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BOWEN MCCAULEY DANCE CO. STAGES ITS 18TH RETURN TO THE KENNEDY CENTER

April 23, 2019 - Arlington, VA - Bowen McCauley Dance Company (BMDC) returns to the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts Terrace Theater for two-nights, **Friday, May 17, and Saturday, May 18, 2019, at 7:30 p.m.** with a premiere, ***Exuberant Fanfare***, from Artistic Director and Choreographer, Lucy Bowen McCauley, set to Igor Stravinsky's ***Suite Italienne*** from his ballet ***Pulcinella*** and played live by Arlington's **National Chamber Ensemble**. The two-night performance will be a memorable night of premieres, live music, fabulous dancers, and guest artists that demonstrate the growth of this Arlington-based Company over the past 23 seasons.

More about the performance - "An Awakening"

In true BMDC style, the award-winning professional Company brings a visceral experience to this annual show by providing all live musical accompaniment to the dance pieces. Other performance notables include a new duet, ***At the Seams***, danced by BMDC's Choreographer in Residence Ilana Goldman and **The Washington Ballet's** Sona Kharatian, featuring composers/musicians, cellist **Logan Castro** and pianist **Daniel Smith**; McCauley's dance commissioned by Drexel University, ***Lissajous*** with a short "Making of *Lissajous*" video and musical accompaniment by composer **Jordan Alexander Key** about circles and pi. The evening will finish with the return of McCauley's ***Du Vent et des Vagues*** to Franz Liszt's ***Années de Pèlerinage***, played live by pianist **Nikola Paskalov**.

On Friday, May 17, join Lucy and several of the featured artists for a post-performance talkback discussion from the stage moderated by **Arts Journalist, Lisa Traiger**. On Saturday, May 18, the Company will host its annual closing night post-performance party at the Kennedy Center's Roof Terrace Restaurant immediately following the 90-minute performance.

Performance tickets are on-sale at the Kennedy Center Box Office, by phone (202) 467-4600 or online at <http://www.kennedy-center.org/calendar/event/RTXBN>.

Ticket Prices - Friday night's performance \$40/pp and Saturday is \$50/pp. Group sales discounts are also available.

VIP Experience Package - Want to join in on the After-party with cast and crew? BMDC has put together a VIP package for \$150/pp, which includes the VIP priority performance seat and admission to the after-party (May 18). Contact the Company directly to purchase the VIP package at (703) 910-5175 or online at www.BMDC.org/events.

BMDC of Arlington, VA, is *DC's premiere contemporary dance company -- The Washington Post*. For the past 23 years, the professional Company has energized audiences with inventive and vibrant choreography, locally and around the world. The award-winning Company is renowned for the athleticism of its dancers, use of live music, and community outreach programs for both youth and seniors. For additional information, please visit www.bmdc.org.