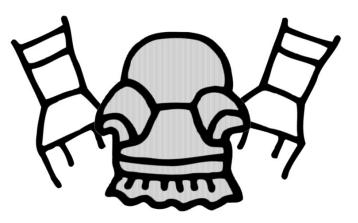
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The Pulse of Performance



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## **TAQ Dance**

## "Tempest in a Teacup"

Tempest in a Teacup is a 25-minute dance-theater piece. Through humor, sincerity, dance-routines, distractions, and fragmented dialogues, six distinct characters bring some of life's existential anxieties to the stage. As this non-linear and abstract world unfolds, the performers grapple with their own unique temperaments and worries, telling stories and helping one another through « risky » physical situations. The performers depict scenes that reference reality, but that challenge its significance and that ask what, if anything, is worth being afraid of.

#### Dancers: Alexis Vinzons, Hannah Hardy, Lucia Flexer-Marshall, Steven Bangerter, Tori Mazzacone, and Yang Sun.

## Choreography by Sasha Marlan-Librett

Sasha Marlan-Librett (she/her) is a NYC-based contemporary dancer and choreographer. Sasha received her BA in Dance and Philosophy from Scripps College ('22). In LA, she collaborated in processes with Rosanna Tavarez, Kevin Williamson, and Rebecca Lemme, among others. Sasha has since performed with Monica Bill Barnes + Co at the American Dance Festival in "The Running Show," and has showcased dance films and live performances in New York at venues such as Gibney, Manhattan Movement & Arts Center, The Tank Theater, Estia Day Fest, and Spring-for-Spring Dance. Her work explores existential themes through dancetheater aesthetics and performs under the name TAQ Dance - These Are Qualia. Music: The music score is edited by Luis Verdin and samples artists such as Chapelier Fou and Antonio Vivaldi.

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## Six Degrees Dance

## "Veils of a Spiraling Demise"

Veils of a Spiraling Demise explores ideas of fear, aggression, anxiety, apathy and the false panacea of distraction as it relates to today's social climate. Performers, shrouded by thin veils of complacency, separate themselves from the world around them in an attempt at safety and protection. But when they remove those veils, what do they see? And how will they respond?

### Dancers: Faustine Lavie, Eilish Henderson, Shuning Huang, Sara Pizzi, Cecy Placenti

# Choreography by: Cecly Placenti

Cecly Placenti received her MA in Dance Education from New York University and her BFA in Dance from Montclair State University. She formed Six Degrees Dance in 2011 while continuing to freelance with several NYC based companies and choreographers. Cecly is Senior Contributor and Associate Editor at The Dance Enthusiast and started the magazine and digital platform Motion by Degrees to spotlight underrepresented movement artists. Cecly was a guest choreographer and teacher at Cicely Tyson School of