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FALL 2025

ADVANCED COMPOSITION

Wednesday October 29, 7:30 PM

Thursday, October 30 5:50 PM & 7:30 PM

FALL 2025 **ADVANCED** COMPOSITION

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2025 | 7:30 PM

The Conductor

Choreography: Bella Mills

Music: Composer: Antonio Vivaldi. Track title: Concerto No.4 in F minor, Op.8, RV 297, "L'inverno"

Cast: Emmy Berg, Canaan Blansit, Jaelin Born, Emmy Cheung, Christian De Jesus, Georgia Ehrlich, Emily Fluker, Ava La France, Andrea Rodriguez, Anthony Picarello, Jadon Vo, Stella Wong, Mikaela Zarsky

When self-destructive perfectionism gets in the way of art, the relationship between an artist's idea and their work can become disharmonic. This piece follows what happens when an obsessive conductor's musical creations involuntarily take on a life of their own.

Whenever You're Ready

Choreography: Chris Chun

Music: Original Composition by Victoria Lowe

Cast: Faith Aguilar, Chris Chun, Austin Diaz, Belly Laird, Samiyah Norris, Elizabeth Smiley, Covin Washington

enter a world of chaos and vulnerability where the search is for, but not quite. a shimmer or a pulse, but beware that you may be on the hunt, stay alert and (don't) be frightened, everywhere; when things turn from one, and be still, hold your breath. We welcome you. Enter, Whenever You're Ready

Rat Race

Choreography: Lincoln Seymour

Music: Original Composition by Lincoln Seymour

Cast: Emmy Cheung, Cardin Chung, Emily Fluker, Lucas Go, Avery Jerome, Ella Querrey, Daniel Young, Avery Zerr

Hugo Splitz

Choreography: Carolina Centenera

Music: "Moon Hiker" by Tibi Dabo

Cast: Tyler Chang, Hayden Mucha, Garris Munoz, Quincy Wilson

Baby, we're at the club.

Calm down.

High Tea

Choreography: Cat Cruise

Music: Harpsichord Concerto in A Minor F. 45: 3. *Allegro Ma Non Tanto*

by Wilhelm Friedmann Bach

Cast: Jaelin Born, Enzy Martin, Holly McDowd, Bella Mills, Covin Washington

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Intermission

Exit to the Left

Choreography: Stella Wong

Music: “Binz” by Solange, “Future Lover” by Thee Sacred Souls

Cast: Jaelin Born, Cat Cruise, Ava La France, Belly Laird, Ella Querrey, Mikaela Zarsky, Avery Zerr

Day by Day

Choreography: Andrea Rodriguez

Music: “Crush” by Rowena Fysx, “Don’t Let It Go to Your Head” by Cleo Sol, mixed and mastered by DJ Amo

Cast: Faith Aguilar, Emmy Cheung, Nina Outlaw

Short and Sweet

Choreography: Braylon Browner

Music: “Short And Sweet” by Brittany Howard/Bon Iver

Cast: Caleb Abea, Nyllah Allen, Ryan Amato, Cameron Kennedy, Caroline McAleavey, Andrew Nash, Simone Peterson, Noah Primm, Kiera Redpath

Gripping

Choreography: Andrew Nash

Music: Original composition by Andrew Nash

Cast: Andrew Nash, Ella Querrey, Dilianny Solano, Stella Wong

Big thank you to my wonderful cast and everyone who has supported me.

edge of the shore/ 海岸的那边

Choreography: Peiqi Emily Liu

Music: “Futō” (live session) by Shida Shahabi

Cast: Chris Chun, Cat Cruise, Christian de Jesus, Peiqi Emily Liu, Jadon Vo

the world might as well just rain sardines and mackerels.

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Your Anamnesis

Choreography: Ellery Donlon

Music: Collection of songs composed by the Caretaker & “3 translation of the works of Maurizio Mochetti: No.3 Rebounds” composed by Alvin Lucier — alter ego

Cast: Zuzu Duchon, Belly Laird, Kristina Poon, Eloise Valero, Quincy Wilson, Irena Yin

Anamnesis (a remembrance that brings the past vicariously present).

Find Me

Choreography: Julia Lowe

Music: “On the Run” by AMYRA

Cast: Travon Carter, Chris Chun, Anthony Dessables, Georgia Erlich, Sam Fine, Ava La France, Maliah Howard, Andres Jimenez, Cameron Kennedy, Emma Marcellano, Addison Middleton, Ryan Pecorella, Anthony Picarello, Noah Primm, Hannah Robertson, Mason Walker, Quincy Wilson

lost in darkness, isolated, and invisible to the world around you. It captures the quiet pain of being misunderstood, the emotional repetition, and the ache of reaching out without being seen. At the heart of the project is the haunting idea of “almost” — people almost noticing, almost reaching out, you almost healing. These near-moments of hope and closeness flicker and fade, leaving behind a deeper sense of invisibility and longing.

Post-K

Choreography: Daniel Mangiaracino

Music: “Anything to Fill the Time,” Original Composition by Daniel Mangiaracino

Cast: Carolina Centenera, Cardin Chung, Daniel Mangiaracino, Jalen Scriven

“Good morning everyone, take your seats. Please turn to page 225, where we will be studying”

at last at least

Choreography: Tyler Chang

Music: Original Composition by Gibson Mahnke

Cast: Chris Chun, Tyler Chang

*In the morning I woke up with
Bedheaded Eyes
And my Skin was Stinging
Which is strange because
all I remember was trying to taste the sun*

Intermission

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Pirouette

Choreography: Cardin Chung

Cast: Cardin Chung, Jalen Scriven, Daniel Young

An exploratory excavation into the fragile dichotomies and dialectical tensions between ethics, culture, and the late-capitalist appropriation of anarchy as a performative aesthetic rather than a political stance.

