

FACULTY CHOREOGRAPHED DANCE CONCERT 2015

APRIL 7-11 @ 8PM APRIL 12 @ 2 PM McPherson Theatre 2 Ames Plaza East, Bloomington, IL THE ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF THEATRE ARTS PRESENTS



FACULTY CHOREOGRAPHED DANCE CONCERT 2015

Director

Jean Kerr

Associate Director

Sheri Marley

Choreographers

JEAN KERR Sheri Marley Otis Cook Jessica Riss-Waltrip Dmitri Peskov

Scenic Designer

SYDNEY ACHLER senior BFA Design/Tech

Costume Designer

Marcia K. McDonald USA

Lighting Designer

LAURA GISONDI senior BA Theatre Arts

Sound Designer

CARLOS MEDINA MALDONADO junior BFA Acting

Projection Designer

Stephen Sakowski USA

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There will be no intermission during tonight's performance.

Cast

DANNY ADAMS, sophomore BFA Music Theatre BRITTANY AMBLER, senior BFA Music Theatre KELSEY BEARMAN, junior BFA Music Theatre STEVEN CZAJKOWSKI, junior BFA Music Theatre EVAN DOLAN, junior BFA Music Theatre LARISSA KOWAL, senior Music Education **JORDAN LIPES**, senior BFA Music Theatre ELI MILLER, sophomore BFA Music Theatre HALEY MILLER, sophomore BFA Music Theatre PRISCILLA MOY, senior BFA Acting HEATHER PRIEDHORSKY, senior BFA Music Theatre MADDIE SAVIN, senior English Writing JESSICA SMITH, sophomore Psychology **REBEKAH SMITH**, junior English Literature IAN STEWART, senior BFA Music Theatre ERICA WERNER, junior BFA Music Theatre

Spoken Word Authors

Michael Theune Danny Adams Cathy Gilbert Danielle Kamp Haley Miller Colleen O'Connor Plato Austin Smith

Featuring music by:

Chely Minucci & Mason Williams • Daniel Hope Jeremy Gruner, *junior Music Composition* • Zoe Keating Moby • Pat Metheny • Nigel Standford Sting • Yoshida Brothers

Special Thanks

Illinois State University Theatre —Technical Department IWU Physical Plant

Production Notes

The art of losing isn't hard to master. So says poet Elizabeth Bishop. She's right. We get a lot of practice. We lose change. We lose keys. We lose touch. We might all go pro if not for the fact that loss so often distresses us. Loss of innocence. Loss of hope. You lose your way. But it ain't all bad. Loss of virginity. Loss of preconceptions. You turn fearless. Few things are as devastating and as thrilling as losing your mind. Few things are as constant in our lives as loss.

But at my back I always hear / Time's winged chariot hurrying near. Nothing gold can stay.

The arts offer productive ways for human beings to work through loss—to acknowledge it, to bring it to light, to more fully feel it, perhaps to dispel it, and maybe (just maybe) to redeem it. In dance, the body can learn to move in such a way that shadows become partners. Poetry's words under great pressure can focus the dark, making it multifaceted and beautiful. In music, all those notes, transformed by a breath, a touch, a beat, can turn into a fight song, a swan song, a lullaby.

It is the blight man was born for. Gather ye rosebuds while ye may.

But, of course, each of these arts—those featured in tonight's performance—are themselves powered by loss. Dance moves from finished gesture to next gesture. Poetry, from finished line to next line. Music, from finished stanza to next stanza. And so on, until the final fin. Until such time, though, loss and its mate, Memory, intertwine, weave a shape and a sense that, it turns out, do not quite leave, but rather stay with us a little longer, lingering.

I have promises to keep. Then the letting go. Which makes thy love more strong—

Perhaps paradoxically, Losing It is the result of togetherness and community in the form of collaboration. Five choreographers provided works, each of which explores particular aspects of loss. The dancers not only have brought these dances' movements to life but also often were asked to offer, through writing, their own encounters with loss, and some of these writings have been incorporated into the concert. Designers orchestrated images and color, light and shadow, sound and silence, and created a space for the concert's meditations, its lamentations and celebrations. Poems and some music from Illinois Wesleyan students and alumni contribute to the show's demonstrations and outcries, its delightful surprises and desperate pleas, its strategies to prize lessons from the lessening, to turn loss loose—

I have miles to go before I sleep. To love that well which thou must leave ere long. The signals we give—yes or no, or maybe— / should be clear: the darkness around us is deep.

— Mike Theune

Production Team

Stage Manager	ALI MEEK, senior BFA Design/Tech
Asst. Stage Managers	
Asst. Director	
Asst. Projection Designer	VIANEY SALAZAR, freshman BFA Design/Tech
Scenic Artist	YUKA SEKINE, sophomore BFA Music Theatre
Assoc. Costume Designer	KELSEY VONDERHAAR, senior BA Theatre Arts
Asst. Costume Designer	HANNAH SAGE, freshman BFA Design/Tech
Hair & Makeup Designer	MEGAN RUNYARD, junior BFA Design/Tech
Costume Shop Supervisor	Jeanne Oost
Asst. Costume Shop Supervisor/Sta	aff Stitcher Kera Storrs
Technical Director	Armie Thompson
Properties Master	TESS WISHER, sophomore BA Theatre Arts
Asst. Properties	DEAN CARLSON, sophomore BFA Acting
Master Electrician	BUCKY EMMERLING, junior BFA Acting
Asst. Master Electricians	SUNNIVA HOLMLUND, sophomore BA Theatre Arts KENNY TRAN, sophomore BFA Music Theatre
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