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2026  
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**SPRING  
REPERTORY  
CONCERT**

**MARCH 18-22**

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**Kiesha Lalama**

Executive Producer, Pittsburgh Playhouse

Interim Dean of the School of Theatre, Film and Animation, Conservatory of Performing Arts



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Greetings,

Thank you for joining us to support the Conservatory of Performing Arts' 2025/2026 Dance Season here at Point Park University.

We're excited to showcase the exceptional talent of our young artists from our nationally recognized School of Dance through meaningful and thought-provoking works.

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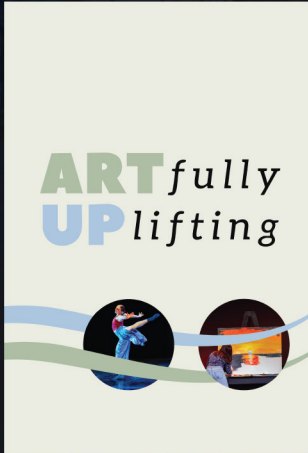
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March 18-22, 2026

Production Photography by Aviana Adams

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Runtime (Program A): Approximately one hour and 25 minutes, including one 15-minute intermission.

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## PROGRAM A

Performed on March 18 at 7:30 p.m. & 21 at 2 p.m.

### ACT I

#### EGO DEATH

*Choreographer:* Jailen Riley

*Music:* "Goldwing" — Billie Eilish; "we can't be friends (wait for your love)" — Ariana Grande; "Venus Fly" — Grimes feat. Janelle Monáe; "1382 Wyclif Gen. II. 7 And Spiride in to the Face of Hym an Entre of Breth of Lijf." — Akira Rabelais; "CRANK" — Slayyyter

*Cast:* Grace Adametz, Mia Centrella, Madison Cunha, Sophia D'Annolfo, Amelia DiClaudio, Jade Pignataro, Miranda Powell, Jacquelin Welch

#### Still/Siempre

*Choreographer:* Sophia Cardenas

*Music:* "A Moment Set Aside" — Max Cooper & Rob Clouth; "Los Juiles" (Cover) — Marijose García Rodríguez, Agustin García Trujillo, Kelton Mock & Ligia Rodríguez Demeneghi

*Cast:* Emma Conley, Marijose García Rodríguez, Carter Gray, Jay Hetherly, Aiyanna Huttleson, Ava Poploski, Lily Smith, Elia Ybarra

#### Radiance Within Unity

*Choreographer:* Imani Ramsundar

*Music:* "Abans Abans" — Marina Herlop; "booboo" — Yaeji

*Cast:* Catherine Cook, Ayana David, Celeste Hernandez, Solana Martinez, Maya Tate, Riley Taylor

#### ECHOES OF US

*Choreographer:* Siara Helsel

*Music:* "Love Me" — JMSN; "Mine" — Beyoncé feat. Drake

*Cast:* Emma Cahalane, Hannah Newcomb, Mia Noel, Lily Osborne, Amber Smith, Niegel White

#### INTERMISSION

### ACT II

#### WATCH ME

*Choreographer:* Shyla Molish

*Music:* "Haunted" — Beyoncé; "Alright" — Victoria Monét

*Cast:* Peyton Campbell, Mikayla Hairston, Cydnee Hart, Loren Schroyer, Kayla Schulenberg

#### it will be...

*Choreographer:* Julia Dominguez

*Music:* "Sun Bleached Flies" — Ethel Cain

*Cast:* Grace Del Prete, Emily O'Steen, Dante Santilli

#### Ambivalent Being

*Choreographer:* Kaitlyn Vivian

*Music:* "The Akara" — Beirut; "Restrictus" — Mario Batakovic; "Music for Weather Elements" — Ezio Bosso, Giacomo Agazzini & Reija Jukic

*Cast:* Carli Barron, Allie Carter, Sophie Gonzales, Gracie Haggerty, Chloe Kolar, Jill Orluk, Ella Weerts

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## PROGRAM B

*Performed on March 19 at 7:30 p.m. & 21 at 7:30 p.m.*

### ACT I

#### **Pas de Six**

*Choreographer:* Rachel Nash

*Music:* Selections by Yan Pang, based on works by Frédéric Chopin and Sergei Rachmaninoff

*Cast:* Sophia Belusko, Anastasia Castleman, Cameron David, Gold Philips, Addison Twohig, Noah Woodiel

#### **Stones Within**

*Choreographer:* Aziyah Batton

*Music:* "Papa Was a Rollin' Stone" — The Temptations

*Cast:* Kayla Atkinson, Daveigh Hedgeman, Aaliyah Hunter, Mikayla Murphy, Jazmin Tanks, Gabrielle Ward

#### **Swing, Swing, Swing!**

*Choreographer:* Elizabeth Stefanick

*Music:* "Minor Swing" — Boilermaker Jazz Band; "King of Swing" — Big Bad Voodoo Daddy

*Cast:* Kathryn Cozza, Julia Kern, Reygan Myers, Hannah Ramos, Morgan Ryder, Jordan Wanuck, Rachel Wise

#### **Embrace**

*Choreographer:* Ilaria Strucker

*Music:* "Duet" — Steve Reich, Daniel Hope, Simos Papanas & Kammerorchester Basel; "Etude No. 2" — Philip Glass; "In the Upper Room: Dance IX" — Philip Glass, Michael Riesman & The Philip Glass Ensemble

*Cast:* Georgie Bethea, Sayre Kurecian, Amelie La Rosa, Molly Lusty, Elizabeth Miles, Ethan Purnford, Jessica Schneider

