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“ITALIAN DANCE CONNECTION” ANNOUNCES SECOND ANNUAL NYC FESTIVAL WEEK MAY 24-28

New York and Italian Artists To Connect in Weeklong Contemporary Dance Performance and Art Event



L - DaCru Dance Company; R - FLUSSO Dance Project

(New York, NY, April 20, 2016) [***ITALIAN DANCE CONNECTION***](#) (“IDACO nyc”), Vanessa Tamburi, Artistic Director, announced today its **2016 Festival Week, May 24-28, the organization’s second annual contemporary dance and art event in NYC**. A wide variety of artistic styles await audiences with over **20 dance companies, artists and filmmakers** to participate. Dance workshops, creative residencies, thematic roundtables, site specifics, dance performances and an **opening event on May 24th at 6pm at the Italian Cultural Institute, 686 Park Avenue, NYC** are included in the Festival week. Events will be held in various locations; all dance performances are to be held at the [Sheen Center](#), 18 Bleecker Street, NYC. **Performances begin on Wednesday, May 25.**

“IDACO nyc,” founded by **Vanessa Tamburi** and **Enzo Celli**, is curated and produced by FLUSSO dance project in collaboration with the Italian Cultural Institute New York and in partnership with Vivo Ballet – Anabella Lenzu/ DanceDrama – Umanism - INSCENA Festival - Ticino In Danza - Mare Nostrum Elements/ECS – Valentine Celada

The **“IDACO nyc EXPERIENCE” May 25, 26, 27, 28 at 7:30pm** at the Sheen Center, will present work dedicated to the innovative projects of Italian/international choreographers and artists. The **“IDACO nyc EXPERIMENT,” at 5:30pm on May 28** at the Sheen Center, will feature experimental projects focusing on young, emerging Italian/international choreographers and artists. The “Experience & Experiment” evenings will also include film screenings and intermission dance performances in theater-specific spaces.

ITALIAN DANCE CONNECTION, “IDACO nyc,” is a platform for Italian artists visiting and living in New York, and for New York artists who want to take part in a dialogue with Italian culture, exploring and sharing their unique paths through movement, choreography and the visual arts. “IDACO nyc” seeks to encourage networking and artistic research between multiple creative resources, cross cultural boundaries and offer an artistic platform while cultivating a sense of shared identity. The organization hopes to create space for new collaborations and offer a supportive, inspiring and creative environment for dancers, movers, performance artists, video artists, musicians, and all creative people interested in the "art of movement."

“IDACO nyc” 2016 has the theme *ID-ENTITIES*, focusing on the disorienting and stimulating nature of cultural, gender, racial, ethnic and class differences. “IDACO nyc” wishes to contribute to a better understanding of cultural diversity.

THE “IDACO nyc” PROGRAM:

- **OPENING EVENT – ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE Tuesday, May 24 at 6pm** will include a reception, program presentation, video screening and site specific performance. Italian Cultural Institute, 686 Park Avenue. Free and open to the public.
- **“IDACO Nyc ‘EXPERIENCE’” – SHEEN CENTER May 25, 26, 27, 28 at 7:30pm**
Caterina Rago Dance Company NY, DaCru Dance Company IT, FLUSSO dance project NY, KoDance IT, Laccioland Company IT , Anabella Lenzu /DanceDrama NY, Silvia Gribaudo IT, Jennifer Muller / The Works NY, VIVO Ballet IT/US. **AT INTERMISSION:** Amaris Dance NY, Evol – Gessica Cipriano NY - Parcon Project NY
- **“IDACO nyc ‘EXPERIMENT’” – SHEEN CENTER May 28 at 5:30pm** Noemi Di Gregorio and artists NY, Forza Malizia Dance Company NY, Khensani Mathebula & Dancers NY, KoDance IT, Lone King [Projects by Marissa Brown] US; [VESSELS] US **AT INTERMISSION:** Evol – Gessica Cipriano NY

**DOCUMENTARIES AND FILMMAKERS PRESENTING AT IDACO nyc
“EXPERIENCE” and “EXPERIMENT” EVENINGS:**

Luca Ciriello IT, AlphaZTL Company of Dinamic Art/ Vito Alfarano IT, Roberto Casarotto / Operaestate Festival Veneto IT, Virginia Experimental Film US/ Coorpi IT.

TICKETS: <http://sheencenter.org/shows/idaco-nyc-italian-dance-connection/>

General Admission: \$25

Students \$15

Packages: 2 shows: \$45 - 3 shows: \$70 - 4 shows: \$90

“IDACO nyc” Experience/Experiment

The Sheen Center

18 Bleecker Street

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[ABOUT IDACO nyc](#)

“The project IDACO nyc was born with the intent to create a festival to promote Italian contemporary and modern dance in the USA, a concept that hasn’t been thoroughly explored.

In 2015, the first edition of this festival had a strong significance on the audience, stimulating their curiosity by presenting a unique collaboration between American and Italian artists in NYC, working independently or within organizations, coming from different disciplines and using a wide array of media. The curators boldly aimed for connecting artists, cultures, and communities, while presenting exciting work to their audience, bringing inter-cultural dialogue to the forefront, and encouraging a global vision of ART.

In recent years, several Italian artists found a fertile creative ground in NYC, as the considerable stimulation of creative input the city offers represents an opportunity for many to question themselves and to grow. With this intention, IDACO nyc wants to give Italian contemporary dancers and choreographers the opportunity to bring their ideas abroad, connect with local artistic communities in NYC, and have their work seen and acknowledged in the USA.” – Vanessa Tamburi, Co-Founder and Artistic Director, IDACO nyc

“Dance is the hidden language of the soul.” – Martha Graham

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**PROGRAM DETAILS AND LINKS:
IDACO “EXPERIENCE” at the Sheen Center, NYC
May 25 through May 28 , 2016**

Wednesday May 25th, 7:30pm

pre-show [Evol – Gessica Cipriano NY](#)

[Caterina Rago Dance Company NY](#)

[AlphaZTL Company of Dinamic Art/ Vito Alfarano IT \(Film\)](#)

Intermission [Amaris Dance NY](#)

[Silvia Gribaudo IT](#)

[Jennifer Muller / The Works NY](#)

Thursday, May 26th, 7:30pm

pre-show [Evol – Gessica Cipriano NY](#)

Luca Ciriello IT (Film)

[FLUSSO dance project NY](#)

Intermission PARCON project

Virginia Experimental Film/ Coorpi (Film) US/IT

[KoDance IT](#)

Friday, May 27th, 7.30pm

pre-show [Evol – Gessica Cipriano NY](#)

Anna Savanelli IT

Virginia Experimental Film/ Coorpi (Film) US/IT

[Vivo Ballet IT/NY](#)

Intermission PARCON project

[DaCru Dance Company IT](#)

Saturday, May 28th, 7.30pm

pre-show [Evol – Gessica Cipriano NY](#)

[Anabella Lenzu / DanceDrama NY](#)

[KoDance IT](#)

Intermission Operaestate Festival Veneto /Casarotto (Film) IT

[Laccioland Company IT](#)

**IDACO “EXPERIMENT” at the Sheen Center, NYC,
Saturday, May 28 at 5:30pm:**

pre-show [Evol – Gessica Cipriano NY](#)

[Khensani Mathebula & Dancers NY](#)

[Forza Malizia Dance Company NY](#)

[Noemi Di Gregorio and artists NY](#)

Lone King [Projects by Marissa Brown] US

[VESSELS] US

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