



COMMUNITY DANCE FESTIVAL 2021

Creative together

Yhteisö tanssii ry - Community Dance Association organises its sixth festival on the 7th-13th of June 2021. The Festival celebrates the 20th anniversary of the association.

The festival presents long-term projects in different communities with different people and around various topics in Finland. The festival reflects the nature of community dance. In the community dance context, each dancer is being seen, recognised and respected as they are.

The programme of Community Dance Festival consists of dance films, live streamings of discussions and working processes, as well as performances for specific target groups and workshops for example with school groups or The Helsinki Mother and Child Home Association.

Community Dance Festival aims to make the role of community art, especially community dance, visible in the art field. This year the special circumstances defined by the COVID-19 pandemic have been the inspiration for the planning of the festival. To bring community dance projects into new environments and to find new possibilities for working together in the current situation have become the aims of the festival. Therefore, in addition to finalised works, the festival also presents works in progress and conversations related to them.

The festival programme and links for the virtual events will be updated on the association's website and on festival's facebook page: <https://yhteisotanssi.fi/yhteisotanssifestivaali-2020/>, www.facebook.com/yhteisotanssifestivaali

All the events are free of charge.

Festival program:

June 7th at 14.30 - 16.00 (Finnish time) in Zoom

Pia Lindy: Häivähdyksiä muusta - dance workshop

- from 15 years up, open to all levels, pre-registration

June 7th at 18.00 (Finnish time) in Zoom

Pia Lindy & Tuula Sarivaara: Häivähdyksiä muusta - demo performance and discussion (fi)

June 9th at 19.00 (Finnish time) on Youtube channel

TanssiARTesaani: NoCore Untold Process - short film (en)

June 11th at 18 (-21) (Finnish time) in Zoom

**History and future of community dance -discussion and 20th-year celebration (en/fi)
Announcement of the Community Dance Artist of the year 2021 (fi)**

- Keynotes:
 - Christopher Thomson: How did the story begin?
 - Marjo Hämäläinen: How did the story develop?
 - Kirsi Heimonen: Possible Futures?
 - Q & A
- Announcement of the Community Dance Artist of the year 2021
- Anniversary Party

June 13th at 16.00 (Finnish time) in Zoom

Dance group Ihanat: Open rehearsals and discussion (fi)

7. - 20.6.2021 on Youtube channel

Pauliina Aladin & working group: Tanssiva satuhetki - Den dansande sagostunden -short film (fi/sv)

Myrskyryhmä's & Kati Kallio's Dancefilms - Discussion of participatory dance film making (fi, English subtitles)

Events happening before and after the main festival week:

Panel discussion: **Practices of Inclusion and Accessibility in Dance**, as a part of #StopHatredNow event (en), recording available at <https://www.stophatrednow.fi/stream> (Wed 19.5.2021)

TanssiARTesaani: NoCore - Rosebud - virtual performative workshop (en)

Adama Kone, Totte Rautiainen, Annina Tuhkunen & Terhi Vaimala:
Djarabi - Rakastettu - performance for children (0 - 18 months, fi)

Anni Puuperä & Satu Rinnetmäki:
Luonto X - workshop (fi)



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Festival partners:

Zodiak - Center for New Dance, Culture for All Service, Annantalo Arts Centre, Mad House Helsinki, Live Vocational College, Luckan - the Finland-Swedish Information and Cultural Centre, PerformanceSirkus, The Helsinki Mother and Child Home Association, DanceAbility Finland ry (Kaaos Company)

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