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LAMONDANCE UNVEILS ITS NEW SHOW VIVA - A CELEBRATORY SHOW FOR THE COMPANY'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY ON MAY 30 TO JUNE 1, 2019.

North Vancouver, B.C. - Davi Rodrigues, Artistic Director of Lamondance, premieres a new exhibit of dance works called VIVA sharing the stage with five internationally renowned choreographers and presenting dancers from Brazil, France, Colombia and Canada, a collaboration to evoke the senses, VIVA is Lamondance's tenth show and delves into themes of nostalgia, addiction, celebration, children's curiosity, empowerment, farewells, crowds, anticipation, solitary, illusion, and life transformations. Above all VIVA celebrates 'freedom' as a dance form.

"I'm excited about this dance show as it marks our tenth anniversary, and the reinforcement of our commitment to creating shows that will connect with our audience, making them laugh or cry, love or hate, unifying the art of dance with a plastic quality, visual spectacle, and emotional resonance that captivates audiences leaving them with a heightened sense of aliveness.," says Rodrigues.

Lamondance is a Vancouver-based contemporary dance company known to promote artistic excellence, creation, production and performance by supporting, educating and challenging its artists to take risks. With a visionary voice and distinct taste for creativity, Artistic Director Davi Rodrigues created a unique and immersive universe promoting and expanding the reach of professional contemporary dance in North Vancouver.

"My role is to facilitate the evolution of contemporary dance as an art form and to be present within the community as a choreographer and mentor," says Rodrigues.

Former Lamondance dancers have gone on to work with top international companies such as "Batsheva Dance Company" (Tel Aviv, Israel) "São Paulo CIA de dança" (Brazil), "Divinadança" (Brazil), "Nordhausen ballet" (Germany), "Theater Osnabrück" (Germany), "Halle Opera House" (Germany), "Grazer Oper" (Austria), "Tanzkompanie Der Oper Graz" (Germany), Dresden Frankfurt Dance company, "Wen Wei Dance" (Canada) and Gainesville Ballet (USA), 45 Degrees by Cirque du Soleil, among others.

VIVA plays at the BlueShore Financial Centre for the Performing Arts at Capilano University at 8:00 pm on May 30 to June 1, 2019. Tickets \$25 (including service charges) and can be purchased through Lamondance.com

About Lamondance

Lamondance was established in 2009 by Lara Barclay and Monica Proença as a Contemporary Training and Performance company for aspiring professional dancers. Directed by Davi Rodrigues, this two-year contemporary based training program offers dancers the opportunity to immerse themselves in original choreography and to experience the concept of working with a professional dance company. The director, instructors, and choreographers will bring their unique international experience and passion together to guide students toward a career in dance. As well as nurturing young Canadian talent, Lamondance also invites dancers from all over the world to join the program and share their experience and knowledge of dance. This allows for a beautiful cultural exchange between Canadian and worldwide dancers.

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