



**Martha Graham Dance Company presents the third annual
NEXT@Graham festival, May 7–8, 2019**

New York, NY, April 11, 2019 – The **Martha Graham Dance Company** presents the third annual **NEXT@Graham** festival featuring works by ten choreographers/dance companies in two distinct programs. Performances are Tuesday and Wednesday, May 7–8, at 7pm, at the Martha Graham Studio Theater, 55 Bethune Street (11th floor), in Manhattan.

NEXT@Graham aims to present works from the next generation of exciting choreographers. Artists are selected through a competitive application process overseen by Martha Graham Artistic Director Janet Eilber and a panel that includes choreographers and arts professionals. The works presented in this third edition respond to the Company's season theme: *The EVE Project*, which broadly explores historic and contemporary gender issues as seen in art, social interaction, politics, and commerce.

One choreographer will be selected to participate in the 2019–20 Graham Resident Artist Program, which provides 30 hours of free rehearsal space, a technical rehearsal, and an additional performance opportunity.

The 2019 NEXT@Graham festival is produced by choreographer Amanda Hameline.

2019 NEXT@Graham lineup:

Tuesday, May 7, 7pm

Denisa Musilova | *Panoptikon*

CAN Creative, choreography by Ciara Baldwin and Nathan Bartman | *Rooted*

ColemanCollective, choreography by Cain Coleman and Matthew Perez | *Victoria*

QBC Company, choreography by Tsai Hsi Hung | *Chi*

Abarukas, choreography by Yoshito Sakuraba | *Bernadac*

Wednesday, May 8, 7pm

Matilda Sakamoto | *that's so sweet of you to try to pretend*

Kristina Bermudez | *THIS.YOU*

ARTHROSIS Dance Company, choreography by Penny Diamantopoulou | *1 2 3*

Kate Harpootlian & Artists | *Don't Let Me Be Misunderstood*

Sabrina Wong Dance Company | *For the Price of Five Cows*

Tickets are \$25 in advance/\$30 at the door (students \$15 in advance/\$20 at door), and can be purchased online at marthagraham.org/nextatgraham or by phone at 212-229-9200.

About Martha Graham Dance Company

The Martha Graham Dance Company has been a leader in the development of contemporary dance since its founding in 1926. Today, the Company is embracing a new programming vision that showcases masterpieces by Graham alongside newly commissioned works by contemporary artists. With programs that unite the work of choreographers across time within a rich historical and thematic narrative, the

Company is actively working to create new platforms for contemporary dance and multiple points of access for audiences.

Since its inception, the Martha Graham Dance Company has received international acclaim from audiences in more than 50 countries throughout North and South America, Europe, Africa, Asia, Russia, and the Middle East. The Company has performed at the Metropolitan Opera, Carnegie Hall, the Paris Opera House, Covent Garden, and the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, as well as at the base of the Great Pyramids in Egypt and in the ancient Herod Atticus Theatre on the Acropolis in Athens. In addition, the Company has also produced several award-winning films broadcast on PBS and around the world. www.marthagraham.org.

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