

LEHIGH VALLEY DANCE

CALENDAR

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 • 8:00 PM

MARTHA GRAHAM DANCE COMPANY

Program: *Immediate Tragedy* (1937) / choreography by Martha Graham, music by Christopher Rountree; *Diversion of Angels* (1948) / choreography by Graham, music by Norman Dello Joio; *Cortege* (2023) / choreography by Baye & Asa, music by Aidan Elias; *Canticle for Innocent Comedians* (1952 and 2022) / choreography by Graham, Sonya Tayeh, and others, music by Jason Moran.

The most celebrated modern dance company in America exemplifies its founder's timeless and uniquely American style of dance—one that has influenced generations of artists and continues to captivate audiences worldwide. The dancers are "technically assured, individual, and, more than most, attuned to their inner emotions" (*The New York Times*) as they carry on pioneering choreographer Martha Graham's legacy with "grace, athleticism, and [a] sense of exuberance" (*Broadway World*). The program features works by Graham, a reimagining of 1952's *Canticle for Innocent Comedians*, and a new work by the acclaimed team of Baye & Asa.

Williams Center for the Arts, Lafayette College
317 Hamilton Street, Easton

Tickets: \$33 / \$6 Students & Youth

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28 • 7:00 PM

MOMIX **ALICE**

Seamlessly blending illusion, acrobatics, magic and whimsy, MOMIX sends audiences flying down the rabbit hole in Moses Pendleton's newest creation, *ALICE*, inspired by Lewis Carroll's classic *Alice in Wonderland*. "I don't intend to retell the whole Alice story," Pendleton says, "but to use it as a taking off point for invention." Join this dazzling company on a mindbending adventure, as Alice encounters time-honored characters including the undulating Caterpillar, a lobster quadrille, frenzied White Rabbits, a mad Queen of Hearts, and a variety of other surprises. Filled with visual splendor and startling creative movement, Alice reveals that nothing in MOMIX's world is as it seems!

Baker Hall at Zoellner Arts Center, Lehigh University
420 E Packer Avenue, Bethlehem

Tickets: \$45-\$35 Adults / \$41-\$32 LVAIC Faculty & Staff / \$36-\$28 Students / Free for LU Students

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College dance workshop opportunity, contact Mark Wilson for more information: mawa20@lehigh.edu

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3 – SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4 • 7:30 PM
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4 – SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5 • 2:00 PM

DESALES UNIVERSITY **EMERGING CHOREOGRAPHERS CONCERT**

The dance season opens with the outstanding choreography of our talented dance majors. This exciting concert celebrates the beauty of human movement with a select group of student choreographers premiering a diverse program of new works. Artistic direction by Julia Mayo. Ages 8+

The Labuda Center for the Performing Arts, Schubert Theatre
2755 Station Avenue, Center Valley

Tickets: \$18 Adults / \$15 Seniors & Students / \$8 LVAIC/DSU Students

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16 – SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18 • 7:00 PM
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19 • 2:00 PM

CEDAR CREST COLLEGE DANCERS DANCEWORKS

DanceWorks is an eclectic blend of ballet, jazz, contemporary and modern featuring original works choreographed and performed by current students. Artistic direction by Sarah Carlson.

**Samuels Theatre at the Tompkins College Center, Cedar Crest College
100 College Drive, Allentown**

Tickets: \$15 Adults / \$10 Seniors / \$5 Students, Children & LVAIC

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16 – FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17 • 8:00 PM
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18 • 2:00 PM, 8:00 PM

MUHLENBERG DANCERS RESET: NEW DANCES

Reset highlights the world premiere work of talented student choreographers, telling stories through movement, in styles ranging from Modern to Tap. Artistic direction by Robyn Watson.

**Dorothy Hess Baker Theatre, Trexler Pavilion, Muhlenberg College
2400 Chew Street, Allentown**

Tickets: \$15 Adults / \$8 Students, Children, LVAIC

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6 • 7:00 PM, 9:00 PM

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7 • 7:00 PM, 9:00 PM

MUHLENBERG DANCERS FALL STUDIO SESSIONS

See world premiere dance in the intimate confines of the Dance Studio Theatre — an exciting venue for innovative choreography.

