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WORLD-RENOWNED PARSONS DANCE TO TAKE THE STAGE OF JORGENSEN CENTER

Thurs, Nov. 14, 2019 at 7:30 pm
Post-Performance Q&A

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STORRS, CT – The internationally-renowned contemporary American dance company, **Parsons Dance**, will visit **UConn’s Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts** on **Thursday evening, November 14**. Founded in 1985 by highly accoladed Artistic Director David Parsons and Tony Award-winning lighting designer Howell Binkley, the company has toured to more than 445 cities, 30 countries, and 5 continents and has performed at such notable venues as The Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Sydney Opera House, Maison de la Danse, Teatro La Fenice, and Teatro Municipal do Rio de Janeiro.

The company performs works selected from the vast and varied repertory of more than 75 works created by David Parsons. The Jorgensen performance will feature their legendary work “Caught,” which features what the New York Times has called Mr. Parsons’ “greatest choreographic discovery,” – a flying dancer. In addition, established choreographers like Trey McIntyre and Monica Bill Barnes are invited to re-stage works from the American canon on its dancers. And, through its newly launched GenerationNOW Fellowship, the company offers commissions to young American choreographers whom Parsons mentors through the creative process. The company is especially proud of an initiative that it launched in 2016--Autism-Friendly Programs, featuring sensory-friendly workshops and relaxed performances for audiences of all abilities.

The performance begins at 7:30 pm and will be followed by a post-performance Q&A session. Doors to the hall open at 7:00 pm.

For more information about the artists please visit: <http://parsonsdance.org/>

Voted Best College or University Performing Arts Center in the Hartford Courant's CTNow, Jorgensen presents 30 to 40 diverse performances each season, from nationally and internationally acclaimed artists and ensembles ranging from classical music to world music and dance, classical ballet and contemporary dance, comedy, family programming and contemporary entertainment.

Jorgensen Center for the Performing Arts is located at 2132 Hillside Road on the UConn campus in Storrs. Tickets for Parsons Dance are now available online: \$15 - \$35, with some discounts available. For tickets and information, go to jorgensen.uconn.edu, or call the Box Office at 860.486.4226, Monday - Friday, 10 am - 5 pm, and 90 minutes prior to events.

IMPORTANT NOTE ON PARKING:

Due to construction on campus, Lot L and half of Lot X will be permanently closed in Fall 2019. Closure of Lot N and the remainder of Lot X will follow in Spring 2020. Convenient \$5 event parking is available in the North Garage. Free parking is also available in Lot F. For a detailed parking map and more information, go to park.uconn.edu.

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