

Thursday, August 4, 2022

Annie Rigney || The Playground NYC

Company: THE PLAYGROUND NYC

Venue: Gibney

Location: New York, NY

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Thursday, 08/04 || 12:00-1:45pm, \$6

Gibney Dance: Agnes Varis Performing Arts Center, 280 Broadway, NYC

Entrance 53A Chambers Street

The Playground NYC allows dancers to experience various choreographic styles and ideas, engage with a new community of dancers, and gather resourceful information and inspiration from the array of choreographers involved. In turn, established choreographers are paid for their creative investigations, are given free space to explore new movements with professional dancers, and are provided with the opportunity to establish relationships with new dancers and fellow choreographers.

Class description:

Annie's classwork and movement practice is sensorial, anatomic, and energetic. It hovers at the meeting point of somatics and virtuosity and aims to help dancers unlock their physical potential while giving them tools for efficiency of effort and self-treatment for injury. Class will explore the many inherent pathways of the body, the communication between parts, distribution of tone and texture, and the connection to our sensation, imagination, and sense of freedom and play.

Bio:

Annie Rigney is a New York based dancer, choreographer, Gaga teacher and Ilan Lev therapist. She is an Alumnus of the Conservatory of Dance at SUNY Purchase. Annie danced with the Batsheva Ensemble under the artistic direction of Ohad Naharin. She toured internationally with Inbal Pinto and Avshalom Pollak Dance Company and was a cast member of Punchdrunk's immersive theater production, Sleep No More, from 2015-2019. She has freelanced with LeeSaar the Company, Zoe Schofield, and Gallim Dance. Annie is a certified Gaga teacher and teaches regularly at Gibney Dance Center, Mark Morris Dance Center, and is an adjunct professor at University of the Arts and SUNY Purchase. She is the director of the Ilan Lev Method Training program in New York and treats dancers for injuries and functional limitations. Annie was a guest choreographer for the Fall Concert at SUNY Purchase 2021 and her work has been presented by Batsheva Studios in Tel Aviv, at the Joyce Soho, Arts on Site, at Greenspace DanceNow(NYC), the Berkeley Repertory Theater, and the University of the Arts. Her choreographic work, "Galiathea" was recently featured as a part of the 92nd Street Y's Future Dance Festival and was presented at The Joyce by the Martha Graham Dance Company.

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