sought to find films that represented different ways of imagining the body, curating two distinct programs that represented as many diverse forms as we had access to through the submission process.

[UN]W.R.A.P. Co-Curators
Michelle Bernier and Michelle Ellsworth

Charlotte York Irey Theatre, University Theatre Building Sept. 22 at 7:30 p.m. and Sept. 24 at 2 p.m. (A) Sept. 23 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. (B)

Be engaged. Be inspired. Be here.

Be Boulder.

Program A

Sept. 22: Installations at 7 p.m. and curtain at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 24: Installations at 1:30 p.m. and curtain at 2 p.m.

Live Performance

Father's Day/Free Land in KS (2015)

Choreography, text, video and performance byJoy Fre	ench
Sound Design by	man

Description: An interdisciplinary performance piece about the story of fading rural townships and misplaced family lore.

Screenings

Wake

2016, Canada, 6 min. Directed by Katherine Macnaughton

Separate Sentences

2016, United States, 15 min.

Directed by Amie Dowling and Austin Forbord

re: to resolve

2017, United States, 4 min. Directed by Olivia Dwyer

Stopgap in Stop Motion

2016, United Kingdom, 5 min. Directed by Stephen Featherstone

-Intermission-

Panel Discussion

Cara Hagan, Moderator (Sept. 22) Erika Randall, Moderator (Sept. 24)

SEE | OBEY

2015, Finland, 15 min. Directed by Jouka Valkama

Women in Cities

2017, United States, 2 min. Directed by Rosie Trump

Chimera

2016, France, 2 min. Directed by Steven Briand

Cold Storage

2016, Finland, 9 min. Directed by Thomas Freundlich

Installations

Since the Silence

2016, Canada, 10 min. Directed by Thomas Corriveau

Some Stories Are True That Never Happened

2016, United States, 6 min. Directed by Renata Sheppard

WOMB

2016, Switzerland, 32 min. Directed by Gilles Jobin

may I? remix#

2017, Portugal, 4 min. Directed by Vasco Diogo

NU BODY

2016, United Kingdom, 9 min. Directed by Sonia Sabri

Enter Face

2016, United States, 3 min. Directed by Clare Schweitzer

Program B

Sept. 23, matinee: Installations at 1:30 p.m. and curtain at 2 p.m. Sept. 23, evening: Installations at 7 p.m. and curtain at 7:30 p.m.

Live Performance

Wild-er-ness (2017)

Directed byAna Baer, Heike Salzer	Choreography and Dancing byHeike Salzer, Michelle Nance
Produced byWECreateProductions	Cinematography byAna Baer

Description: Inspired by the lushness of the North Yorkshire Moors, WECreate Productions embarks on a new exploration of space. "Wild-er-ness" is a blend of site specific and site adaptive material intimately woven into a multidisciplinary performance in the intersection of dance, video, music and fashion design.

Screenings

Dear Good Son

2017, Israel, 4 min. Direted by Or Meir Schraiebr and Omri Drumlevich

SONDER

2016, Romania, 12 min.

Directed by Simona Deaconescu

We Shall Trip The Light Fantastic

2017, N/A, 3 min. Directed by Lucy Cash

TAKE YOUR TIME

2017, United States, 5 min.
Directed by Max Sachar and Natasha Adorlee Johnson

-Intermission-

Panel Discussion

Cara Hagan, Moderator (2:00 p.m.) Erika Randall, Moderator (7:30 p.m.)

GIMP GAIT

2016, United States, 5 min.
Directed by Pioneer Winter and Tabatha Mudra

Beloved

2016, United States, 9 min. Directed by Joy French

Amuse

2016, Netherlands, 6 min. Directed by Ivo van Aart

JONAH

2016, United States, 5 min. Directed by Andrew Michael Ellis

Cold Storage

2016, Finland, 9 min. Directed by Thomas Freundlich

Installations

Plow Plant Reap

2015, United States, 13 mins. Direted by Marta Renzi

Syncretic Noise

2016, United States, 4 min. Directed by Stephen Bullen

Black Out

2017, Switzerland, 17 min. Directed by Phillippe Saire

Gaslight (Three sections)

2017, United States, 16 min. Directed by Mimi Garrard

Teahm Beahm Installations

more/self/less

More

2013, dance film Performed by Erika Randall

Directed by Daniel Beahm and Erika Randall Beahm · Costume Design and Production by Markas Henry Produced by Teahm Beahm · Cinematography by Daniel Beahm · Sound score by Jonas Bendsen

Pressures of "producing" take on new meaning after pumping milk between power meetings in airplane bathrooms and gas station stalls. is an experimental, sci-fi peek into the extremes that shape the internal world of one woman who endeavors to "have it all." Dressed in a gown of 200 milk jugs with a tricked-out 1950's vacuum cleaner modified into a breast pump, our heroine is a human machine of hyper-production, drained and afloat in the liminal space between dreams and reality. More has screened around the globe and took a Top Ten award (juried) at the Facade Film Festival 2014 in Plovdiv, Bulgaria.

Self Defense

2012, dance film
Performed by Jadd Tank
Directed by Daniel Beahm and Erika Randall Beahm · Costume Design and Production by Ted Stark
Produced by Teahm Beahm · Cinematography by Daniel Beahm · Sound score by Jonas Bendsen

Sometimes the hardest person to keep safe from is your self. Distinct locations express the dancer's interior landscapes, revealing the secrets he tries so hard to protect. Self Defense has screened at festivals around the world and took a Top Ten award (juried) at the Facade Film Festival 2013 in Ploydiv, Bulgaria.

