

Terrain

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Terrain, a Dance and Performance Collective, celebrating its 16th Anniversary Season

Timeless Dances

Saturday, May 11 at 8pm & Sunday, May 12 at 7pm
Western Sky Studio, 2525 Eighth Street #13A, Berkeley, CA

Terrain will mark its 16th anniversary on Saturday and Sunday, May 11 and 12 with a weekend of performance entitled *Timeless Dances*. Veteran choreographer and collective members Ruth Botchan, Jim Beatty, Mary Reid, and Ann Swigart will present new works on love, loss, aging, art and...baseball. Photographer Treve Johnson will exhibit his unique photographs in the lobby.

Terrain, founded in 1997, is an extraordinary performance collective, both for its longevity and its diverse veteran artists.

The offerings for **Timeless Dances** are:

The Ruth Botchan Dance Company will perform two pieces. *Composition XII*, inspired by the paintings of Wassily Kandinsky and is a lively tribute to the great artists, composers and choreographers of the twentieth century who showed us new ways of seeing, hearing and dancing. *Slow Movement*, a premiere inspired by Ruth Botchan's 98-year-old mother takes a look at old age.

Jim Beatty creates dance theatre pieces with humor and feeling. He will perform *Paigisms – The Wit And Wisdom of Satchel Paige*, the legendary baseball pitcher, and *Its Never Too Late To Wait* - The return of TimeFly.

Treve Johnson, photographer and Terrain member, will display several of his dance panoramas as well as copies of his book *Timeless Dances Volume One*, and a short video

presentation based on images in the book.

Mary Reid will perform a dance that combines her love of dance-theater with gesture and pedestrian movement.

Ann Swigart -- dancer, choreographer, and musician -- will perform two pieces. *What of the Mother* is a dance that depicts the grief of losing a child to war, set in the Civil War era. *This State* is a co-creation with fellow Terrain member May Reid. It is a dance of joy, love, and friendship.

From The East Bay Express: "The emotional intelligence of the evening was straightforward and unpretentious...the rich thoughtfulness and solid craft of the dances by Terrain...shared a grass-roots sensibility of the art object as an intimate, flawed thing of integrity and beauty."

CALENDAR INFORMATION

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INFORMATION AND RESERVATIONS:

<http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/355606>

WEBSITE: <http://terraincollective.org/>

FACEBOOK: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Terrain-A-Dance-and-Performance-Collective/102186059823055?fref=ts>

Also announcing:

And mark your calendars for *Dance A Rama* as part of Bay Area Dance Week!

Sunday, April 28 at 1pm

Free and open to all

Come join the fun and experience some of the East Bay's most exciting choreographers in various studios at the vibrant Eighth Street Artists' Center. Terrain Dance and Performance Collective present an informal performance marathon. From contemporary dance to performance art to aerial, there's a different show every hour. For more information: [510-848-4878](tel:510-848-4878) or visit terraincollective.org