



VITACCA BALLET

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VITACCA BALLET'S SOWN TAKES THE STAGE OCTOBER 20-21

**Featuring *Lighthouse* by choreographer H el ene Simoneau,
Grey Horses by choreographer Robyn Mineko-Williams
(2013 Premiere, Hubbard Steet Dance Chicago)
and *Hypnotic Forces* by Resident Choreographer Garrett Smith**



HOUSTON, TEXAS [September 25, 2023]: Vitacca Ballet opens its 2023-2024 Season with a triple-bill titled *SOWN* featuring a brand-new pointe creation from H el ene Simoneau, an exciting remount of *Grey Horses* by choreographer [Robyn Mineko-Williams](#) originally created for Hubbard Street Dance Chicago (2013) and the thrilling extension of *Hypnotic Forces* from brilliant [Resident Choreographer Garrett Smith](#). *SOWN* further roots Vitacca Ballet into the Houston arts scene October 20-21 at 7:30pm at MATCH in Matchbox 2. As part of Vitacca Ballet's annual Curtain & Cocktails event, all *SOWN* ticket holders are welcome to join in the MATCH Gallery for a post-performance mixer to meet the artists.

Vitacca Ballet's ability to bring international and vast artistic talent to the stage in Houston makes it a regional stand out. [Artistic Director and Founder Kelly Ann Vitacca](#) comments, "The company is grateful to have been welcomed with open arms into the greater Houston



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dance community allowing us to enter our third and most ambitious season yet. The countrywide community support has been tremendous, leading to our growth on and off stage. Now with 14 professional Company Artists our company embarks on another season of approachable, contemporary ballet. We are thrilled to bring the collective contributions of our incredibly diverse 2023-2024 Season Guest Choreographers to stage.”

Vitacca Ballet brings five world premieres, plus two unique Houston premieres and a film for dance to stage throughout the 2023-2024 Season. Continue to follow our movement at VitaccaBallet.org.

This season strives to meld patron and artist with a mutual experience on and off the stage to further explore the symbiotic relationship of life and art. Ms. Vitacca comments, “Vitacca Ballet focuses on creating world premiere contemporary ballets that are thought provoking and allow patron and artist to share in a relatable experience. This provides a rebirth of dance awareness and the progression of ballet for all. Our goal is to root our company into the Houston dance community while we grow and mature along with our patron base.”

This season brings diverse, artistic minds together with the exciting growth of our company including the return of our beloved company artists, [Maddie Medina](#), [Coltin Snyder](#), [Fiona Dorr](#), [Jordan Hooks](#), [Joshua Ponton](#), , [Elissa Fonesca](#), International Guest [Khen Kurulkar](#) and new company artists [Megumi Nishimori](#), [Aidan Wolf](#), [Nikolas Darrough](#), [Elena Damiani](#), [Ava Dempster](#), [Zephaniah Casey](#), and [Carrington Moser](#).

About Vitacca Ballet

Founded in 2020 Vitacca Ballet (VB) is a creation-based repertoire company in the Houston area. As the pandemic brought artists home to Houston, Ms. Vitacca strived to keep artists employed, and the Houston arts scene alive with project-based work. This experience laid the framework for the launch of VB in 2021, which now works diligently to operate a 34-week season and employ local, national, and international artists.

Vitacca Ballet has had the honor to work with regional and international choreographers including Tina Kay Bohnstedt, Sean Aaron Carmon, Andrea Dawn Shelley, Garrett Smith, Autumn Eckman and Madison Hicks. Vitacca Ballet has been seen on stage within performance and outreach community events such as Night at the Ballet, San Antonio Dance Gala, Contemporary Dance Choreography Festival in Florida, Versatility Dance Festival in Utah, Bailindo Dance Festival, ANDIOMO presented by Charles Bender Performing Arts Center, Trees of Hope Gala as 2022 Entertainment Sponsor, LAUNCH at Match Houston, Connec(TX)ions Austin collaboration, and Red Rock Dance Festival in Utah.



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For more information about Vitacca Ballet, visit www.VitaccaBallet.org.

Vitacca Ballet SOWN Performance Information

Tickets: www.VitaccaBallet.org
\$20-\$40
All ticket holders invited to post performance mixer held in onsite gallery.

Date & Time: October 20 7:30pm | Performance + Mixer
October 21 7:30pm | Performance + Mixer

Venue: MATCH - Midtown Arts and Theater Center (Matchbox 2)
3400 Main St., Houston, TX 77002
[Location & Parking](#)

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