

COME CELEBRATE DANCE WITH US!

Dance Ontario and Kaeja d'Dance present the world premiere of *In Case of Emergency*, a film celebrating the mosaic of our community.

In Case of Emergency celebrates the mosaic of our community by highlighting the history and identity of 18 passionate dance artists practicing a range of dance forms from Flamenco, Contemporary, Men's Fancy Feather, Bharatanatyam and more! Each artist improvised movement of their informed practices inspired by a transformative moment in their childhood that they have been touched by. The film is a kaleidoscope and a collage which honours some of our vibrant and inspirational community.

In Case of Emergency, conceived by Karen and Allen Kaeja and directed by Allen, co-curated with Aria Evans and brilliantly edited by Olya Glotka, will premiere on **September 29th at 7:30 pm EST** with an online presentation. There will be a Q&A with a panel of artists featuring Karen and Allen Kaeja, Aria Evans and Olya Glotka following the screening, hosted by Samara Thompson.

"Through our deeply individual histories and practices, we form a powerful community..."

Allen Kaeja

This project is supported by the Department of Canadian Heritage Support for Live Arts and Music Workers Fund and offered free and open to all.

In preparation of the premiere of Kaeja d'Dance's film *In Case of Emergency* we are offering a unique opportunity to learn how to direct, choreograph, and edit your own short dance film! Led by award-winning choreographer Allen Kaeja, who has created and co-created over 35 dance films.

Participants will develop creative and critical thinking skills as they explore the technical, practical, and artistic challenges involved in producing dance for the screen.

No experience in either dance or film is necessary, just a curiosity and willingness to take on all aspects of the course, from movement and director to camera operator.

***In Case of Emergency* Film Premiere**

Thursday, September 29, 2022 7:30 pm EST

FREE

Register [here](#)

Create a Dance Film with Allen Kaeja

Sunday, September 25th 12:00 pm EST

FREE

Register [here](#)

Participation is completely FREE and open to all. Participants are welcome to make a donation to support our activities.

Come Dance With Us!

About Dance Ontario

Dance Ontario is the province's umbrella dance organization and is central to the diverse sector's communications and networking systems. We provide management training, advice and industry information and interact with the general public on a daily basis promoting members' services and events. We advocate and are an active and thriving force in the dance community with over 700 members across Ontario including professional companies, independent dancers, choreographers and teachers, dance schools and studios, as well as writers, administrators, technicians and other members of Ontario's dance industry. To find out more visit danceontario.ca.

ABOUT KAEJA d'DANCE

Kaeja d'Dance is driven by a commitment to innovation in the performing arts through the expression of dance and gesture. We explore identity, personal stories and the complexity of the human experience by integrating the interconnected mediums of live performance, dance film, and community engagement. Kaeja provides platforms for and fosters the creation of new Canadian professional dance works which are featured locally and internationally that inspire connections between professional artists and the broader community. Established in 1990, Kaeja is driven by two distinct artistic forces, Karen and Allen Kaeja. Kaeja creates award-winning contemporary dance performances for stage, film & communities that have toured the world. The foundation of their stage and film creation began with fifteen years of Holocaust inspired dance works. Allen is the child of a refugee and Holocaust survivor. Kaeja presents local and international dance artists in Toronto through festival platforms, commissions and mentorships, creating

with people of all identities, practices and ages. Passionate engagers of bridging professional and community dance art, Kaeja has received 40+ awards & nominations.

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