

May, 17-20, 2021

## THE BRIDGE ~ Nai-Ni Chen Virtual Dance Institute (free!)

Company: NAI-NI CHEN DANCE COMPANY

Venue: Online

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NAI-NI CHEN DANCE COMPANY

THE BRIDGE~~

Nai-Ni Chen Virtual Dance Institute

of boundary-breaking dance experiences from leading dance makers and teachers from diverse communities

This week's guest artists:

Christian Mintah + Andrij Cybyk

Open to All Dancers at an Intermediate to Advanced Level

~meet the artists after the class~

Monday through Friday at 11:00 AM EST

Free 1-hour Virtual Master Class!

*"In this trying time of uncertainty, the arts are needed as a source of healing. We would like to please encourage everyone to support dance because it can be an essential medicine for society to recover from the pandemic that has caused injury to our bodies and our hearts."*

### ~~Upcoming Sessions on The Bridge

~Mon. May 17, 11AM EST

~Kinetic Spiral with Yuka Notsuka

Tap into the creative energy of the universe through Kinetic Spiral. Nai-Ni Chen's signature technique is based on the principle of ever-changing universal forces of Yin and Yang. Dance phrases from Nai-Ni Chen's repertory will be taught by Yuka Notsuka who is a member of the Nai-Ni Chen Dance Company.

~Tues. May 18, 11AM EST

~Christian Mintah teaches West African Dance

An exploration of West African Dance with Christian Mintah. Christian Mintah is a dancer/choreographer trained in Ghanaian (West African) traditional dances, African Contemporary dances, and popular African dance (now commonly known as Afrobeat dance). He has choreographed for singer Adina from Ghana and worked with Lil Shaker and Kojo Que of BBnZ Live of Ghana in the official dance video for the song, "Mamayie." Christian also performed in many dance productions and music videos such as katso, Asem yi dika, wogb3j3k3, Dum Drum and Use Your Head. Currently, Christian is a third-year MFA in contemporary dance at Case Western Reserve University. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Information Studies and Dance studies from the University of Ghana.

~Wed. May 19, 11AM EST

~Kinetic Spiral with Nai-Ni Chen

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changing universal forces of Yin and Yang. Dance phrases from Nai-Ni Chen's repertory will be taught. Nai-Ni Chen has been hailed as a Spiritual Choreographer by Dance Magazine and is the recipient of multiple choreographic fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts and New Jersey State Council on the Arts. Nai-Ni Chen has been creating dances professionally for over thirty years in the United States. Chen has built a diverse repertory of over 80 original works and toured to major venues in the US and international contemporary dance festivals in 12 countries. She will be teaching her signature technique--KINETIC SPIRAL--which is a blend of the dynamic, ever-evolving spirit of contemporary dance and the grace and splendor of the Chinese artistic traditions.

~Thurs. May 20, 11AM EST

~Andrij Cybyk teaches Ukrainian Dance

Take a Ukrainian Dance class with master teacher Andrij Cybyk . . . Andrij Cybyk has devoted his professional career to the study and performance of traditional dance, largely of the Eurasian Region. He holds the title of Artist of Folk Ballet from the Virski School of Academic Ukrainian Folk Dance in Kyiv, Ukraine. Andrij has toured the world performing the traditional dances of the Eurasian region with companies such as Riverdance, the Duquesne University Tamburitzans, Nai-Ni Chen Dance Company, ALLNATIONS Dance Company, Barynya, and Michael Mao Dance, among others. He is the current Artistic Director of the Iskra Ukrainian Dance Ensemble and Academy of Whippany, NJ.

~Fri. May 21, 11 AM EST

~Kinetic Spiral with Greta Campo

Greta Campo is the Associate Artistic Director of the Nai-Ni Chen Dance Company. She began her dance training in her native Milan at the Carcano Theater, where she was first introduced to Martha Graham's work. She performed with the Martha Graham Dance Company in their 2012 New York Season and later on their international tour. Greta is a recipient of the 2016 Rising Star Award from the Fini Dance Festival.

~~Experience the power of diverse dance!??

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