



Semperoper
Dresden

Semperoper Ballett Open Air on the Palucca Summer Stage

PRESS RELEASE



Probenfotos aus »The Vertiginous Thrill of Exactitude«
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Under the title »Semperoper Ballett Open Air«, the Semperoper Ballett will perform on the »Palucca Summer Stage« in June 2021. The highlight of the programme will be the gala evening »A Shared Vision« celebrating the work of Aaron S. Watkin and Prof. Jason Beechey.

Dresden, 11 June 2021. On 19, 20 and 26 June 2021, the company of Semperoper Ballett will appear on the open-air stage erected on the campus of Dresden's Palucca University of Dance. The programme will feature the choreographies »The Vertiginous Thrill of Exactitude«, the pas de deux »White Swan«, the divertissement »Black Swan«, the pas de trois from »Odalisques« as well as »FAUN(E)«, »Still of King« and excerpts from »A Collection of Short Stories«. This diverse selection of works, ranging between the classical and neo-classical traditions as well as contemporary dance, reflects the company's extensive repertoire that Aaron S. Watkin has managed to build up in his 15 years as director.

In the run up to these guest performances of the Semperoper Ballett, students at the university will have a chance to observe the rehearsal process on site and thus gain useful insights for their future careers.

The highlight of the events taking place on the »Palucca Summer Stage« will be the gala »A Shared Vision« jointly organised by Semperoper Ballett and the Palucca University on 30 June 2021, when the dancers of both institutions will pay special tribute to their ballet director, Aaron S. Watkin, and their rector, Prof. Jason Beechey. In 2021 both artists look back on fifteen productive and successful years leading these two lodestars of dance, acclaimed and respected throughout the world.

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On 19 June (7 pm), 20 June (4 pm) and 26 June 2021 (7 pm)

Aaron S. Watkin, pas de deux »White Swan« (19 & 20 June only)

Aaron S. Watkin, divertissement »Black Swan« (26 June only)

Aaron S. Watkin, pas de trois from »Odalisques«

William Forsythe, »The Vertiginous Thrill of Exactitude«

David Dawson (Associate Choreographer to Semperoper Ballett), »FAUN(E)«

Jorma Elo, »Still of King« (19 & 20 June only)

Nicholas Palmquist, excerpts from »A Collection of Short Stories«

**»A Shared Vision. Semperoper Ballett & Palucca University of Dance.
A Tribute to Ballet Director Aaron S. Watkin & Rector Jason Beechey«**
At 7 pm on 30 June 2021

Open-air stage on the campus of the Palucca University of Dance,
Basteiplatz 4, 01277 Dresden

For more details and to book tickets online check out semperoper.de and palucca.eu.
The current Saxon Coronavirus Protection Regulations apply to all guests.

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