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ImPulsTanz 2024: Booking start for 254 workshops and research projects

From 11 July to 11 August 2024, the 41st edition of the ImPulsTanz – Vienna International Dance Festival brings more than four weeks of dance encounters in 254 workshops and research projects to Vienna. 157 national and international teachers invite dance enthusiasts from all over the world to try things out at 17 departments such as Improvisation, Jazz, Contemporary, HipHop, Ballett and Modern. The festival welcomes many newcomers, including Aisha Comissiong, Farah Deen, Niall Jones, Michaela Kratky, nora chipaumire and Sophia Rodríguez. All-time favourites such as Doris Uhlich, Alleyne Dance and Sri Louise are also back. And the free Public Moves outdoor dance classes are offered from May to August – in Klagenfurt, Linz, Salzburg and Vienna.

All workshops and research projects can be booked from 24 April onwards at www.impulstanz.com and the Workshop Office! The programme of the first locations of Public Moves can also be found online from 24 April.

Dancing is back at the workshop centre at Arsenal, which has grown by three studios due to construction work. There are **13 studios** to celebrate dance and movement – sweating on the dance floors or bobbing to the beat as you watch. Opportunities for the latter include **open door events** at free admission such as «impressions'24» on 14 July, the Freestyle Dance Contest on 3 August, «expressions'24» on 10 August or the numerous showings, jams and talks.

This year you can look forward to 36 new names and people who bring a breath of fresh air to Arsenal. **Ariel Douglas** presents the cultural phenomenon of Limbo. **Sonja Pregrad** entices with karaoke and drag. **Aisha Comissiong** dances to the *Afro-Caribbean Rhythmic Explosion*. **Jr Maddripp** introduces the Krump dance style. **Marie Kaae** grooves in *House Dance*. But what would the festival be without its long-time companions. **Terence Lewis** brings sparkling Bollywood starlets to life. **Libby Farr** unfolds the beauty of ballet. **Salim Gauwloos**inspires with his meditative *Contemporary Jazz* classes. **Bruce Taylor** follows the impulse of movement. **Risa Steinberg** teaches how to let go. **Joe Alegados**trengthens the connection to the earth. And with **Christopher Matthews'** *A Queer Houseparty*, one can hang out like a teenager again – without a care in the world.

This year's workshop programme is also dedicated to the concept of care. **Perel & Elizabeth Ward** offer time together for care, while **Julischka Stengele** teaches how to look closely. **Anya Cloud & Makisig Akin** sing queer love songs and **Simon Mayer** celebrates a 'We-care-Party'. **Keith Hennessy & Ishmael Houston-Jones**create an empathetic experience despite crises. And with **Claire Lefèvre**, we take a nap together, read to each other and paint each other's nails.

Susanne Bentley's workshop *Wise 'n' Wild* reveals: the Golden Age workshops for people over 60 are also taught this year. Sabina Holzer ignites the inner fire with Core Strength Vinyasa Yoga. Sofie Douda is travelling to the Caribbean with Cumbia, Merengue and Reggaeton. Fabiana Pastorini dances with TCM for better health. The majority of ImPulsTanz workshops are open to people with disabilities. Urša Urbančič returns with an open level course *No Borders* for artists with and without disabilities. Lee Méir creates textile choreographies. And Krõõt Juurak & Vera Rosner once again invite to their *Fashion Performance*.

Together with Dschungel Wien, ImPulsTanz is once again inviting children and young people aged between 3.5 and 18 years to **13 Shake the Break** workshops. While **Cecilia Kukua** offers an animal-themed adventure, **Suni Löschner** tells of dolphins and bubbles. With **Sarah Gaderer** you are as strong as a snail and with **Johanna Figl & Martina Rösler** one transforms into a *Power Animal*. And for all HipHop fans, **Markus Eggensperger**, **Ákos Hargitay** and **Attila Zanin** offer the coolest moves.

The free open-air dance classes **Public Moves** are back! Even before the festival starts, the programme is expanding beyond Vienna's borders for the first time: In Klagenfurt, Linz and Salzburg, local artists such as **Anna Hein, Farah Deen, Silke Grabinger** and **Simon Mayer** meet stars from the international dance scene like **Alleyne Dance** and **Daybee Dorzile aka Daybee Dee**from the end of May to mid-July – creating a great atmosphere. And from 8 June, **Kafeela Ade**, **Akemi Takeya**, **Alex Franz Zehetbauer**, **Stéphane Peeps** and **Frédéric Gies**, among others, are performing at seven locations in Vienna – starting at Seestadt.