

### April 30, 2020 @ 5:00 pm Zoom Livestream

We are excited to present this streamed work as a precursor to our live performance titled *The Chandelier*! Commissioned by The Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts, it was originally slated to premiere this spring, but postponed due to the pandemic. The live performance is now scheduled for the fall of 2020.

Adapted to address social distancing circumstances during the dire Covid-19 situation, *Illuminating The Chandelier* explores a new language of intimacy as people rely on technology to connect to the arts and each other. We use innovative methods to piece together movement phrases from the cast's homes into one cohesive performance.

Both works are based on the novel *The Chandelier* by Brazilian author Clarice Lispector, a tragic coming-of-age story told from a young girl's perspective. *Illuminating the Chandelier* focuses specifically on the interior monologue of a woman in isolation, with dissociated and dreamlike feelings, who has trouble connecting to the world around her.

Through layers of imagery and acts of repetition, the work explores the contrasting ideas of impermanence and the irrevocable, especially in the context of what we as a society are all going through in this moment.

# Special thanks to The Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts team:

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Directed and Choreographed by Heidi Duckler Inspired by the novel *The Chandelier* by Clarice Lispector

Music Composed by Sarah Belle Reid and Isaac Takeuchi Visual Design by Carlo Maghirang and Kam Ying Lee

Production Manager: Mariana Perez-Seda Assistant Director: Himerria Wortham Costume Design: Snezana Petrovic

Voiceover: Paula Rebelo

Graphic Design: Visual Issues

#### Cast

Virginia: Magdalena Edwards

Daniel: Rafael Quintas

Mother: Jessica Emmanuel Father: David Guerra

Esmeralda: Nicole Flores

Grandmother: Himerria Wortham

Vicente: Myles LaVallee Adriano: Jaime Valdez Irene: Himerria Wortham Marie Clara: Maureen Asic

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Artistic Director: Heidi Duckler

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Our company's vision is rooted in exploration. Please join us in these virtual discussions to look at the themes of empathy, optimism, and responsibility today.

Wed, May 13 @ 5 pm Zoom Livestream

Free RSVP: herethereteaching.eventbrite.com

HDD's teaching artists discuss methods for creating, connecting, and educating in today's virtual spaces.

Thu, May 14 @ 5 pm Zoom Livestream

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Panel discussion on the power of art for combating isolation in vulnerable populations, with our partners from Ventura Youth Correctional Facility, St. Mary's Academy, MLK Jr. Community Hospital, and Women Vets on Point.

