

## OUR NEW YORK CITY DANCE

December, 3-4, 2014

## GAP Presents! BAND|portier

Company: Gowanus Art + Production Venue: The Green Building

Location: Brooklyn, NY

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## About the Work

Recognized for rich physical vocabulary and haunting imagery, BANDportier will perform an evening of short works inspired by "Love is the longing for the half of ourselves we have lost" [Milan Kundera's The Unbearable Lightness of Being].

Portier will perform an autobiographical solo, an excerpt from HOUND of Wolves where Self as Character is the premise for this ongoing solo that never wants to be made.

As an Expressionist love-letter to NYC, HORSE sets four performers within the rhythms, displays, and tests of Dressage as a metaphor for social choreography. Ambition and love serve as conceptual desires; as emblems of success and of failure; and as social behaviors that both entangle and liberate the performers. Featuring Anna Adams Stark, Edward Rice, Simon Thomas-Train, and Aya Wilson; and music from Mike Wall and Darren Morse.

Extra Season, initiated as an exercise in identifying creative interpretation and choice-making, examines an unspoken and evolving aesthetic unique to the performers (Meg Madorin, Meghan Frederick, Christina Jane Robson, Laurel Snyder, and Sydnie Liggett) that is driven by the inescapable desire to draw conclusions and to create meaning, both as witness and participant.

## About BAND|portier (Kendra Portier)

BAND is a New York based dance arts group whose goal is to create momentous dance works that siphon the imagination, challenge physicalities, and embed integruous performers via an enthralling and evocative body of work. Established in 2012, BAND has been presented by/at Center for Performance Research (NY), Dixon Place (NY), Dancing Literate Project (NY), Arts By The People (NJ), Dance New Amsterdam (NY), RoofTop Dance (NY), A.U.N.T. S (NY), Chez Bushwick (NY), WIREDarts (NY), CRAWL (NY), Green Street Theatre (MA), Massachusetts Dance Festival (MA), Angers (FR), and received the Bates Dance Festival Emerging Choreographer Residency in 2013. Portier remains a performing member of David Dorfman Dance and Vanessa Justice Dance, and has been a nationally recognized Teaching Artist with multiple educational commissions receiving additional attention.

 $\label{eq:model} \mbox{More information about Artistic Director, Kendra Portier, and BAND can be found at $$\underline{$kendraportier.com}$.}$ 

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