

VERTICAL
DANCE
FORUM

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THE VERTICAL DANCE KIT

OR HOW TO MAKE VERTICAL DANCE YOUR OWN?

MAY 13 - 18, 2019

VAL DE MARNE COUNTY AND PARIS 13ÈME



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THE VERTICAL DANCE KIT

is a **one-week program**. It will offer a full range of encounters and trainings with prominent European choreographers and specialists for various exchange projects including practical training, vertical dance workshops, discussion panels to reflect on the potentials of Vertical Dance as urban art, street acts and live performances. The general participation (discussion panels, live performances etc...) is open to the public to learn more about Vertical Dance and/or get involved.

The VERTICAL DANCE KIT takes place from 13th to 18th May 2019. The meeting is organised by Retouramont / Pôle de Danse Verticale in Charenton-Le-Pont, Vitry-sur-Seine (Val-de-Marne), Vincennes, and Paris.

This event is the 6th meeting of the Vertical Dance Forum, a project produced with the support of the Creative Europe funding program 2017-2019 of the EU.

OUR OBJECTIVE

is both to open a large debate in France and Europe between artists who practice this art form, and to cross our approach with other disciplines and professionals, such as artists, philosophers, scientists, architects, mobility experts etc... We will also connect cultural organisations and institutions who welcome dance, circus, street arts, and mountain climbing... and at the same time offer access to a wide audience.

During this meeting, we will give everyone a chance to discover a «toolbox» that gives the material to explore the verticality of a given territory and the techniques to understand Vertical Dance.

We will find the concept of the kit throughout the event and in all its forms, in areas of the Val-de-Marne county and Paris. Each appointment of the meeting will offer a part of the kit that will put together, such as a puzzle, the full picture of Vertical Dance.

FOR THIS **EVENT**

We launch a call for participation. Registration is open to 15 professional dancers, circus artists and Vertical Dance specialists who are interested in participating in dance laboratories during 3 days of laboratories and 2 days of public encounters and presentations, with the 6 international Vertical Dance choreographers - VDF members: Lindsey Butcher, Chantal McCormick, Wanda Moretti, Kate Lawrence, Marija Scekcic, Julia Taffe. The artistic coordinator is Fabrice Guillot (Retouramont).

These three days is a work of experimentation under the artistic direction of the VDF artistic choreographers with written forms.

TWO CREATIVES **LABORATORIES**

• **Pocket Vertical Dance**

Fabrice Guillot will offer the 6 VDF choreographers (working in pairs) and the 15 participants, a reflection on the apparatus: what can we invent with a portable mini apparatus?

- CDCN - La Briqueterie

- Tuesday 14th to Thursday 16th May in the afternoon – (2pm to 5pm)

Public presentation on Friday 17th May in the evening in Paris 13th (13ème)

Stroll in the city to BNF - Bibliothèque Nationale de France François-Mitterrand Library.

+ public event with workshops and performance (Retouramont).

• **1 movement for 6 choreographers**

The 6 choreographers of the VDF in collaboration with the 15 participants will develop a work of 1:30 min according to precise instructions in a given space of CDCN - La Briqueterie in Vitry-sur-Seine.

A presentation of their research will be shown as part of a public event at La Briqueterie on Saturday afternoon, 18th May.

- CDCN - La Briqueterie

- Tuesday 14th to Thursday 16th May in the morning (10am to 1pm)

Public presentation on Saturday 18th May in the afternoon (2pm to 6pm) followed up by a final wrap-up evening. This afternoon also addresses a wide audience: workshops led by Retouramont, film projections of Vertical Dance, etc...

Before each artistic laboratory, warm-up sessions will be offered by different dancers from the Retouramont crew for the participants to experience various views and expertise.

OTHER MEETINGS

We are also pleased to invite you to take part in the other meetings planned during the week:

• 1 inaugural meeting

With an introduction of Retouramont work and the VDF project in company of the entire Retouramont team, members of the VDF, and all our partners and friends. This session will be followed by a cocktail offered by the Mayor of Charenton-Le-Pont.

- Médiathèque de l'Architecture et du Patrimoine in Charenton-Le-Pont

- Monday 13th May from 4pm to 6 pm.

• 2 public lectures

Symposium n°1 - « Territory and Crossing – Can we talk about an Aesthetic of Crossing? »

- Béton Salon - Centre for Art and Research, Paris 13th (13ème)

- Tuesday 14th May, from 7pm to 8:30pm

Symposium n°2 – « The Roots of Vertical Dance & Vertical Pathways », presentations by Kate Lawrence and Wanda Moretti

- BNF (Bibliothèque Nationale de France) François-Mitterrand Library

- Wednesday 15th May from 7pm to 8:30pm



Venues and supports



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HOW TO APPLY ?

**Please send by email to lucie@retouramont.com
and polededanseverticale@retouramont.com
Before 31st January 2019**

Subject of your email: VDF – application for “The Vertical Dance KIT” 13th – 18th May 2019

Name and surname:	
Country:	
Date of birth:	
Address:	
Phone/ Mobile:	
Email:	
Name of the company:	
Web address:	
Reason for your application to the Vertical Dance KIT (cover letter):	
Previous vertical dance experience including VDF meetings (please, specify which one):	
Online URL links, videos, photos of your previous work/performance + CV:	

Fees:

100€ net of taxes (HT for French participants, TVA 20%) for the 5 days of workshops. Travel costs, meals, accommodation are at your own charge.

Retouramont has a special price for accommodation close to work locations in Charenton-Le-Pont – Adagio City – If you are interested to get prices, please notify it in your application email.

Maximum number of participants: 15 professionals