### INTERMISSION

### ACT II

#### **In Their Own Rhythm**

*Choreographer:* Elizabeth Woodberry

*Assistant Choreographer:* Gianna Currie

*Music:* "In the Mood" — Empress Orchestra; "Danke Schoen" — Wayne Newton; "At Last" — Etta James; "La vie en rose" — Louis Armstrong and His Orchestra; "I Got Rhythm" — Bobby Darin

*Cast:* Sara Bonilla Marulanda, Reilly Fernandes, David Garcia, Gracen Godfrey (Swing), Lauren Hipp, Dani Kirsch, Lincoln Kosyla, Mireya Lebron, Nathanael Martin, Isabella Rodgaard, David Salinas

#### **As I Recall**

*Choreographer:* Carson Russo

*Music:* "Basie - Straight Ahead" — Count Basie and His Orchestra

*Cast:* Leila Clark, Lorelai McCulloch, Benjamin Jacobs, Emma Jurado, Tristalynne Mullenix, Laney Stefanyak, Mylie Uebelacker

## PROGRAM B (CONTINUED)

Performed on March 19 at 7:30 p.m. & 21 at 7:30 p.m.

### Pursuit

Choreographer: Jade Bowen-Jean

Music: "La Citadelle" — Ethel

Cast: Bea Brown, Dani Burren, Sarah Choo, Tatiana DePass, Keoni Malbog-Tan, Ariyanna O'Meally, Cassidy Rossoll, Tamyra Turner

### Un/Common Ground

Choreographer: Chaze Correa

Music: "46 Things I Did Today" — CoH feat. Little Annie; "Lost Angel Nights" — James Blake

Cast: Carlie Brazelle, Ella Carson, Kaylee Deenihan, Madeline Enright, Summer Kaczynski, Emerson Scroggins, Claire Wicinski

### Fragments

Choreographer: Brenna Landa

Music: "HOPE" — NF; "Hope" — Caleb Arrendondo; "Gloaming" — Angus McRae; "Timelapse" — Uno Helmersson, Trondheim Soloists, Mari Samuelsen, Jesper Söderqvist & Gunnar Flagstad

Cast: Polly Dean, Imani Edwards, Logan Flanagan, Emily Hey, Savanna Welch, Autumn Wolfe, Anamaria Zertuche



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## PROGRAM C

*Performed on March 20 at 7:30 p.m. & 22 at 2 p.m.*

### ACT I

#### **What My Hands Couldn't Hold**

*Choreographer:* Zoe Carpenter

*Music:* "Photograph" — Keeley Forsyth; "Bad Magic" — Weyes Blood

*Cast:* Erika Abrahamson, Sophia Barkroot, Hayley Krzysiak, Megan Lundstrom, Mia Risoldi, Aydee Russi, Kelsey Stover

#### **Final Remarks**

*Choreographer:* Jessica Davidson

*Music:* "Woods (Live from Pitchfork Paris Presented by La Blogothèque, Nov 3 2018)" — Bon Iver; "Watching Fireworks" — Brad Oberhofer & Oberhofer; "Crying" — Roy Orbison

*Cast:* Olivia Asanji, Emma Baldwin, Charlotte Daly, Amber Gibson, Abbey Marcovsky, Kaitlyn Scheunemann

#### **In Her Eyes**

*Choreographer:* Ganesa Laguerre

*Music:* "I Think It's Going to Rain Today" — Nina Simone; "Green Eyes" — Erykah Badu

*Cast:* Rylie Eenhuis, Madison Manning, Ixsieliz Mejia, Lilly Sheehan, K'ahna Witcher

#### **Toxic Behavior**

*Choreographer:* Jesse New

*Music:* "I Can See You" — Taylor Swift; "Toxic" — Britney Spears

*Cast:* Jordyn Barrett, Grace Diana, Ella Grogan, Amelia Hoeffler, Karson Ray

### INTERMISSION

### ACT II

#### **Dissonance Dissolving**

*Choreographer:* Destiny Patterson

*Music:* "Time Lapse" — Michael Nyman; "Doomed" — Moses Sumney

*Cast:* Riley Belsterling, Abigail Cardella, Bronson Dahmer, Skylar Greulich, Dakotah Hill, Lucy West

#### **Nexus**

*Choreographer:* Sky Wolff

*Music:* "Minimal Impact (Background)" — VideoHelper; "Blueprint for a Slow Machine" — 65daysofstatic

*Cast:* Julieta Alvarez, Jaela Colon, Melaina Kramer, Siena Mullican, Olivia Tarlton, Jaclyn Vandiver, Blair Witte

#### **Every Living Moment**

*Choreographer:* Makayla Rice

*Music:* "Phalanges" — Various Artists; "Every Living Breathing Moment" — Various Artists

*Cast:* Riley Amey, Olivia Ajayi, Demi Bodine, Julia Doherty, Jada Moore, Brooklyn O'Connor, Damarion Thomas, Leilani Valle, Jazavion White

## PROGRAM C (CONTINUED)

*Performed on March 20 at 7:30 p.m. & 22 at 2 p.m.*

### **Take It With You**

*Choreographer:* Emily Coles

*Music:* "Take It With You" — Cameron Winter; "Cannock Chase" — Labi Siffre

*Cast:* Layla Gallegos, Margot Herridge, Nevada Kurtz

### **Selachii**

*Choreographer:* Reuben Brock

*Music:* "Partita for 8 Singers: 1. Allemande" — Caroline Shaw, Roomful of Teeth & Brad Wells

*Cast:* Mia Jamerson, Thomas Perkey, Cameron Redman, Andi Uebelacker

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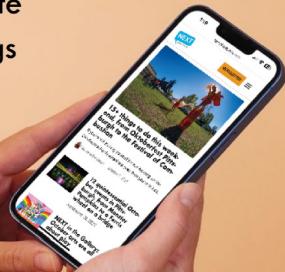
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