Kaha:wi Dance Theatre hosts
Inviting the Land to Shape Us – Dance Artist Workshop
July 21-23, 2023

For 3 days, Kaha:wi Dance Theatre opens space at the Talking Earth Studio & Gardens to explore creative process guided by land. Inviting the Land to Shape Us – Dance Artist Workshop is exploratory, collaborative, and restorative, a place to explore uncharted creative territory; inner and outer landscapes; to play and reflect.

Curated and facilitated by Artistic Director and multidisciplinary artist, Santee Smith, she says, “I want to share time and space where dance artists can be in “call & response” within the lands of Talking Earth studio and gardens and with each other. This is precious time for grounding into earth, to explore the elemental, to move in the direction of nature, to be inspired, rejuvenate, and cultivate.”

The workshop features:
  • Embodied Practice: Indigenous and somatic exercises with prompts in land and studio space
  • Exploration and collaboration in sites: Otsi’tsa’kó:wa / Sunflower and sand stages, and garden spaces
  • Cultivating land: garden to table food experience, horticultural work

Location: Talking Earth Studio – 986 Sour Springs Road, Hagersville ON, N0A 1H0

Eligible Participants: (ages 19+)
  • Dance and/or embodied artists interested and/or actively engaged with land-based creative process
  • Emerging to established professional dance artists

Cost:
Registration Fee: $300.00 (attendance, materials, garden to table food and facilities usage)
Food Contribution: $100.00
Yurt/Tent Accommodation: $50.00/night based on double+ occupancy

Submission Process: Submit the following to: info@kahawidance.org
  • Letter of interest in attending the workshop: brief history of your artistic practice – 1 page max
  • Biography/CV/Resume – 1 page max
  • References you would like to share for example vimeo links, jpegs, website etc.

No deadline to apply - however space is limited
Notification of acceptance into the Lab will be sent out 1 week after receipt of submission

The following will apply to those attending:
  • signing off on a liability waiver
  • on site conduct: as the lab involves some traditional protocols and sacred work within earth and takes place on family property therefore no drugs or alcohol on site. This applies to the working environment and in the yurt accommodation space