

# 2023 MFA Thesis Festival

Concert Directors: Rebecca Lemme & Danzel Thompson-Stout

March 11, 2023 5:30PM at the Gold Mine Gym

## **buckets** (premiere)

**CHOREOGRAPHY:** AJ Sharp in collaboration with the performers

**MUSIC:** Craig Martinson

**DRUMLINE:** John Brannon, Tanner Dunaway, Anna Dunford, Michael Wise

**COSTUME DESIGN:** Kelsey Vidic

**PERFORMERS:** Cambria Anderson, Brynn Gagne, Brooke Grayton, Natasha Gyulnazaryan, Nichaella Hall, Imran Khan, Christina Morales-Grace, Araceli Rosales, Julia Russell, Karley Taylor, Wilma Tsutsui, Eva Watson, Eliana Wong

March 16, 2023 8PM at the Martha B. Knoebel Dance Theater

## **the serendipitous epiphany: a jubilation on femininity from a LatinX male perspective** (premiere)

**CHOREOGRAPHY:** Santiago Rivera

**MUSICAL ARRANGEMENT AND PERFORMANCE:**

Emanuel Osorio, Andres Ramirez, Teresa Flores Segura

**COSTUME DESIGN:** Kelsey Vidic

**PERFORMERS:** Taylor Bedrin, Emily Boudreau, Niza Gallindo Cardenas, Abril Fajardo, Michael Mendoza, Brandon Garcia Michel, Isaac Montalvo, Esmeralda Ortiz, Alexandra Portillo, Jayde Spiegel, Matteo Torres

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## **Wash** (premiere)

**CHOREOGRAPHY AND POETRY:** Katie Summers

**MUSIC:** "Says" and "A Shimmer" by Nils Frahm; "Rauðsmári" by Jónsi, Sin Fang, Alex Somers, and Kjartan Holm; and original composition by Jordan Fox

**COSTUME DESIGN:** Kelsey Vidic **INSTALLATION:** Stephanie Losleben

**PERFORMERS:** Evie Barakat, Trinity Canga, Eva Anderson, Anessa Davies, Shanti Topzand, Mia Fleming, and Joanne Olivo

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## **how i became kinder, and kinder.** (premiere)

**CHOREOGRAPHY:** Azuki Umeda  
**MUSIC:** Robert Gaar, Lucy Liyou, Azuki Umeda  
**COSTUME DESIGN:** Amanda Grunloh, Kelsey Vidic  
**PERFORMERS:** Jordyn Apostolache, Dante Casarin, Tori Cone, Trinity Massey, Isabella Mendoza, Azuki Umeda, Melissa Valenzuela, Jennifer Vieweg  
**ADDITIONAL PERFORMERS**  
Jackie Escamilla, Jazmine Gregory, Amanda Grunloh, Vivian Vo, Fabian Zuniga

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