**Dance Studio Theatre, Trexler Pavilion, Muhlenberg College
2400 Chew Street, Allentown**

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31 • 8:00 PM

EPHRAT ASHERIE DANCE UNDERScoreD

Ephrat Asherie's "movement phrases—compact bursts of choreography with rapid-fire changes in rhythm and gestural articulation—bubble up and dissipate, quickly paving the way for something new" (*The New York Times*). Her fun, lively company's performance of *UnderscoreD* serves as a living archive of five generations of New York City club dancers. It's an exhilarating journey through deeply personal histories; rarely seen archival footage; a vast musical landscape including funk, disco, and house; and decades of dancing through the culturally reflective styles of breaking, hip hop, house, vogue, waacking, and hustle.

**Williams Center for the Arts, Lafayette College
317 Hamilton Street, Easton**

Tickets: \$29 / \$6 Students & Youth

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8 – FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9 • 8:00 PM
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10 • 2:00 PM, 8:00 PM

MUHLENBERG DANCERS IN MOTION

A choreographic tour-de-force from Muhlenberg's dance faculty choreographers and guest artists, including world premiere dance works in Modern, Ballet, Pointe, Tap, and Jazz. Featuring new work by guest artist Tommie-Waheed Evans and artistic direction by Natalie Gotter.

**Paul C. Empie Theatre, Baker Center for the Arts, Muhlenberg College
2400 Chew Street, Allentown**

Tickets: \$15 Adults / \$8 Students, Children, LVAIC

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29 • 7:30 PM

LES BALLETS TROCKADERO DE MONTE CARLO

The world's foremost all-male comic ballet company leaps into the center as part of its landmark 50th anniversary season, featuring gems from their groundbreaking parodies that span the classical ballet canon. Founded in NYC in 1974, the Trocks have grown from their roots in late-late shows in off-Off-Broadway lofts to a global touring sensation. The company dances *en travesti* with razor-sharp wit and breathtaking pointe work. Revered by ballet aficionados as well as by those who don't know a plié from a jeté, they are "a guaranteed hoot for people who know nothing of ballet and an absolute must for those who think they know the originals." (*Sydney Star Observer*)

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FRIDAY, MARCH 15 • 11:00 AM, 7:30 PM

SATURDAY, MARCH 16 • 7:30 PM

SUNDAY, MARCH 17 • 2:00 PM

DESALES UNIVERSITY DANCE ENSEMBLE CONCERT

The annual *Dance Ensemble Concert* showcases an exciting blend of new and innovative choreographic premieres. This stunning event highlights choreography by renowned guest artists as well as our accomplished dance faculty. Presented on our Main Stage, the *Dance Ensemble Concert* is a testament to the amazing versatility and skill of our talented dance majors. Artistic direction by Angela Sigley Grossman. Ages 8+

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FRIDAY, APRIL 5 • 7:30 PM

NIMBUS DANCE NEW WORKS: THE NEW TIDE & SPRING

Nimbus is an award-winning contemporary dance company. In *The New Tide*, choreographer Dawn Marie Bazemore explores the iconic 1940s-50s era photography of Gordon Parks and weaves stunning dancing, history and storytelling set to the transcendent music of the legendary Sam Cooke.

Artistic director Samuel Pott's *Spring* honors Martha Graham's seminal ballet from 1944 by exploring the sense of hope and optimism in Aaron Copland's masterpiece, *Appalachian Spring*, while conveying a contemporary perspective on the continuity of spirit through cycles of seasons in nature and generations of Americans. Lehigh Professor Paul Salerni conducts the live orchestra.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 18 – SATURDAY, APRIL 20 • 7:00 PM

SUNDAY, APRIL 21 • 2:00 PM

CEDAR CREST COLLEGE DANCERS

SPRING DANCES

Cedar Crest College Dance Company presents new works by faculty choreographers and guest artists. Artistic direction by Sarah Carlson.

Samuels Theatre at the Tompkins College Center, Cedar Crest College

100 College Drive, Allentown

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FRIDAY, APRIL 19 – SATURDAY, APRIL 20 • 7:30 PM

MORAVIAN DANCE COMPANY

DANCERS IN CONCERT

Dancers in Concert is an engaging performance featuring original works created by dance faculty, guest artists, and select student choreographers. Artistic direction by Lisa Busfield.

Foy Concert Hall, Hurd Campus, Moravian University

342 Main Street, Bethlehem

Tickets: \$15 / Free with Moravian ID

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