

Toronto, ON

30 minutes

Firehall Arts Centre
280 East Cordova St

EDGE One
Friday, July 9 @ 7pm
Sunday, July 11 @ 7pm

Choreographer:
Malgorzata Nowacka

Performers:
Amy Hampton
Tyler Gledhill
Ryan Lee
Malgorzata Nowacka

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The Chimera Project/Malgorzata Nowacka

BLOOD



Festival of contemporary dance 2010

July 8 – 18, 2010

BLOOD: Blood has been premiered in Toronto to rave reviews. The common thread throughout the piece is that no matter what happens, the dancers keep going - zeroing in on the perseverance of the human species.

"Blood is as disturbing as it is mesmerizing, as physically challenging as it is intellectually provocative."-- The Globe and Mail

"I was working with splicing images, stories and scenarios to zero in on an intense state - a moment of aliveness that gives a clue as to what we are really all about. In the movement creation I was working with counter-intuitive methods that put dancers in a state of the unknown - with occasional "cameos" of dance movements we recognize that create a "home base" that dancers shift in and out of." - M. Nowacka

Powerful, risk-taking and fiercely contemporary, The Chimera Project creates visceral theatre experiences that break down the social veneer between audience and performer. Founded in 1999 by award-winning choreographer Malgorzata Nowacka, The Chimera Project confronts the audience with high-octane physicality, ferocious technique and darkly gritty themes. Artistic Director Malgorzata Nowacka has been named as one of the top Canadian contemporary choreographers in FASHION magazine in August 2009, and under her creative leadership The Chimera Project has been featured in some of Canada's most prestigious contexts, including the **Canada Dance Festival** (National Arts Center, Ottawa) **DanceWorks Mainstage Series** (Toronto), **Dance Victoria** (Victoria) and **Dancing on the Edge** (Vancouver). The Chimera Project performances were acclaimed as one of the Top 10 of the year in The Globe and Mail (2001, 2003, 2007, 2008), Toronto Star (2008), in NOW magazine (2007), and best highlight of International Dance Festival (2005). The collaborative artists involved are an integral part of the company's expression and include Amy Hampton, Tyler Gledhill, Ryan Lee, Tim Spronk, Anisa Tejpar, and Brendan Wyatt. The company also offers a range of unique creation and technique workshops taught by the artistic director and company dancers. For more information visit: www.chimeraproject.org.