

OPEN CALL - PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITY REQUEST FOR SHORT DANCE WORKS

SPRING BLOOMS | The Dance of Life Communities in Mocean Showcase Performance

DEADLINE TO APPLY: Monday, February 5, 2024 - 11:59pm ADT

NOTIFICATION DEADLINE: Monday, February 12, 2024

Spring Blooms | The Dance of Life is a celebration of dance through life's stages featuring the premiere of *Mocean's Communities in Mocean - Older Adult Dance Project* and guest performances by Halifax's professional dance community. Partnering with the Central Library, the performance will take place **Wednesday, March 27 at 7pm at the Paul O'Regan Hall.**

Performance Opportunity: Seeking Two Dance Works

Mocean Dance is looking for two short (up to 15 mins) dance works to share the evening program. Works can be in-development, using frameworks of improvisation, or fully completed. The intention is to provide more sharing platforms and opportunities for performance. The evening will include a talkback, moderated by Co-Artistic Director Sara Coffin, to create exchange and dialogue between artists and audience to share insight to creative practices and inspirations for each work.

Theme: We are looking for dance works that align with the event's theme of *Spring Bloom*, *Dance of Life*. These themes could include (but are not limited to): cycles, celebrations of life, closing and opening, tender possibilities, rising anew, and with joyful tones.

Technical information: Please note: this is an informal, low-tech performance setting. **Only** works with minimal set-up and low technical requirements can be considered.

Venue Information: Paul O'Reagan Hall has a smooth, unsprung floor. We will be covering it with a dance marley. Selected artists will be given a short time (approx. 30 mins) to run the piece in the space before the show. Sound and ambient lighting will be provided; no special lighting available.

SUBMISSION INFORMATION

- Contact Name and Email
- Total Number of Participating Artists
- Names of Key Artists
- Production History (New / Existing)
- Stage of Development (work-in-progress, completed work)
- Movement or Performance Style of the work
- Title of Performance
- Brief Summary of Performance (1-5 sentences)
- Runtime of Performance
- Technical Requirements (Props, Set or change over considerations, if any)
- Link to Support Material URL link of video of work and/or sample
- <u>One image</u> to represent the work

Application Process:

Interested artists are asked to complete the **Application Form.** Up to two works/groups will be selected and artists will be notified by February 12, 2024.

Studio Hours and Mentorship

Selected artists can access 15 hours of studio time at Halifax Dance through Mocean's Company-in-Residence status. Outside-eye support and artistic/choreographic discourse opportunities are also available with Mocean's Artistic Leadership team.

Presentation and Fees:

Selected dance works will be presented at the Communities in Mocean showcase, Spring Blooms | The Dance of Life at the Halifax Central Library, Paul O'Regan Hall on Wednesday, March 27 at 7pm.

Fees: Selected works will receive an honorarium of \$1000.00.

Eligibility:

This opportunity is open to professional dance or movement-based artists/choreographers working in all dance forms. Artists can submit up to two (2) works for consideration. Works or excerpts should be no longer than 15 minutes. We welcome and strongly encourage people from all communities and intersecting identities to apply including Indigenous people, LGBTQIA+ & Two-Spirit people, Black people and people of colour.

Submission Deadline: Monday, February 5, 2024 - 11:59pm ADT Notification: February 12, 2024

PLEASE NOTE: If the Application Form is not an accessible format for you or for any further information or application assistance please email Sara Coffin at saracoffin@moceandance.com

