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Doppelgänger Dance Collective Brings “The Trail We Left Behind” to Kennedy Plaza

The Downtown Providence Parks Conservancy hosts outdoor performances by the Providence-based contemporary dance company

Providence, RI – The **Downtown Providence Parks Conservancy** (DPPC), the public-private partnership responsible for stewardship and programming in Greater Kennedy Plaza, will host Doppelgänger Dance Collective for two days of outdoor performances on August 9th and 11th, as part of their larger summer schedule, which includes concerts, a beer garden, children’s entertainment, a farmer’s market and free play time at Burnside Park.

At a special event in Greater Kennedy Plaza, Shura Baryshnikov and Danielle Davidson of Doppelgänger Dance Collective will premiere a newly created duet by Rhode Island native Kellie Ann Lynch, bringing their expressive athleticism to play in a gritty, on-the-pavement interpretation of Lynch’s work. They will be accompanied by composer and musician Caitlin Scholl, who has created an original electronic and vocal score for this work.

“Performances like this demonstrate the vitality possible in a multi-use public spacelike Kennedy Plaza,” explains Cliff Wood, Executive Director of the

Downtown Providence Parks Conservancy. “Having Doppelgänger Dance Collective as DPPC’s first programming of this public plaza proves that exciting, high quality performances can happen there.”

“Doppelgänger Dance Collective is dedicated to bringing diverse dance performances to Rhode Island audiences, and how better to achieve that than by dancing for audiences in an outdoor, free and centrally located venue,” explains Baryshnikov. “This duet was crafted specifically for Kennedy Plaza with consideration for how to activate the space and draw in spectators. This is a thrilling opportunity for us as performers.”

Doppelgänger Dance Collective will transform this vital public space into a forum for unexpected and surprising movement and sound at 12:30pm and 5:15pm on Tuesday, August 9th, and 12:30pm and 5:15pm on Thursday, August 11th.

For more information, along with the weekly events schedule, visit provparksconservancy.org. The DPPC can also be found on Facebook ([/DowntownParksConservancyPVD](https://www.facebook.com/DowntownParksConservancyPVD)) and Twitter ([@KennedyPlazaPVD](https://twitter.com/KennedyPlazaPVD)).

Doppelgänger Dance Collective can be found on Facebook ([/performanceprojectbuiltby2dancers](https://www.facebook.com/performanceprojectbuiltby2dancers)), Twitter ([@doppeldanceco](https://twitter.com/doppeldanceco)), Instagram ([Doppelgänger_dance_collective](https://www.instagram.com/Doppelgänger_dance_collective)), and Creative Ground (<http://www.creativeground.org/profile/Doppelgänger-dance-collective>).

About the Downtown Providence Parks Conservancy

The Downtown Providence Parks Conservancy is a public-private partnership dedicated to creating a world-class parks system in our city’s historic urban core. We are a place-making organization that believes in transforming public spaces by transforming the way people use them. The core of our current mission is the improvement of Greater Kennedy Plaza (including Burnside Park and Biltmore Park) through free public programming, maintenance and stewardship, urban design, community engagement, issue advocacy, and funding.

About Doppelgänger Dance Collective

Doppelgänger Dance Collective was co-founded in 2015 by dancers Shura

Baryshnikov and Danielle Davidson to foster the creation and performance of original, contemporary choreographic work for duet performance. Completing each other's movement from the start, they conceived of a performance project that framed or captured this shared duality, their immediate bodily complicity. DDC is the tangible result of these dialogues and showcases a commitment to technical and expressive challenges and to the inclusion of live music in performance. Sharing the directorial role, they offer choreographic commissions to a diverse group of dance-makers each season.

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