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Heidi Duckler Dance
Presents
THE QUEST

Performing Himerria Wortham | Photo by Anastasia Velicescu

LOS ANGELES (September 22nd, 2020) – Los Angeles-based dance company Heidi Duckler Dance (HDD) presents THE QUEST, ten evenings of safely-distanced celebrations, animated by original performances, distinguished honorees, and spectacular views of Los Angeles from October 1st-10th. All events are COVID-19 safe and either drive-up or walk-up 6 feet apart. A Covid Compliance Officer will be present at every performance. Masks are required.

THE QUEST series engages audiences in an interactive search for truth in our environment, our memory, and the challenging present moment. Involving 35 talented individuals made up of dancers, musicians, composers, singers, voiceover artists, set designers, costume designers, lighting designers, and cinematographers, THE QUEST represents Heidi Duckler Dance’s enduring dedication to inclusiveness and justice in dance, arts education, and our community.
THE QUEST takes audiences on a journey through Los Angeles, to the undiscovered gems of the city that are very near and dear to our company’s hearts. These ten locations are not typical LA landmarks, nor do they tell the traditional story of our city. Beyond celebrating places, this is a chance to honor our partners who make these sites matter and have made HDD’s 35 years meaningful. As we collectively face crisis after crisis, the future of arts and arts education can seem bleak. However, we continue this work because we believe art is freedom, and access to the arts is a civil right. More than ever we need art as a way to make sense of the world we live in and to heal and connect with one another.

As a dance company we use movement to explore intersectional topics affecting our city, especially its vulnerable populations. In this ten day experience, audiences will get a glimpse into the themes our year-round programming dives into. By bearing witness, ticket buyers will help us continue our work with students, veterans, incarcerated and formerly incarcerated individuals, foster youth, and people experiencing homelessness.

60% of the funds raised from THE QUEST go towards these educational programs, 30% to our professional performances, and 10% to general operating costs.

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Heidi Duckler Dance creates place-based performances that transform non-traditional spaces, providing learning opportunities and engaging diverse communities, in the belief that the arts can change our vision of the world and of ourselves.

**Tickets:** $35 - $400

**RSVP at:** [https://heididuckler.org/event/35th-anniversary-celebration-the-quest](https://heididuckler.org/event/35th-anniversary-celebration-the-quest)

**Media Information:**
For questions please contact Anna Chang at anna@heididuckler.org.

**Details for Calendar Listings:**

10/1 – West Hollywood – Drive-up

Congregation Kol Ami Parking Lot
1200 N La Brea Ave, West Hollywood, CA 90038
Get tickets: 6 pm | 7 pm | 7:45 pm

10/2 – Baldwin Hills – Drive-up
Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook
Projected Animation and live dancers
6300 Hetzler Rd, Culver City, CA 90232
Get tickets: 7:30 pm | 8:30 pm

10/3 – Mt. Washington – Drive-up (RT 15 minutes)
Live music and dancers
4533 N Figueroa St, Los Angeles, CA 90065
Get tickets: 6:30 pm | 7:15 pm | 8 pm

10/4 – DTLA Fashion District – Walk-up
Rooftop Parking Lot
DJ and live dancers
401 E. 12th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90015
Get tickets: 7:30 pm

10/5 – Koreatown – Walk-up (RT 15 minutes)
Founder's Church
Premiere screening and live violin
3281 W 6th St, Los Angeles, CA 90020
Get tickets: 7 pm | 7:45 pm | 8:30 pm

10/6 – Boyle Heights – Walk-up
Neighborhood Music School
358 S Boyle Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90033
Get tickets: 6:45 pm | 7:30 pm
10/7 – Culver City – Walk-up (timed entrances)
Wende Museum
VR in the outside garden with sound installation
10808 Culver Blvd, Culver City, CA 90230
Get tickets: 6 pm | 6:15 pm | 6:30 pm | 6:45 pm | 7 pm | 7:15 pm

10/8 – Inglewood – Drive-up
St. Mary’s Academy
701 Grace Ave, Inglewood, CA 90301
Get tickets: 7 pm | 7:45 pm

10/9 – Willowbrook – Walk-up
Martin Luther King Jr. Community Hospital
1680 E 120th St, Los Angeles, CA 90059
Get tickets: 6:30 pm | 7:30 pm

10/10 – Mystery Surprise Finale
6 pm
Tickets available with package purchase!

FOR ANY QUESTIONS ON 35TH CELEBRATION SPONSORSHIPS, PLEASE CONTACT MANAGING DIRECTOR RAPHAELLE ZIEMBA AT raphaelle@heididuckler.org

Read our Covid-19 health compliance measures here!

About Heidi Duckler Dance:
Founded in 1985, Heidi Duckler Dance (HDD) continues to redefine the relationship between audience and art. HDD has developed a participatory and transparent practice in which each project is generated in collaboration with the community it serves.

Over the past 35 years, HDD has produced over 400 original works locally, nationally and internationally, creating interdisciplinary performances in many iconic locations, including: the
Ambassador Hotel, LA City Hall, Van Nuys Flyaway Bus Terminal, Dunbar Hotel and on the Tall Ships at the Port of LA and in many diverse LA neighborhoods, including: Downtown LA (the Historic Core, Arts District, Produce District and Fashion District), Boyle Heights, Koreatown, Studio City, Van Nuys, Hollywood, Venice, San Pedro and South LA – as well as cities across the Greater LA Area, including: the Antelope Valley, West Hollywood, Culver City, Santa Monica, Agoura Hills, Ventura, Rancho Palos Verdes, San Bernardino and San Gabriel. Duckler also frequently creates work in Portland, Oregon with HDD’s sister company, Heidi Duckler Dance/Northwest.

HDD's programs reach more than 7,500 individuals each year. Its youth arts education programs, established in 2013, have served over 10,000 youth and families at over 25 schools and community centers throughout the City, with an emphasis on low-income communities. HDD is a company of 12 resident artists and 5 staff committed to upholding inclusiveness, consciousness, vulnerability, and connectivity through their craft.

This year HDD was awarded grants for upcoming performances and arts education initiatives including; LA County Arts Commission, California Arts Council, LA Dept of Cultural Affairs, The Ralph Parsons Foundation, National Trust for Historic Preservation, DEW Foundation, California Community Foundation, Annenberg Foundation, and the National Endowment for the Arts.

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