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## Sean Dorsey Dance: Making Waves and Dancing Bold



Dance, Sonsheree Giles, Tanya Bello's Project B, Khala Brannigan, Amy Lewis and Raisa Punkki.

Bay Area dance fans have the rare opportunity to see award-winning LGBT dance company Sean Dorsey Dance perform twice in San Francisco this month. Sean Dorsey Dance, directed by transgender choreographer Sean Dorsey, tours extensively, but will be performing at home at two major September dance events...and one of them is free!

Here at the *San Francisco Bay Times* we have long admired Sean Dorsey Dance and its namesake director, who is a visionary, in our opinion, and someone who has for years been at the forefront of both the arts and transgender culture. Regarding the latter, in particular, he has been way ahead of his time, helping to pave the way for individuals like Caitlyn Jenner, seen on our cover this issue.

Sean Dorsey Dance headlines the opening night of the 24th annual West Coast Dance Festival on September 23. The company will perform an excerpt from their new work, *The Missing Generation*, which is based on oral histories from longtime survivors of the early AIDS epidemic. Other artists include Soulskin

On September 26, Sean Dorsey Dance performs a free 1:45 pm matinee mini-show at Yerba Buena Theater at Bay Area Bold, a 2-day summit of arts and culture hosted by the San Francisco Foundation. Sean Dorsey Dance will perform a 30-minute excerpt of *The Missing Generation*. This performance is free to the public and happens on Saturday, September 26, 1:45 pm, at the Yerba Buena

Theater.



“I’m thrilled to perform at these incredible feasts of dance and culture,” Dorsey told the *San Francisco Bay Times*. “The West Wave Dance Festival is a great way for audiences to sample the Bay Area dance scene. And offering audiences a free performance at the gorgeous Yerba Buena Theater is extraordinary.”

“We love touring the country,” added Dorsey, “but there is absolutely nothing like performing at home.”

For more information about these and upcoming Sean Dorsey Dance events, please visit

<http://seandorseydance.com/calendar/current-events/>

