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## PRESS RELEASE

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### **Presenting Denver Dance Festival June 23-24, 2018**

#### **15 Artists. 2 Stages. 1 Weekend of Colorado Dance.**

On June 23-24, 2018, Presenting Denver and The Robert and Judi Newman Center for the Performing Arts co-present the inaugural [Presenting Denver Dance Festival](#) at the University of Denver.

The Main Stage concert, “New & Now”, will take place on June 23-24, 2018 in the Byron Flex Theatre. “New & Now” will be a concert of world premieres by Colorado artists Chadash Contemporary Dance Movement, Edgar L. Page, Gregory Gonzales, Hannah Kahn Dance Company, Helanius J. Wilkins, Kristen Demaree, Moraporvida Contemporary Dance, and The Schiff Dance Collective. The Main Stage “New & Now” concert will be on June 23, 2018 at 7:00pm and June 24, 2018 at 2:00pm. The same concert will take place on both dates. General admission tickets to “New & Now” are \$35 per ticket and can be purchased at [www.newmantix.com/pd](http://www.newmantix.com/pd) or the Newman Center Box Office inside The Robert and Judi Newman Center for the Performing Arts located at 2344 East Iliff Avenue, Denver, CO 80210.

The Public Stage concert, “No Walls”, will take place on June 23, 2018 at 4:30pm on the Boettcher Center Lawn. This free, family friendly, outdoor concert will feature new and previously created works by Colorado artists David Taylor’s Zikr Dance Ensemble, Mary Lynn Lewark, Maureen Breeze Dance Theater, Nile H. Russell, Nu-World Contemporary Dance Theatre, Parasol Arts, and Thomas Dance Project. This event is free and open to the public with lawn seating.

Festival Artists were selected by a pool of jurors. [Jurors](#) for the inaugural Presenting Denver Dance Festival were Darrell Anderson, visual artist; Laurence Anthony Curry, actor, dancer and choreographer; Alicia Karczewski, dance educator; Mary Louise Lee, First Lady of Denver and accomplished performer; and Stephen W. Seifert, former Executive Director of the Newman Center for the Performing Arts. Jurors represent a cross section of the dance and arts community in metro Denver.

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