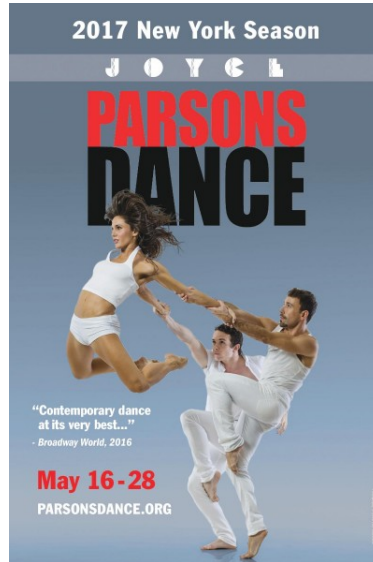


May, 16-28, 2017

Parsons Dance 2017 New York Season

Company: Parsons Dance
Venue: Joyce Theater
Location: New York, NY

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Following the opening performance on May 16, Parsons will hold its annual Gala at The Cabanas at La Sirena in the Maritime Hotel with tickets starting at \$1000. Individual tickets for the Joyce Theater, priced from \$10-\$60, can be purchased by phone at 212-242-0800 or online at www.joyce.org. The Joyce Theater is located at 175 Eighth Avenue at 19th Street.

Celebrated for its virtuosic technique, powerful athleticism and sexy ensemble, Parsons Dance is excited to return to The Joyce Theater's intimate Chelsea home with the world premiere of David Parsons' Hello World. Born from a unique collaboration with Drexel University's Expressive and Creative Interaction Technologies Center (ExCITe) and Dr. Youngmoo Kim, Parsons' Hello World explores the evolution of man and machine. Using highly sophisticated custom-built drones, this work embraces a technology-driven vision of the future.

The company will also present the premiere of UpEnd, a collaboration between Bessie-award winning B-Girl Ephrat Asherie and David Parsons. Together, they infuse the classic Parsons style with elements of street dance, creating a dynamic new movement vocabulary, set to a commissioned score by NYC composer Marty Beller.

Finally, Parsons' company member and GenerationNow Fellow Omar Román de Jesús will premiere his new work, Daniel, inspired by an eye-opening interaction he had while participating in Parsons' educational initiative for dancers on the Autism spectrum. This contemporary piece explores the youthful and uninhibited pursuit of joy.

The program will also feature audience favorites and classics such as Hand Dance, Swing Shift, and the iconic Caught.

This year, the company will present three Family Matinees at The Joyce, offering audiences the kid-friendly repertory of Daniel, Sleep Study, UpEnd, Caught, and In The End, as well as the opportunity to meet the dancers in person. Family Matinees will take place on May 21, 22, and 27 at 2pm.

The company will also present a Relaxed Performance as part of its new Autism Initiative to bring dance to audiences of all abilities, featuring a program of Swing Shift, Sleep Study, Hand Dance, and UpEnd on May 25th at 12:00pm. Tickets for the Relaxed Performance should be arranged directly with Parsons Dance: info@parsonsdance.org.

Parsons Dance
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\$10.00-60.00
<http://www.parsonsdance.org/calendar-2/new-york-city-season/>

Schedule
May 16, 2017: 7:00pm
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May 18, 2017: 8:00pm
May 19, 2017: 8:00pm
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