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NEWPORT'S RESIDENT CONTEMPORARY BALLET ANNOUNCES
NEW SERIES OF STREAMING AND ON-DEMAND PERFORMANCES

(Newport, RI)- Island Moving Company, (IMC) Newport's classically trained, contemporary ballet company, announces performance dates and tickets on sale for its new spring repertory production of *TOGETHER IN THIS DREAM- dancing through the digital divide*.

Live streaming performances are scheduled for March 5 & 6 at 7:30 pm, and recorded encore performances will be made available through On-Demand streaming starting March 11. Tickets including both the Live & On-Demand productions are \$35, and \$20 for On-demand only tickets are on sale now at www.islandmovingco.org.

TOGETHER IN THIS DREAM - dancing through the digital divide, "will provide IMC audiences with the thrill of attending Live performance from wherever they choose—adding to our patron's comfort & safety", said IMC Artistic Director, Miki Ohlsen.

The program features two world premiere works, one, "Skeleton Crew" from IMC's Associate Artistic Director, Danielle Genest, and a new work by guest choreographer, Mark Harootian, entitled "Steady Grip". Genest has also set a previous work "Venus and a Crescent Moon" on IMC for the first time. Rounding out the program are restaged works from Colin Connor, Rodney Rivera, and IMC's Artistic Director, Miki Ohlsen.

"These productions demonstrate IMC's resiliency and on-going efforts to provide both the highest level of artistry, safety and convenience for our patrons during the global pandemic, said IMC's Executive Director, Peter Bramante. "As the country and Rhode Island emerge from Covid restrictions, and work toward a future where it will be safe once again to convene audiences, IMC will continue to evaluate and evolve its community programming"

The evening's program is co-curated by Ohlsen & Genest, who notes that *"the works selected for this evening represent not only lush choreography and powerful, athletic dancing IMC is noted for, but also compelling and evocative insights and connections into our common human experience."*

Ohlsen added, *"Combined with IMC's hallmark use of intimate staging, superb dancing, and now our innovative use of digital performance platforms, audience members will be exhilarated by the performance."*

The show will be approximately 60 minutes in length and Live Stream performances will engage creative conversations with artists & audience members immediately following the performances on each of the evenings. The performances will be live-streamed from the Newport Congregational church as part of an on-going partnership between IMC and the non-profit organization that operates the space and oversees the partnerships educational & performance programs in the space.

Now in its 39th season, Island Moving Company (IMC)-- under the leadership of Artistic Director Miki Ohlsen -- has produced and presented dance by a diverse group of some of the world's leading dance-makers and collaborating artists to make original works that leave audiences exhilarated and transfixed. In addition to its mainstage and family series productions, IMC is widely known for its unique approach to experiential and site specific performances as well as innovative use of unconventional venues such as Rosecliff Mansion, Belcourt Castle, S/V Oliver Hazard Perry, and other notable sites across Newport County.

IMC is a non-profit, professional, contemporary ballet company whose mission is to build the cultural, educational and economic vitality of Newport County, RI through dance creation, performance and education.

Founded 1982, IMC has a long history of enriching the cultural fabric of our communities and is comprised of 13 professional dancers, 2 artistic producers, six administrative staff and is governed by a board of 10 community leaders.

Island Moving Company (IMC) serves as a cultural attraction, creative catalyst and educational resource for residents of Newport County, and accessible to all Rhode Islanders.

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