

Dance Spotlight: Groovers & Makers

Funk and jazz at the Southern Theater.



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By Caroline Palmer

Thursday-next Sunday

The Twin Cities area is not only home to a diverse community of dance artists but also a wide array of movement styles. Nowhere is this more evident than among the performers featured in “Groovers & Makers: Local Forces in Rhythm-based Dance” at the Southern Theater. Organized by Erinn Liebhard and Heather Westerlund, the evening features everything from tap to funk, with plenty of jazz, rhythm-driven modern and Latin for added flair. The choreographers sharing the stage are Emily Broecker, Jennifer Glaws, Karla Grotting, Jolene Konkol, Carrie Lande, Jeffrey Peterson, Julie Warder, Cathy Wind and Liebhard.

Groovers & Makers: Local Forces in
Rhythm-based Dance

8 p.m. Thu.-Sun. 8/25-28; Also 5
p.m. Sun. 8/28. Ends Aug. 27.

Where: Southern Theater, 1420
Washington Av. S. Mpls

Tickets: \$18-\$20
www.rhythmicallyspeakingdance.org
or
www.brownpapertickets.com

Rhythmically Speaking: Groovers & Makers



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Need to get your groove on? The delightful jazz enthusiasts behind Rhythmically Speaking—Erinn Liebhard and Heather P. Westerlund—have assembled yet another jazz-dance concert showcasing the best of the Twin Cities. Titled “Groovers & Makers,” this year’s sampler of performances from dance innovators includes well-loved educator/tapper Karla Grotting and the dynamic Jeffrey Peterson, along with up-and-comers Emily Broeker, Jennifer Glaws, Jolene Konkel, Cathy Wind, and Carrie Lande. They’ll dip into classic jazz, Latin, funk, and even rhythm-infused modern dance—as well as tap, of course. There’s no better way to experience jazz’s ongoing influence in our dance community. (Jillian Denae Photography)

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