

April, 7-12, 2015

Stephen Petronio Company's 2015 Joyce Season

Company: Inaugural season of "Bloodlines"
 Venue: The Joyce Theater
 Location: New York, NY

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Pictured: Melissa Toogood and Joshua Tuason; Photo: Yi-Chun Wu

The Stephen Petronio Company's 30th anniversary culminates in transformation: the launch of *Bloodlines*, a five-year project to incorporate works by trailblazers of American postmodern dance into the Company's repertory and present them alongside new works by Stephen Petronio. The first season pairs *RainForest*, Merce Cunningham's iconic, 20th-century masterpiece, with *Locomotor/Non Locomotor*, Petronio's now complete two-part work.

Merce Cunningham's *RainForest* is a spare and bracing foray into animal abstract motion and sound, set loose amidst a world of floating silver pillows. *RainForest* features an electronic score composed by David Tudor performed live by John Driscoll, Phil Edelstein, Matt Rogalsky, and Stephan Moore (two musicians perform each evening), and visual design by Andy Warhol.

Also on the program is Petronio's *Locomotor/Non Locomotor*. Last season's *Locomotor* cast Petronio's virtuosic dancers careening forward and backward through time and space. *Non Locomotor*, a companion work and world premiere, explores movement deep within a torquing center, sending surges of action throughout the body while stationary in space. The full two-part work features an original score by electronic pioneer Clams Casino (Michael Volpe), with vocal elements by the Young People's Chorus of New York City, costumes by Narciso Rodriguez, one of America's foremost designers; and lighting design by Petronio's longtime collaborator Ken Tabachnick.

The Stephen Petronio Company dancers are Davalois Fearon, Gino Grenek, Barrington Hinds, Jaqlin Medlock, Nicholas Sciscione, Emily Stone, and Joshua Tuason. Guest dancer Melissa Toogood, a former Merce Cunningham dancer, performs with the Company.

Inaugural season of "Bloodlines"
 175 Eighth Avenue at 19th Street
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Schedule
 April 7, 2015: 7:30pm
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