

ZVI DANCE

WORLD PREMIERE: APRIL 8-11, 2010
DANCE THEATER WORKSHOP (NYC)
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20th ANNIVERSARY SEASON (2010-2011)

ZOOM (2010)

ZviDance is creating and will present a new evening-length work titled "Zoom" for its 20th Anniversary Season. The world-premiere will take place at Dance Theater Workshop April 8-11, 2010. Artistic Director Zvi Gotheiner will collaborate with the company's dancers, video designer Tal Yarden, composer Scott Killian and lighting designer Mark London.

Set on ZviDance's lyrical and idiosyncratic dancers, "Zoom" will use dance, music, cell phones, video projection and real-time web to explore the evolving landscape of virtual communities.

In "Zoom" the audience is encouraged to leave their cell phones on! In fact, the audience is invited to participate in the visual design by taking pictures during the performance and then emailing or texting them to the visual designer, who will use them in the real-time video collages being projected on the stage. The projected "crowd sourced" content will spark a series of improvisatory dance and musical codes Zvi Gotheiner and Scott Killian will have set on the dancers.

A project conceived by long-time collaborators Gotheiner and Killian, with noted video designer Tal Yarden, "Zoom" will reflect on how handheld devices have become a driving force for human interactivity, and simultaneously, how these devices create a sense of alienation. "Zoom" will explore how distinguishing between reality and fantasy becomes increasingly difficult in a world saturated with representations. Reflecting on the process of memory, "Zoom" will project photographs and videos from the recent past into the present in a performance environment, whereby the audience finds itself in a radically different relationship to the art-making on the other side of the foot-lights.

