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Sunday, April 28, 2019 at 4:00pm

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/wē/?/ is a collective study on gender identity through a femme-identifying lens that rids the

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without walls. States of transcendence, embodiment, neutrality and autonomy are explored as MICHİYAYA Dance interweaves thoughts, memories, and dreams.

Choreographed by co-artistic director Anya Clarke with visual and contextual design by co-artistic director Mitsuko Verdery, /wel?/ features the full company of six femme-identifying dance artists: Belinda Adam, Breeanah Breedon, Stephanie Carlos, Nul?ria Martin Fandos, Hannah Seiden, Alexandra Wood, with live sound by performance duo slowdanger. /wel?/ also features lighting design by Alejandro Fajardo and projection design by Jess Medenbach.

"/wel?/ presents journeys through challenging binaries, as the dancers explore queer magic, sexuality, taboo, instinct, intuition and prejudice in the face of social norms," Julieta Varela (Medium). "The dancers, the innovative staging, the complex issues tackled with grace—they all combine to produce work that is provocative and deeply felt," wrote Mary Kaye-Schilling.

/wel?/ will premiere at the Theater at the 14th Street Y (344 E 14th St, New York, NY 10003) on:

Wednesday April 24th: 7:30 PM - invitation-only dress rehearsal  
Thursday April 25th: 7:30 PM - with pre-performance reception at 6:00 pm  
Friday April 26th: 8:00 PM  
  
Saturday April 27th: 7:30 PM  
Sunday April 28th: 4:00 PM - with post-show discussion

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#### About MICHİYAYA Dance

MICHİYAYA Dance is a femme-identifying contemporary dance theater company, co-founded by Anya Clarke and Mitsuko Verdery. Clarke and Verdery are an award-winning, multimedia duo from New York City that synthesize dance and visual art. Their work has been featured by: Yale University, Vice i-D, Brooklyn Museum, THINX, Andy Warhol Museum, Baruch Performing Arts Center, and more. MICHİYAYA Dance has received recognition from the Foundation for Contemporary Arts, Opportunity Fund, and the International REVERBdance Festival. To find out more about /wel?/ visit [michiyadance.org/we-world-premiere](http://michiyadance.org/we-world-premiere) or email us at [directors@michiyadance.org](mailto:directors@michiyadance.org).

#### About The Theater at the 14th Street Y

The Theater at the 14th Street Y focuses on social awareness and change through big picture narrative. Inspired by works that welcome artists of all backgrounds, we place artists at the heart of our community and seek to create an inclusive and open cultural experience for all. Art is incubated here.

#### About the 14th Street Y

The 14th Street Y's philosophy is grounded in the belief that contemporary Jewish sensibilities can be a source of inspiration, connection and learning. No matter what your background, we aim to inspire you to live your best life. We're committed to the development of the whole person, to strengthening family connections and to building inclusive and sustainable communities. The 14th Street Y serves more than 20,000 people annually with a variety of community programs and is proud to be a part of Educational Alliance, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with a 128-year history of serving New Yorkers downtown.

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