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Northrop and Walker Art Center Present Batsheva Dance Company 2016//17 Northrop Season

The Israeli company returns to the Northrop stage for the first time since 2009.

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Minneapolis, MN (Jan 3, 2017) – Kicking off the spring leg of its 2016//17 Dance Season, Northrop at the University of Minnesota, along with the Walker Art Center, present [Batsheva Dance Company](#) on Tuesday, Jan 24 at 7:30pm. The engagement marks the much-anticipated return of the Israeli company, led by visionary choreographer Ohad Naharin, to the Twin Cities for the first time since they performed in Northrop's 2008//09 season.

Northrop and the Walker Art Center Present

[Batsheva Dance Company](#)

Decadance 2017

Tue, Jan 24, 7:30 pm

Carlson Family Stage

Decadance 2017 consists of excerpts from works spanning Naharin's 27 years as Artistic Director of Batsheva, widely considered one of the world's foremost contemporary dance companies. These include *Z/na* (1995), *Kyr* (1990), *Telophaza* (2006), *Anaphase* (1993), *Mabul* (1992), *Sadeh21* (2011), *Naharin's Virus* (2001), *Zachacha* (1998), *Three* (2005), and *Max* (2007).

Naharin says that creating *Decadance 2017* has allowed him to look back at his body of work in a fresh light. He remixes these pieces—all of them grounded in his unique Gaga dance vocabulary—into a seamlessly coherent whole that epitomizes the Company's signature physicality, creativity, and precision. With a dash of comedy, scintillating storytelling, and a musical smorgasbord ranging from rock 'n roll to samba, *Decadance 2017* is fast, fun, and thrilling.

[A sneak peek video of the evening's program is available here.](#)

About Ohad Naharin

Ohad Naharin has been hailed as one of the world's preeminent contemporary choreographers. The artistic director of Batsheva Dance Company since 1990, he has guided the company with an adventurous vision and reinvigorated its repertory with his captivating choreography. Naharin is also the originator of an innovative movement vocabulary, Gaga, which has enriched his extraordinary movement invention, revolutionized the company's training, and emerged as a growing force in the larger field of movement practices for both dancers and non-dancers.

About Batsheva Dance Company

Batsheva Dance Company is critically acclaimed and popularly embraced as one of the foremost contemporary dance companies in the world. Together with its junior Batsheva Ensemble, the company boasts a roster of 35 dancers from around the world. Batsheva Dance Company is Israel's largest company, maintaining an extensive performance schedule locally and internationally with over 250 performances and over 100,000 spectators per year.

TICKETS

Single tickets: \$62, \$52, \$42

Discounts available

Season packages: Offer deeper discounts, best seats, and subscriber perks. More information and ordering are available [here](#) or by calling 612-624-2345.

New this year! \$30 Under 30: Guests aged 18-30 can purchase up to two \$30 tickets to any 2016//17 Northrop Season performance 30 days prior to the show date. Each ticket comes with a drink ticket redeemable at Surdyk's Café or concessions and is good for any beverage up to \$8 in value. Tickets can be purchased in person, by phone, or online, and can be picked up at Will Call the night of the show. Bring a guest of any age, but the person buying the tickets must be 30 or under.

Group sales: Groups of 10+ save 15% off original ticket prices or 25% off for schools and educational groups. To purchase group sales tickets, email nropgrps@umn.edu or call Bridget Reddan at 612-625-1578.

Discounted Rush Tickets

\$10 for U of M Students

\$20 General Student

Rush tickets can be purchased online, over the phone, or in-person at the Northrop box offices beginning at 10:00 am the morning of the performance. Receive two discounted tickets per qualifying person with appropriate I.D. Rush tickets are based on availability.

Related Events:

Northrop and Walker Art Center Present

[Film Screening: *Mr. Gaga*](#)

Tue, Jan 17, 6:30pm

[Best Buy Theater](#)

Free and open to the public

Mr. Gaga, eight years in the making, captures the elusive beauty of contemporary dance and immerses the audience in the creative process behind Batsheva's unique performances.

Northrop Presents

Batsheva Dance Company Performance Preview

Tue, Jan 24, 6:15pm

[Best Buy Theater](#)

Free and open to the public

Gain insight into the performance at an in-depth conversation with members of the company's artistic team.

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