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ANNUAL SPRING DANCE SHOWCASE ON TAP AT UM

MISSOULA -

This year's Spring Dance Showcase at the University of Montana features 17 original pieces with choreography created by faculty, students, graduates and a guest artist.

Through the medium of dance, choreographers will explore ideas such as how pregnancy affects the body and what is good citizenship.

The concert presents two separate programs offered alternately at 7:30 p.m. from Tuesday, March 11, to Saturday, March 15, and a matinee show at 2 p.m. on March 15. All performances take place in the Open Space, Room 005 in the basement of the Performing Arts and Radio/Television Center.

Tickets for the performance cost \$7 and are available at the Drama Dance Box Office, located in the PAR/TV Center, or by calling 243-4581. The box office is open from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

One highlight is "On Vast Plains: Some Questions" choreographed by guest artist Sarah Gamblin, an assistant dance professor at Texas Woman's University.

Gamblin interrogates the theme of active citizenship with dancers asking questions of one other and the audience. Words are incorporated into the movement.

Another piece by Emily Asmus explores pregnancy and what happens to the body. This hilarious piece is set in an aerobics class to the music of "Let's Get Physical" by Olivia Newton John.

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