

# ContempraDance Theatre

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## News **Release**

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## **ContempraDance Theatre & Philly's Dance Collective** **2 evenings of spectacular dance!!**

**WHEN:**            **Friday, October 17, 2008**      **Philly's Dance Collective**  
                         **Saturday, October 18, 2008**   **ContempraDance Theatre**  
                         **7:30 performance**

**WHERE:**           **Painted Bride Art Center**  
                         **230 Vine Street, Philadelphia, Pa.**

### **Friday, October 17 Philly's Dance Collective**

ContempraDance Theatre presents Philly's Dance Collective, an evening of eclectic dance works performed by Philadelphia's top professional dance companies and independent artists. Performing this evening are: Versatile Hip Hop Dance Company, Chisena Danza, Tara Madsen, ContempraDance Theatre, Tapography Dancers, Brandywine Ballet Theatre, Sharp Dance Company, Kate Jordan Dance and Alchemy Dance Company.

### **Saturday October 18 ContempraDance Theatre**

ContempraDance Theatre "*Heats the Stage*" with an evening of original dance works by Artistic Director and Choreographer, Gail Vartanian. Works include: *Within my Soul*, A dramatic depiction of a woman's struggle to come to terms with her relationships; *Whispering Echoes*, a duet depicting fierce unbridled love and passion. *Intersect* a multi-media dance work with original music by local artists Autovon and the exuberant, *Exotic Birds*.

Described by the Palm Beach Post as "powerful and bold" and "a vibrant addition to the dance scene", ContempraDance Theatre seamlessly blends elements of classical and contemporary styles with a jazzy, "street" verve in bringing its captivating performances to local, national and international audiences. The company's eclectic repertoire employs original music, video art, innovative lighting and set designs along with new choreography for maximum audience impact. ContempraDance Theatre's 15<sup>th</sup> season will include original choreography by Artistic Director and founder Gail Vartanian and Assistant Director Michelle Jones-Wurtz. The company captivates audiences through its artistic innovation and explosive performances year-round, both locally and abroad. "Breathtakingly Flawless," "Vartanian's brilliant choreography shines," Suburban Wayne Times.

Tickets to the ContempraDance Theatre performance are \$22 for adults and \$20 for students. Discounts are available for groups of 20 or more. Tickets can be reserved by calling ContempraDance Theatre, 610-225-3007. Visa and MasterCard are accepted. More information is available at the theatre's web site, [www.contempradancetheatre.org](http://www.contempradancetheatre.org).

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