Less

2015, dance film
Performed by Samantha Lysaght
Directed by Daniel Beahm and Erika Randall Beahm · Costume Design and Production by Markas Henry
Produced by Teahm Beahm · Cinematography by Daniel Beahm
Music: Le Rossingol ("The Nightingale") by Franz Liszt, performed for harp by Emily Levin

A lush and melancholic work of memory and forgetting, Less vacillates between quiet, contemplative imagery (pieces of a letter falling overhead like snow, cotton candy savored at a funeral, a slow-motion ride on a carousel) and rapid-fire, gesture-rich dancing. Wearing a classical-length tutu made of office binder clips, a solo dancer explores notions of nostalgia, sensation, and grief as she moves through virtuosic phrases and theatrical vignettes. Photographs are clipped into and released from the skirt, the costume physically and metaphorically replicating notions of emotional scrapbooking and loss. Inspired by Randall's aunt's struggle with Bulbar ALS, Less borrows gestures from a body that is deteriorating at a rapid pace while the mind still grasps at an active, vibrant, and sensual history.

Sans Souci would like to deliver a special thanks to its tireless crew of wonderful humans:

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Ana Baer, Artistic Director
Michelle Bernier, Executive Director
Michelle Ellsworth and Brandi Mathis, Founders
David Leserman, Executive Director Emeritus

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Curation Team

Ana Baer, Michelle Bernier Heike Salzer, Adam Sekuler

Biographies

Joy French is a dancer, choreographer, videographer and producer. After earning her MFA in Performance and Choreography at the University of Colorado Boulder, Joy moved to Missoula, MT and in 2011 founded Bare Bait Dance—currently Montana's only professional contemporary dance company. In addition to BBD, Joy is on faculty at The University of Montana, teaches in Missoula high school's through BBD's MoDE program and has been performing professionally with Headwaters Dance Co. and the CoMotion Dance Project. Beyond Montana, Joy taught and creatively collaborated with Bellingham Repertory Dance, Perry-Mansfield Performing Arts School, and Ursinus College.

A Mexican video-choreographer living in the USA, **Ana Baer**'s work encompasses screendance, choreography and interdisciplinary performances. Internationally active since 1990, she has been commissioned to create work in Chile, Costa Rica, Uruguay, Guatemala, Greece, Spain, France and multiple venues in Germany, UK, Mexico and USA. Mrs. Baer is a founding member ofAvant Media and Merge Dance Company, and has been Artistic co-Director of Sans Souci Festival of Dance Cinema since 2004. In 2014, she co-founded WECreate Productions with Heike Salzer. She is currently on Faculty Texas State University. www.anabaer.com

Michelle Nance is a Professor and Director of Dance at Texas State University in San Marcos. She has enjoyed many years of making dance works collaboratively with colleagues and students, performing in the U.S. and abroad. Michelle has studied and taught the technique of Erick Hawkins extensively, and served as the Assistant School Director for the Erick Hawkins School of Dance in the mid-nineties. She also enjoys dabbling in improvisation, site-specific dance, somatic practices and collaborations in screen dance projects with Ana Baer and Heike Salzer. She holds a MFA from the University of Colorado Boulder.

Heike Salzer is a German dance artist, and has lived and worked in several countries in Europe. Under the name of Salts, she collaborates with international artists and her screendances, installations and choreographies have been invited to numerous international venues and festivals. Together with Ana Baer, she co-founded WECreate Productions in 2014. Heike is on the board of the Sans Souci Festival of Dance Cinema, CO (US) and co-directed Tees Dance Film Fest (UK) in 2015/16. She is Senior Lecturer in Dance Professional Practice at the University of Roehampton (UK) and is currently undertaking a PhD by publication. www.salts.nl

Cara Hagan is an interdisciplinary artist whose practice is informed by movement, words and digital space. Ms. Hagan has the pleasure of sharing her artistic pursuits across the United States and abroad. Most recently, Cara has set choreographic works on students at the UNC School of the Arts, Missouri State University and on professional dancers at the Dance Barn Festival in Battle Lake, MN. Her recent guest residencies have included Thirak India, where she taught, performed and lectured across the north region of India, and at James Madison University, where she taught a series of workshops on dance film. Furthermore, Cara has made recent performance appearances at the Asheville Wordfest, the Taos Poetry Festival, the On Site/In Sight Dance Festival and the Visual Art Exchange, Raleigh. A recipient of several grants and awards, Cara recently received a 2014-2015 NCAC Choreographic Fellowship Award, a 2015 Sustainability in the Arts Grant and a 2015-2016 University Research Council Grant, Ms. Hagan serves on the dance studies faculty at Appalachian State University, as well as serving as director and curator for ADF's Movies By Movers, an annual, international dance film festival that hosts events at both the American Dance Festival and Appalachian State University. Cara's scholarly and creative work can be found in various publications. including the Snapdragon Journal of Art and Healing, Headwaters Journal of Expressive Arts, the International Journal of Screendance and in the book Dance's Duet with the Camera: Motion Pictures, edited

by Telory D. Arendell and Ruth Barnes. Currently, Cara is under contract to complete her first solo authored book through McFarland Publishing.

Erika Randall (MFA, Ohio State University), Associate Professor/Chair of Theatre & Dance, University of Colorado Boulder. Erika has worked with Teena Marie Custer, Megan Odom, Sydney Skybetter, Michelle Ellsworth, Sara Hook, David Parker, the Mark Morris Dance Group and Buglisi/ Foreman Dance. Erika's choreography for stage has been seen in four countries and over a dozen states. Her dancefilms, "Less," "More", "Self Defense" and "Down for the Count," created with collaborators, Daniel Beahm and Markas Henry, have screened at festivals like the Sans Souci Dance Cinema Festival, the Starz Denver Film Festival, the Florence GLBT Film Festival in Italy and the Façade Film Festival in Bulgaria. Their awardwinning feature film, Leading Ladies, played 65 festivals worldwide.

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