

The PRIX DE LA DANSE DE MONTRÉAL 2017 to be announced November 30

The 7th PRIX DE LA DANSE DE MONTRÉAL under honorary president Louise Lecavalier, contemporary dance icon and winner of the first GRAND PRIX de la danse in 2011, is just days away! The 2017 edition of the event will see a new award presented in the "EXCEPTIONAL CONTRIBUTION" category, thus adding to the six existing awards. The awards ceremony takes place at the Wilder-Espace danse (Agora/Tangente) Building **Thursday, November 30 at 11 a.m.**, in conjunction with the Parcours Danse event. The PRIX DE LA DANSE DE MONTRÉAL was created in 2011 on the initiative of choreographer Marie Chouinard (president of the event). This year's awards recognize the excellence of dance artists from here and beyond who distinguished themselves on Montreal stages between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017. The event also recognizes the work of managers and personalities doing their part to raise the discipline's profile. Lastly, the event reaffirms Montréal's dynamism as an international dance capital and its reputation on the world stage.

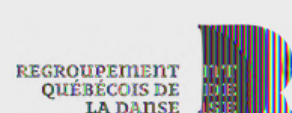
SEVEN EDITIONS, SEVEN AWARDS



GRAND PRIX de la danse de Montréal 2017, presented by Québecor and the Ville de Montréal



The GRAND PRIX de la danse honours artists (choreographers or dancers from Canada or abroad) who distinguish themselves through the exceptional quality of their work, professional rigour, originality and commitment to their art. The 2017 award comes with a cash prize of \$25,000.



Prix de la danse de Montréal 2017, catégorie INTERPRÈTE, presented by the Regroupement québécois de la danse and Caisse Desjardins de la Culture



The Prix INTERPRÈTE, presented by the Regroupement québécois de la danse and Caisse Desjardins de la Culture, was created in 2014. It rewards Québec dancers who achieve recognition for the quality of their work, rigorous artistic approach, and commitment to the discipline. It comes with a cash prize of \$10,000.



Prix de la danse de Montréal 2017, catégorie DÉCOUVERTE, presented by the Agora de la danse and Tangente

The Prix DÉCOUVERTE, presented by the Agora de la danse and Tangente, is awarded to an outstanding emerging artist. It includes a cash prize of \$5,000. The award recognizes the work of a Québec choreographer, dancer or designer (light, sound, set design, etc.) who proves to be a revelation in the dance community.



Prix de la danse de Montréal 2017, catégorie GESTIONNAIRE CULTUREL, presented by Diagramme – gestion culturelle

This award was established by Diagramme – gestion culturelle in 2016. It recognizes the work of a cultural manager who earns distinction through the consistency and exceptional quality of his or her commitment to a Montréal-based artist or cultural organization. It comes with a cash prize of \$5,000.



The Prix de la danse de Montréal 2017, catégorie CONTRIBUTION EXCEPTIONNELLE

This honorary award, presented for the first time this year, recognizes the remarkable contribution of individuals who promote the art of dance through patronage.

Awards presented as part of the Prix de la danse de Montréal 2017



Prix du CALQ for Best Choreographic Work

This award was created by the Conseil des arts et des lettres du Québec (CALQ) in 2012. It includes a cash prize of \$10,000. This year's award goes to a choreographer in recognition of the artistic excellence of a work presented for the first time in Québec in 2016-2017. The award is open to choreographers from all regions of Québec.



The Cultural Diversity Prize in Dance, presented by the Conseil des arts de Montréal

The Cultural Diversity Prize in Dance is presented by the Conseil des arts de Montréal. It includes a cash prize of \$10,000. This distinction goes to an individual or an organization that represents our cultural diversity. It recognizes a significant contribution to the dance community or a remarkable achievement during the course of the previous season.

PDM Jury

The jury for the 2016-2017 PRIX DE LA DANSE is made up of the following dance professionals: Jasmine Catudal (Director, LA SERRE — arts vivants); Danièle Desnoyers (Artistic Director and choreographer, Le Carré des Lombes); Marie-Hélène Falcon (founder and former artistic director of the Festival TransAmériques); Lili Marin (Assistant Director, Communications and Public Relations, École supérieure de ballet du Québec); and David Rancourt (dancer).

Les Prix de la danse de Montréal

Les PDM is a non-profit organization whose mission is to promote Montréal as an international hub for the creation and dissemination of dance and to highlight the dynamism of personalities, organizations and institutions in the dance community, notably by presenting honorary distinctions coupled with cash prizes. Its board of directors, chaired by Marie Chouinard, is made up of Caroline Ohrt (vice-chair), Lorraine Hébert (secretary), Bernard Lagacé (treasurer), and Sylvain Émard and Frédérick Gravel (directors).

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