

# Trans Substantiation

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Award-winning choreographer and dancer Sean Dorsey's strongest suit is storytelling. Beautiful lines and muscled skill characterize his work as well, but the drive of it comes from the story. Beginnings, middles, ends, richly described characters, and perfectly painted details are all

standard with Dorsey – that's why his new project is so exciting. *Uncovered: The Diary Project* takes its narrative from the personal journals of transgendered people, notably the diaries of San Franciscan Lou Sullivan. Not every dancemaker could take this complicated, vital primary text and get onstage with something both concrete and moving, but Dorsey, we have no doubt, does it good justice. Dancers Brian Fisher, Juan de la Rosa, and Nol Simonse join Dorsey, while the score is courtesy a team of local trans musicians.

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