

Thursday, June 5, 2025

Whim W'Him Seattle Contemporary Dance seeking Choreographers

Company: Whim W'Him Seattle Contemporary Dance
Location: Seattle, WA
Compensation: \$5,000 plus travel and accomodations

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Olivier Wevers

DEADLINE EXTENDED! Applications now due June 30th at 5pm PST.

Whim W'Him dancers, under the artistic direction of Olivier Wevers, seek choreographers to create new dance works for the company's 12th "Choreographic Shindig" in 2026. Selected choreographers will be invited to Seattle to create an original dance with Whim W'Him's 7 professional dancers. Choreographers share 2-3 week residencies, which culminate in 6 public performances of a professional split-bill in Seattle, September 2026.

We are committed to maintaining an inclusive work environment and actively embrace a diversity of people, ideas, talents, and experiences. Whim W'Him will prioritize marginalized and underrepresented communities in the selection process. We encourage these choreographers to apply, including but not limited to BIPOC, members of the LGBTQ+, and people with disabilities.

The Whim W'Him dancers will be curating the program, being fully involved in the selection process. You will hear back about your application by SEPTEMBER 1, 2025.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5PM PST ON MONDAY, JUNE 30th, 2025.

QUESTIONS? Email: karl@whimwhim.org

DETAILS

Choreographer fee of \$5,000; travel and housing will be provided
60 hours of rehearsal space with the Whim W'Him dancers
Professional Lighting Design and Production Stage Management support provided
Budget stipend for costumes, music and other technical needs will be discussed with Artistic Director
Residency weeks during late May, June, July and/or August 2026

DESIRED REQUIREMENTS

All materials must be submitted via [this Google Form](#) only
Resume/CV (PDF only)
3 Video links of recent choreographic works (can be of rehearsals, full works preferred over excerpts, no passwords please. If there are time stamps you'd like us to review specifically, please link to the time or include the times in the video description.)
Artistic Statement/Brief proposal – Video preferred (max 3 min) or written (PDF only)
Choreographers must be at least 18 years old and able to work legally in the USA (U.S. Citizens, Green Card holders, or other visa holders)
Whim W'Him cannot sponsor visas for foreign nationals.

APPLICATION MATERIALS

Please ensure that all video links are accessible without a password and remain live until September 1st, 2025.
Videos with passwords will not be reviewed.
We will not seek out corrections to invalid links.

You will receive a copy of your submission as confirmation of receipt. If you have submitted something incorrectly, please submit a new form with corrected information. We will review the latter submission and delete the former.

PAST CHOREOGRAPHERS

Adam Barruch, Banning Bouldin, Rena Butler, Jonathan Campbell, Mark Caserta, Ethan Colangelo, Chloe Crenshaw, Austin Diaz, Brendan

Duggan, Lauren Edson, Carlos Franquiz, Hannah Garner, Kyra Jean Green, Joseph Hernandez, Dava Huesca, Keerati Jinakunwiphat, Noelle Kayser, Maurya Kerr, Alice Klock, Ana Maria Lucaciu, Joshua Manculich, Adam McGaw, Genna Moroni, Madison Olandt, Joshua L. Peugh, Ihsan Rustem, Bruno Roque, Omar Roman de Jesús, Yoshito Sakuraba, Dolly Sfeir, Mike Tyus, Lea Ved, Nicole von Arx.

ABOUT THE COMPANY

Whim W'Him is an award-winning Seattle-based professional contemporary dance company founded in 2009 by Olivier Wevers, former Pacific Northwest Ballet principal dancer and choreographer, that showcases innovative dance in collaboration with global artists.

MISSION

Whim W'Him nurtures community with contemporary dance by cultivating space for artists to imagine and explore the human condition.

COVID-19 HEALTH AND SAFETY

Whim W'Him will monitor any state/federal regulations regarding COVID-19 or other public health emergencies and align policies with any legal requirements or appropriate guidelines.

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