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February 28 - March 1, 2020

### CounterPointe2020: new collaborations by women choreographers & artists

Company: Norte Maar for Collaborative Projects in the Arts  
Venue: The Mark O'Donnell Theater at The Actors Fund Arts Center  
Location: Brooklyn, NY

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CounterPointe2020:  
new work by women choreographers working with pointe  
and their collaborating visual artists

Fri, Feb 28 at 7:30pm + Post Performance Cast Party  
Sat, Feb 29\* at 7:30pm + Post Performance Q&A with guest moderator  
Sun, Mar 1 at 4pm

[General Admission \\$25 / Students+Seniors \\$20](#)

The Mark O'Donnell Theater at the Actors Fund Arts Center  
160 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn

Directions by Subway:  
A, C, G Train to Hoyt-Schermerhorn. 2, 3 Train to Hoyt Street

Collaborating choreographers and artists:

JoVonna Parks with Maud Bryt

Maiya Redding with Emmaline Payette

Mari Meade with Margaret Lanzetta

Julia Gleich with Mary Schwab

Eryn Renee Young with Niki Lederer

And London CP Alumna

Deborah Kate Norris with Anna Hymas

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\*As we mourn the loss of past artist collaborator, Sarah Bednarek (CP '16 collaboration with choreographer Ursula Verduzco), we will dedicate the February 29th performance to her memory... and her birthday.

About

Brooklyn, NY—Norte Maar in collaboration with Brooklyn Ballet presents CounterPointe, the annual curated performance series featuring

women choreographers making new work on pointe. Series will run three nights at The Actors Fund Arts Center (160 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn, NY).

CounterPointe is an annual performance series dedicated to presenting the latest experimental, innovative, risk-taking choreography that shows a depth of investment in ballet by women dance makers working with the pointe shoe. Investigating new and old territory the series highlights new work, opening up discussion, and creating a forum for women, young or old, emerging or established, to take risks. Since 2016 Norte Maar has paired choreographers with visual artists, presenting their new collaborations at CounterPointe.

Dance luminaries who have moderated a panel discussion following Saturday's CounterPointe have included Karole Armitage, Ashley Boudier, Antonia Franceschi, Claudia Jeschke, Kat Wildish, Gabrielle Lamb, and Kathryn Posin. In 2018 award-winning artist and writer Sharon Butler led the discussion. Stay tuned to find out who will lead a talk back with choreographers and their collaborating artists following the Saturday, February 29 performance of CounterPointe.

The series made its inaugural presentation in Brooklyn at the Actors Fund Arts Center in 2012. In June 2013, the series made its London debut at the Broadway in Barking.

I remember one of my first ideas in these early punk pointe pieces was to think of pointe shoes as weapons. – Karole Armitage, 2013 CounterPointe Panelist

I think what you are doing is fantastic for the continuation of the exploration of choreography on pointe. – Susan Jaffe 2012 CounterPointe guest choreographer

Past choreographers include:

Julia K. Gleich/Gleich Dances  
Lynn Parkerson/Brooklyn Ballet  
Sheena Annalise/Arch Contemporary Ballet  
Nikki Hefko  
Brenda Neville  
Janice Rosario  
Ursula Verduzco  
Alexa Valentine  
Eryn Renee Young/XAOC Contemporary Ballet  
Briar Adams/Hack Ballet  
Carys Applebee  
Deborah Kate Norris  
Jennifer Jackson  
Marie Renee Bennett  
Eve Chan  
Emily Bufferd  
Susan Jaffe  
Morgan McEwen/MorDance  
Sophie Adams/Aisling Cook Ballet Ensemble London  
Mishi Castroverde  
Kristin Draucker  
Kayla Harley  
Jennifer McGinn  
Katie Rose McLaughlin  
Melissa Padham (Brooklyn Contemporary Ballet Collective)  
Donna Salgado  
Elisabeth Schilling  
Genevieve Grady  
Brandi Marsh  
konverjdans  
Margaret Wiss  
Dasha Schwartz  
Zhong-Zing Fang  
Courtney Cochran

Past artists include:

Rachel Beach  
Sarah Bednarek  
Amanda Browder  
Kara Daving  
Michelle Forsyth  
Noël Hennelly  
Elana Herzog  
Leslie Kerby  
Emily Noelle Lambert  
Courtney Pucket  
Lizzie Scott  
Cornelia Thompson  
Jessica Weiss  
Melissa Dadourian  
Audra Wolowiec  
Karen Schifano  
Priscilla Fusco  
Liz Atz  
Lindsay Packer  
Jeri Coppola

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Schedule  
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