

THE HUDSON EYE

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THE HUDSON EYE EDITION #2

REVERSE PERSPECTIVE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2020
7:30 PM

CHOREOGRAPHY
JONAH BOKAER

MUSICAL PERFORMANCE

VITADUO:

MARIA NEMTSOVA & VITALY VATULYA

DANCE PERFORMANCE

NADIA KHAYRALLAH & HALA SHAH

COMPOSER

POLINA NAZAYKINSKAYA

Reverse Perspective is a collaboration between Jonah Bokaer Choreography and Momentum Artists. This project is supported by the Trust For Mutual Understanding.

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Jonah Bokaer, Choreographer

Born to Tunisian & American parents, Jonah Bokaer has been active world-wide as choreographer & exhibiting artist since 2002. The author of 60 works in a wide variety of media including dances, videos, motion capture works, three interactive installations, four mobile applications, and one film, shown in 34 nations, 27 of the United States, and 292 cities - including 41 Museum Exhibition - Bokaer is the most widely distributed choreographer to have emerged since the post-modern era, and the first to pioneer Dance Apps.

Polina Nazaykinskaya, Composer

Born in Togliatti, Russia, Polina Nazaykinskaya has been studying music since the age of four, and composed her first large-scale work at 14. She went on to create music for both chamber and full orchestras, as well as art songs, film music, musical theater works, an opera, and, recently, her first symphony, "April Song". In June 2018, The RIOULT Dance NY premiered Polina's first ballet, "Nostalgia". The premiere took place at The Joyce Theater in New York City. Last season The Albany Symphony premiered Polina's new symphonic poem "Fenix". In 2020-2021 concert season Polina's orchestral music will be performed by the Minnesota Orchestra, the Symphoria, Orchestra of the Southern Finger Lakes, and the Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra. Polina has received many national and international awards, including the Charles Ives Scholarship from The American Academy of Arts and Letters, and the Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans. Polina is a Lecturer of Composition at Brooklyn College Conservatory.

VitaDuo, Musicians

VitaDuo - VitaDuo appears as part of "Reverse Perspective," a joint project between Jonah Bokaer Choreography and Momentum Artists. Vitaly Vatulya (saxophone) and Maria Nemtsova (piano) - have been recognized as one of the most interesting ensembles performing in the chamber music world today. The rare combination saxophone - piano was formed in 2006, when the Duo won their first Prize at the prestigious festival in Moscow. Later they have founded the famous "Music - for Peace" Project, which is a charitable musical project, and its mission is to benefit young musicians who live in today's conflict zones. The "Music for Peace" Project used the convening power of music as a vehicle to maximize the benefits of international and cross-cultural contacts between youth and young adult populations. Through music, MfP aimed to bring individuals from all backgrounds and social statuses together into a relaxed and natural environment. VitaDuo appears as part of "Reverse Perspective," a joint project between Jonah Bokaer Choreography and Momentum Artists.

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Nadia Khayrallah, Dancer

Nadia Khayrallah is a performer, choreographer, writer, occasional drag artist, and general menace. Her work highlights the body as a place of intersection between intimacy and power; pleasure and resistance; personal and political--often with a dose of humor. A graduate of Columbia University with a B.A. in Dance and Psychology, she currently performs with Jonah Bokaer Choreography, Gotham Dance Theater, eSKay Arts Collective, and Artists by Any Other Name. Nadia has performed with Jonah Bokaer Choreography since 2019.

Hala Shah, Dancer

Hala Shah is a performing artist, choreographer, and writer. She performs primarily with Jonah Bokaer Choreography and Ping Chong + Company (PCC). As a teaching artist for PCC's Secret Histories: Arts in Education program, she works with students in New York City Public Schools to develop identity-driven narratives presented in theatrical performance, and has participated in numerous pieces on the topics of her experiences as a Muslim dancer. Hala has performed with Jonah Bokaer Choreography since 2019.

Momentum Artists

Momentum Artists is an innovative artist management and producing agency, offering international representation and special project development services to a boutique roster of distinguished artists from around the globe. Founded by Lena Khandros and Ania Perzanowska, the agency is focused on innovation in monetizing custom composed music and developing cross-disciplinary projects of the highest artistic quality. Momentum's newest signature project, born out of the COVID-19 crisis, is Music2Meeting which connects world-class artists all over the world directly with the virtual corporate workplace. For more information, please visit: <https://www.momentumartists.com/>; <https://music2meeting.com/about>.

