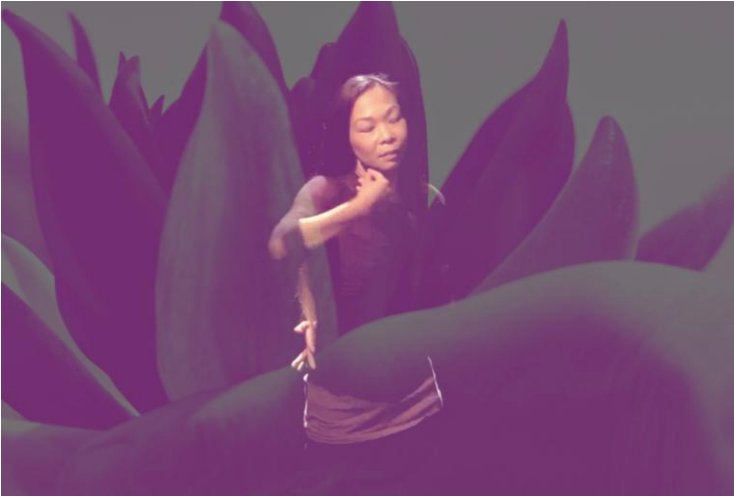


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Video still of *A Crazy Kind of Hope*. Photo: Adina Herling

Kamloops Art Gallery welcomes dance artist Andrea Nann and choreographer Sarah Chase for a weekend of dance July 18 + 19!

Kamloops, BC – On the weekend of July 18 + 19 the Kamloops Art Gallery will be hosting a suite of programs with visiting dance artist Andrea Nann and choreographer Sarah Chase. Andrea Nann's work is currently on view in the gallery's exhibition, *Dancing through to the other side* until September 12. We're excited to welcome this talent in and share their work with the Kamloops community!

***A Crazy Kind of Hope*: Dance Performance by Andrea Nann, choreographed by Sarah Chase**

Saturday, July 18

11:00 to 11:30 am

All ages, FREE

Brief performance by singer/songwriter Andy Maize between programs

On Trust and Inspiration: Andrea Nann and Sarah Chase in Dialogue

Saturday, July 18

11:30 am to 12:00 pm

All ages, FREE

***Body and Breath in Landscape*: Movement Workshop with Andrea Nann and Sarah Chase**

Sunday, July 19

11:00 am to 12:30 pm

Ages 15+, registration required

Join us in the central gallery for an intimate solo dance performance by exhibiting artist Andrea Nann, choreographed by Sarah Chase. *A Crazy Kind of Hope* combines beautifully articulate, hypnotic movement patterns with stories of hope and heartbreak. The performance emerges from the unique dance-storytelling technique created by Nann's longtime collaborator, Sarah Chase.

For many years choreographer Sarah Chase has worked with Andrea Nann through a choreographic process using sequences of gestures that draw out autobiography, memoir and storytelling. Through this process, Chase draws out Nann's rich inner world and magnifies the gestures that belong to her in an expressive language. In the performance, Nann introduces gestural patterns that begin to intersect and harmonize, creating a heightened poetic landscape, so that Nann's own spoken stories unfold.

Following the dance performance, join us in the Central Gallery for a seated conversation with dancer/choreographer Andrea Nann and Sarah Chase, facilitated by Kamloops Art Gallery Curator, Charo Neville. Gain insight into their relationship as long-term collaborators and the depth of the work they have created together over time.

Join us on Sunday, July 19 for a Body and Breath in Landscape: Movement Workshop with Andrea Nann and Sarah Chase. This is a 90-minute movement workshop. Beginning with gently guided exercises that bring awareness to the senses, body, and breath, participants will explore how gestures and movement patterns can carry memory and emotion, and how these movements can tell personal stories. This workshop is for folks aged 15+, from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm, and will require a registering on the gallery website, kag.bc.ca/studio.

ABOUT THE ARTISTS

Andrea Nann is a contemporary dance artist, arts educator, founding artistic director of Dreamwalker Dance Company, and founder/co-creator of Conscious Bodies Methodology, an embodied community practice. She has developed a multidisciplinary practice that intersects with performing arts, media arts, spoken word, and community engagement, and is rooted in core values of collaboration, inclusiveness, synchrony and equanimity.

Sarah Chase is based on Hornby Island, in the Salish Sea. She is a performer and choreographer whose distinctive signature has garnered her an international reputation. Her work has been presented across Canada and Europe. Chase has also performed and toured with Benôit Lachambre's Dance par B. Lieux, and German choreographer Raimund Hoghe, and created work for many Canadian artists including Toronto Dance Theatre, Peggy Baker Dance Projects, Dreamwalker Dance Company, Heidi Strauss and Darryl Tracy, Theatre Replacement, Jacinte Armstrong, Robin Poitras and Ron Stewart, Antonija Livingstone, Montreal Danse, Mascall Dance and Marc Boivin.

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About the Kamloops Art Gallery

The Kamloops Art Gallery, established in 1978, is situated on the unceded and unsundered lands of the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc within Secwepemcúl'ecw, the traditional territory of the Secwépemc people. The largest art gallery in Secwepemcúl'ecw (the Interior of British Columbia), the Gallery offers national caliber art experiences through a diverse range of accessible and affordable exhibitions, talks, tours, and studio-based programming for all ages and abilities, and boasts a collection of over 3,000 works of art.