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The Center for Contemporary Dance Welcomes Fourth Dance Company: DRIP paint in motion

THE CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY DANCE announces the addition of *DRIP paint in motion* to the growing number of contemporary dance companies operating out of THE CENTER. Founded in 2006 by Art Director and choreographer Jessica Mariko, *DRIP* is THE CENTER's newest artist-in-residence, making them the fourth professional dance company rehearsing and producing work out of THE CENTER. *DRIP* joins THE CENTER's other performance companies, including *U-Turn Dance Company* and *UTD²*, both founded by THE CENTER's Artistic Director, Dario J. Moore, and THE CENTER's first artist-in-residence, *Patelworks Dance Theater*, founded by Indian choreographer Smruti Patel. Adding a new voice to THE CENTER, *DRIP* integrates dance and the visual arts, with dancers often using paint and other artistic tools during performances. To learn more about upcoming events by THE CENTER's dance companies, visit TheCenterForDance.org. To learn more about *DRIP paint in motion*, visit DRIPpaintinmotion.com.

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Mission

To broaden access to the arts through life-changing programs and performances that contribute to the rich artistic legacy of contemporary dance and enrich the creative potential of our artists, audiences and community.

- Four Professional Dance Companies
- Non-recital Dance Education Center
- Art Gallery and Visual Arts Workshops
- Performances and Community Outreach

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Founded in 2001 by Moore and Creative Director Craig W. Johnson, THE CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY DANCE, INC. is a nonprofit arts organization dedicated to fostering the traditions of contemporary dance through public performances, dance education, community outreach and creative partnerships, including those with other contemporary dance artists, such as *DRIP paint in motion*. Mariko says of *DRIP*'s residency at THE CENTER, "We are delighted to join THE CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY DANCE in their mission to advance contemporary dance in Central Florida. THE CENTER has an energy of love and inspiration that directly aligns with *DRIP*'s artistic philosophies. We're looking forward to doing great things together." *DRIP* will perform collaboratively with THE CENTER's other ensembles in *Voices of Women*, a benefit concert for Planned Parenthood of Greater Orlando, Inc. (PPGO), taking place November 3, 2007 at 2pm and 7pm at The Plaza Theatre in Orlando. Tickets to *Voices of Women* are \$60 and should be purchased through PPGO by calling (407) 872-6838.

In addition to producing professional stage productions, community programs by THE CENTER have reached women's shelters, the homeless, children's organizations, the culturally disadvantaged, the disabled and our public schools. "The vision," says Johnson "is to extend contemporary dance into the culture of Central Florida through a creative resource center based on collaboration and collective purpose. Partnerships with like-minded dance artists like *DRIP* add momentum to THE CENTER's goals." *DRIP* has already achieved recognition through performances at the Orlando International Fringe Theater Festival, the Orlando Shakespeare Theater and the Bob Carr Performing Arts Centre. "*DRIP* produces compelling works that inspire audiences to think, reflect and feel. We're honored to have them join THE CENTER's mission," says Johnson.

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