

Devised Dance: Interdisciplinary Solo Creation with Meagan O'Shea



Devised Dance: Interdisciplinary Solo Creation takes the participant through a range of creation techniques researched and developed in Meagan O'Shea's signature solo work. Drawing on techniques and elements of dance improvisation, movement composition, theatre games, Action Theater, clown, physical theatre, character-based choreography and poetic and theatrical writing O'Shea guides participants to create their own map for navigating the creative process, and explores different ways to incorporate interdisciplinary elements into a solo performance piece.

Nationally acclaimed interdisciplinary dance artist **Meagan O'Shea** is best known for her self-solo work. She has developed this workshop from her creative process on her solos **something blue** - "*clever and cunning, with lots of twists and turns for the imagination*" (Paula Citron), and **Coffee for One**.

This workshop is open to performance makers of all kinds who are interested in using physicality as a part of their process. The workshop is presented by **collective (gulp) dance projects** with support from the City of Ottawa.

Workshop

October 11-14, 2007 / Schedule: Th/Fr 6pm-9pm Sat/Sun 12pm-5pm

Participants will show works in progress in an informal setting at the conclusion of the workshop.

Cost: \$175 before Sept 15 / \$200 after

Movement Arts Ottawa / 111a Rideau Street, 3rd Floor, Ottawa

Performances

Sat Oct 13, 8pm

Coffee for One – Meagan O'Shea

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Meagan O'Shea has performed her solos across Canada, in the USA, the UK, and in Europe. "*The first lady of contemporary character dance*" (Toronto Star), O'Shea's solo **Night Stills** gained her critical and public success across Canada. O'Shea was the first graduate from the School of Dance's Professional Contemporary Dance Training Program in 1996. She has studied internationally with many innovative dance and theatre practitioners. Meagan teaches dance, movement, drama, performance and creation to professional artists, students and community movers internationally. www.meaganoshea.ca

"**One of the city's most engaging independent artists**" Toronto Star

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