Subject to Projection

Choreography: Ella Querrey

Music: “Ice Shelf” & “Tall Tales” by Mark Pritchard & Thom Yorke

Cast: Holly McDowd, Sam Fine, Luke Barrett, Ryan Pecorella, Lincoln Seymour, Ellery Donlon, Avery Zerr, Emmy Cheung

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Choreography: Ryan Amato

Music: “Fierce” by Azalea Banks, mixed and mastered by Ryan Amato

Cast: Caleb Abea, Emmy Berg, Braylon Browner, Cat Cruise, Kyson Kai, Andrew Nash, Nina Outlaw, Simone Peterson, Mason Walker, Jayde Woodard

Koyaanisqatsi

Choreography: Samiyah Norris

Music: Excerpts from “Koyaanisqatsi” & “Vessels” by Philip Glass

Cast: Chris Chun, Mason Walker, Covin Washington

straying from what is... but is this stray worth the damage or the reward?

Missing File

Choreography: Kyson Kai

Music: “Hyperballad” by Björk

Cast: Ryan Amato, Jaelin Born, Emily Fluker, Sophia Luu, Megan Matthieu, Katie Tapalaga

@reguluspster - “I love how the tone of this whole song sounds like the moment a ray of hope is slicing through despair”

ETA 5:27pm

Choreography: Mikaela Zarsky

Music: Composed by Andrej Obradovic

Cast: Faith Aguilar, Canaan Blansit, Chris Chun, Sam Fine, Ava La France, Lucas Go, Avery Jerome, Kyson Kai, Bella Mills, Andrew Nash, Anthony Picarello, Andrea Rodriguez, Jalen Scriven, Mason Walker, Stella Wong

Some people say life is a highway. Others insist it’s all about the journey, not the destination. Then there are those who swear by taking the road less traveled. Apparently, everyone’s just really into comparing their life choices to a Toyota Corolla.

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BOOT MIXTAPE

Choreography: Covin Washington

Music: “Absolutely- Ariel Zetina Remix” by Klein Zage, “RHUM” by Jantes, “6 SUR LE DÉ” by Jantes, “5 Inch Heels” by Ariel Zetina & Del Hale Remix, “Wash & Set Leikeli47 mix” by DJ Ninabutterfly

Cast (in order of appearance): Carolina Centenera, Amara Duke, Emma Marcellana, Samiyah Norris, Ryan Pecorella

Check this technique boo xoxo.

Bellos

Choreography: Jalen Scriven

Music: Original Composition by Cardin Chung and Daniel Mangiaracino

Cast: Cat Cruise, Ellery Donlon, Zuzu Duchon, Julia Lowe, Rhaine Marquardt, Izabella Orozco, Ella Querrey, Eloise Valero

Pretty Pleats

Choreography: Ella Melideo

Music: Original Composition by Gabriel Jon Griswold

Cast: John Ledwith, Emily Liu, Ella Melideo, Avery Zerr

Unstructured Together

Choreography: Travon Carter

Music: “The Pioneers (M83 Remix)” by Bloc Party

Cast: Emmy Cheung, Adin Joseph, Samiyah Norris, Covin Washington

A piece exploring the struggle of staying connected when everything feels unstable. Even with support, balance wavers but through that tension focus on the small moments of care and presence.

SPIKED

Choreography: Belly Laird

Music: “Great God Pan” by Sd Laika, “Here Come the Tubular Bells” by Japanese Breakfast, “Diving Woman” by Japanese Breakfast, “Is It Over Now?” by Niecy Blues, Joy Guidry

Costumes: Designed and created by Belly Laird

Cast: Jaelin Born, Tyler Chang, Ellery Donlon, Garris Munoz, Elizabeth Smiley, Mason Walker

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Wait, Suddenly

Choreography: Rhaine Marquardt

Music: Original Composition by Charlie Richardson

Cast: Luke Barrett, Emmy Cheung, Sam Fine, Ella Querrey, Dilianny Solano

Waiting in a moment of deceptive quiet - suppress sudden fractures to this stillness. A profound nothing we hear whilst disruption awaits. Suddenly, it is the beginning to an end. We wait.

Unsaid

Choreography: Emily Fluker

Music: Seccessioni, Pt.1 by Neuf Voix and Skeppsrå by Ljudvägg

Cast: Mason Walker, Avery Zerr

"Non-linear storytelling bends or breaks the timeline itself, forcing the audience to reassemble the story as they watch" -EIDR

ading ko, look at you

Choreography: Faith Aguilar

Music: Collection of audio from myself, my younger brother, and my younger sister,

"Look At You" by Blood Orange

Cast: Christian de Jesus, Eloise Valero, Jadon Vo

For my siblings, my family, my culture, myself. Happy Filipino American History Month :) With love, Ate

What's Left Unsaid

Choreography: Sam Fine

Music: "You and I" by Jeff Buckley with additional composition by Makenna Harding

Cast: Luke Barrett, Canaan Blansit, Sam Cool, Sam Fine, Kali Knewitz, Izabella Orozco, Keira Redpath, Stella Wong

Through movement and distortion, this piece examines the invisible threads of manipulation and the emotional imbalance that shapes human connection.

S#X%D UP

Choreography: Austin Diaz

Music: "Intro" by FLO (feat. Cynthia Erivo), "Diamond Boy (DTM)" by SZA, "Touch me" by Victoria Monét, "SexOnTheBeat" by ADÉLA

Cast: Nyllah Allen, Ava La France, Enzy Martin, Nina Outlaw, Anthony Picarello, Hannah Robertson, Andrea Rodriguez, Covin Washington, Quincy Wilson, Jayde Woodard, Mikaela Zarsky

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