

MEDIA RELEASE: Live Arts Fest Announced for White Box

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***First Ever LIVE ARTS FEST to Take Over
White Box Live Arts Space
April 5-21, 2013***



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**LIVE ARTS FEST BRINGS LIFE TO NEW PERFORMANCE
SPACE AT NTC**

The new White Box, San Diego's freshest performance space, will truly come alive with 13 evenings of live arts, April 5-21. The premiere Live Arts Fest was created and curated by San Diego Dance Theater artistic director Jean Isaacs and the newly formed White Box Collective, a group of local emerging choreographers including Blythe Barton, Anne Gehman, Kerry Greenwood, Maria Juan, Zaquia Mahler Salinas, and Minaqua McPherson. The first annual Live Arts Fest promises access to all types of live art including dance, puppetry, theater, music, light installations and more.



A progressive facility, formerly used as a training center for the military, has been transformed by San Diego Dance Theater into a fully equipped, exceptionally vibrant, all-white performance space. Unlike traditional Black Box theaters, the White Box Space is an ideal, transformable and fresh environment for artists to produce their work. Established with a goal to "foster and support the next generation of artists," the Live Arts Fest is intended to expand the visibility and vitality of the live arts scene in San Diego:

"Most of us, and many of the groups we will present, continually struggle to find performance space for

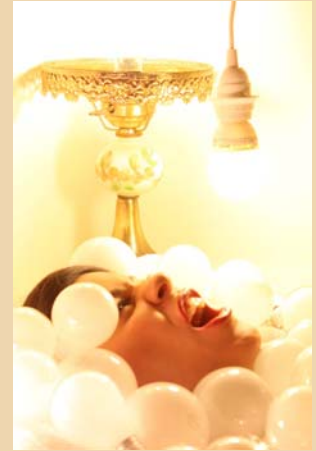


our work," explained **Blythe Barton** a company dancer with San Diego Dance Theater and founder of her own Blythe Barton Dance. "We hope the White Box will provide a home for creative people to experiment, explore and share their work."

The Fest will feature workshops and performances by 24 local, national, and international artists.

Live Arts Fest Features:

youTurn, presents "Light in the Attic: Explorations of Light, Love and Loss." This 3rd annual collaborative event, premieres new works that will transform the White Box into an environment of escapism, imagination, and wonder. Live music and dance, a full light installation, dance video, live mural painting with body canvases, and participatory projection art. Collaborators: **Maria Juan, Anne Gehman, Minaqua McPherson, Blythe Barton.**



"**Woman in the Mirror, A Dancer's Journey**", dancer and Michael Jackson impersonator **Devra Gregory** candidly shares her fascinating life's journey, weaving the thread of her spiritual quests as she seeks to find truth as a woman in a male dominated world. Through storytelling, narration and dance, Devra recounts her personal and professional evolution to become an empowered woman who embodies a male icon.

Margaret Noble presents "**Righteous Exploits**"- Told through a combination of live audio/visual multimedia and performance art, Margaret Noble pulls audiences through a time warp of cultural mishaps that reveal just how dirty the good fight can get when morality competes with survival, and civic duty undermines family.

Also presenting work:

Jerry Hager - Family mime performances of "The Misadventures of Mr. K and his Fantastic Discoveries"

somebodies dance theater - "A Spit of Wax"

Michael Mizerany and Friends - Presenting new and critically acclaimed choreography

San Diego Dance Theater - "Water Lilies / Nymphéas", excerpts from Cabaret Dances

Kira Corser -Creative Catalyst Artist- "The Door is Open: An Intergenerational Dance Project", a video documentary

Joy Davis - Instructor of Countertechnique® present a new solo work

Sarah Larson and Samara Kaplan - Modern dance theater performance of "Like Slow"



White Box Space at NTC @ Liberty Station

2590 Truxtun Road, Second Floor

On the corner of Truxtun Road and Roosevelt Road
San Diego CA 92106

Building 176, adjacent to Dance Place in the NTC Arts & Culture District in Point Loma.

White Box Live Arts Fest Website: sandiegodancetheater.org/whitebox

Free parking!!

All Performances at 7:30 PM (Unless otherwise noted)

Live Arts Fest Tickets:

\$15 Pre-purchase - All Shows Thursday - Sunday

\$20 at the door

\$10 Wednesday - April 10 - Jerry Hager

\$10 Wednesday - April 17 - The Door is Open Documentary film and Senior Dance Performance

Purchase tickets online or at the door. www.sandiegodancetheater.org

Top Photo: somebodies dance theatre, photo by Dave O'leary

Middle Photo: youTurn 2013, "A Light in the Attic"

Bottom Photo: "Tethered" by Michael Mizerany