First Presbyterian Church

First Presbyterian Church of Hudson, active in the community for over a century, offers ongoing programs in spiritual development while carrying out projects in foreign ministry and community service including Help Syria's Kids: the Hudson-Ketermaya Connection, an effort to provide ongoing refugee children in a camp in Ketermaya, Lebanon, as well as The New Leaf Garden: 14 raised garden beds that are available at no cost to the community with produce raised by church members and donated to the Salvation Army kitchen.

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A Message From The Curator

The first half of 2020 has been one for the ages, fraught with challenges, pivots, solitude, fears and anxieties. Despite recent obstacles, we have seen a number of successes and bests; cities, states and countries have emerged stronger, more compassionate and more resilient than ever before. If 2020 has taught us anything, it is that we are able to stand up for one another in times of need as friends and community members.

We are humbled to be presenting the Second Edition of The Hudson Eye. We have embarked on a mission to think outside the box of what it means to support artists, build community, and present an equitable and dynamic contemporary arts program. Our team has worked tirelessly to build a diverse program that spans over 20 venues, features the works of nearly 30 artists and hosts over 30 panel speakers for our daily Hot Topics series. We are immensely proud of this year's program and eager to share the fruits of our labors with you as we re-enter the public sphere, re-engage, and enter the "Next Normal."

~Aaron Levi Garvey | Curator, Visual Arts & The Hudson Eye

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 28

1:00 PM @ Hot Topics Hudson*
 Press Welcome
 2:00 PM @ Hudson Public Art: Tommy Coleman (See Map)
 Hudson Public Art: David Hammons (See Map)
 Hudson Public Art: Tschabalala Self (See Map)
 7:30 PM @ Hudson Hall (327 Warren Street)
Allora & Calzadilla, David Hammons, Terence Koh, Myron Polenber, Shikeith, Filiz Soyak - Festival Kickoff
 Film Loop Tickets: 12, 2, 4PM Daily, Hudson Hall

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29

1:00 PM @ Hot Topics Hudson*
 FUTURE HUDSON + Design For Six Feet
 7:30 PM @ Second Ward Foundation (71 N. 3rd Street)
Bibbe Hansen - 3rd Rail Revisited: An Evening of Al Hansen Performance

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

1:00 PM @ Hot Topics Hudson*
 Curating Hudson
 7:30 PM @ First Presbyterian Church (369 Warren Street)
VitaDuo: Reverse Perspective, with Dancers

MONDAY, AUGUST 31

1:00 PM @ Hot Topics Hudson*
 Hudson Valley Art History
 7:30 PM @ Princess Beatrix House of the Netherlands (369 Warren Street)
William Stone - Visual Art

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

1:00 PM @ Hot Topics Hudson*
 Sean Kelly & Collect Wisely
 7:30 PM @ The Old Library: Galvan Foundation (400 State Street)
James Autery, Laetitia Hussain, Dan McMullin, Ryan Ostrowski, McKenzie Raley - Visual Art

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

1:00 PM @ Hot Topics Hudson*
 Problematics & Possibilities for a Post-Pandemic World
 7:30 PM @ Riverfront Park: Rick's Point (108 Water Street)
Nathalie Jonas - Dance

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

1:00 PM @ Hot Topics Hudson*
 Indigenous History & Art Panel
 7:30 PM @ Hudson Area Library (51 N. 5th Street)
John Ashbery's LITANY (The Flow Chart Foundation)
Anselm Berrigan + Kyle Dacuyan - Performance

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

1:00 PM @ Hot Topics Hudson*
 Black Arts & Culture Festival
 7:30 PM @ Sadhana Center (403 Warren Street)
Awake To The Dharma with Sondra Loring

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

1:00 PM @ Hot Topics Hudson*
 Hudson Design: Present, Past + Future
 7:30 + 8:30 PM @ Hudson Milliner (415 Warren Street)
Thea Little - Dance

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

1:00 PM @ Hot Topics Hudson*
 Peak Local: Who Is An Artist In Hudson?
 7:30 PM @ Space 428 (428 State Street)
Shanekia McIntosh - The Spiral As Ritual

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

1:00 PM @ Window On Hudson (43 S. 3rd Street)
Spotlight: Tschabalala Self

**As a precaution against the spread of COVID-19, all Hot Topics Panels will be taking place as Zoom Virtual Discussion Panels.*

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