

Tokyo Tokyo FESTIVAL Special 13

Announces the Launch of a Performance Project DANCE TRUCK TOKYO
Traveling diverse 15 locations in Tokyo to summer 2020

Tokyo (September 4, 2019) – DANCE TRUCK TOKYO is a project planned and produced by the Japan Dance Truck Association that will be held as part of the "Tokyo Tokyo FESTIVAL Special 13" organized by the Tokyo Metropolitan Government and Arts Council Tokyo (Tokyo Metropolitan Foundation for History and Culture). Using the box of a cargo truck parked at an outdoor public space as a stage, this night festival presents short performances by a number of cutting-edge artists from Japanese contemporary dance scene.

The one-year project will employ a "solar truck" equipped with solar panels to tour Tokyo. The holistic performance with projected image and music transforms the compact space of a cargo truck into a device to integrate "body, light and sound," which changes everyday landscapes in the city drastically. The project will start on September 5th 2019 at Shinjuku Chuo Park, and take place in 15 locations in Tokyo, including the wards of central Tokyo, the Tama area and the Tokyo islands until summer 2020. Five of the performances will take place in the following sites from September to November 2019 (Location for performances in 2020 will be announced later). Please stay tuned to DANCE TRUCK TOKYO, traveling throughout Tokyo and showcasing the diverse landscapes in the area.

Time period: From September 2019 to August 2020

Locations: 15 sites throughout the wards of central Tokyo, Tama area, and Tokyo islands

Admission: Free

Organizers: the Tokyo Metropolitan Government and Arts Council Tokyo (Tokyo Metropolitan Foundation for History and Culture)

Planning and production: Japan Dance Truck Association

Joint production: Offsite Dance Project

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Five Locations for Performances in 2019

[1] Shinjuku Chuo Park / Water Plaza Date and Time: September 5 (Thu) 18:30-20:30

Performers: ANTIBODIES Collective, Mikiko Kawamura, Tsuyoshi Shirai/Yugo Morikawa(Polygon Head), NEWCOMER "H" SOKERISSA!, Yukio Suzuki, ZVIZMO (Atsuhiko Ito x TENTENKO)

The park established on an old filter plant site in 1968. Performance will be held with skyscrapers of Shinjuku subcenter in the background.

[2] Adachi Wholesale Market Date and Time: September 22 (Sun) 18:00-19:00 / 20:00-21:00

Performers: OrganWorks, Momoko Shiraga, Yukio Suzuki, Koichiro Tamura, CRACK IRON ALBATROSSKET, Yoko Higashino "Kitchen of downtown Tokyo," rooted from a market opened in Edo period. The performance will transform Chuo-Oroshiuri-shijo, the only remaining auction market for marine products in the Tokyo metropolitan area with the atmosphere of Showa era.

[3] Komae / Tamagawa River Bank Date and Time: October 12 (Sat) 18:00-20:00

Performers: Aokid, KAMOSU, Kaho Kogure, Tsuyoshi Shirai/Ippey Yonezawa, Tenniscoats, Kumotaro Mukai
Tamagawa flows across the bedroom suburbs of Tokyo, and its bank is an oasis for people. Family-friendly programs will be held. Ground sheets and portable chairs will be allowed to bring in.

[4] Shibuya / Vacant Space in Udagawacho Date and Time: October 26 (Sat) , 27 (Sun) 18:00-20:00

Performers: Abe "M" ARIA, Yuya Igarashi, Mikiko Kawamura, Kitamari, She de cusu oh chee!, Tsuyoshi Shirai/Dill, Keiji Haino, Yoko Higashino, MEGANE(co.), Maki Morishita/Morishita STAND, Fuyuki Yamakawa, 6-dim+

An empty lot for a reconstruction of a building on Shibuya-koen dori Road. Different performers will appear day-by-day to illuminate the urban space which represents the metabolism of the metropolis.

[5] Fuchu / Keyaki Namiki Dori Date and Time: November 4 (Mon/Holiday) 16:30-18:00

Performers: Anna Irite/Hiromichi Sakamoto, Jon The Dog, Tsuyoshi Shirai/Yugo Morikawa (Polygon Head), Somatic Field Project, 6-dim+

The front approach to a Shrine Ōkunitama Jinja, one of the representative landscapes of Fuchu. The performance will be held in the central area of the city with many commercial facilities.

*Information for 2020 is to be announced.

*Please check the website for updates of details including the change of performers and in the case of bad weather.

*Performers and contents of programs may change without prior notice.

For more information about DANCE TRUCK TOKYO, visit <http://dance-truck.jp/tokyo/>

About Japan Dance Truck Association

The Japan Dance Truck Association was formed around contemporary dance artists in 2011. Inspired by the original Dance Truck from Atlanta, USA, the project was developed in 2012 and has appeared in 5 cities / 12 locations in Yokohama, Tokyo, Sendai, Kyoto and Beppu. Through networking by truck with various cities, we are exploring the effective use of vacant spaces in the city and new mobility in dance.

About Tokyo Tokyo FESTIVAL

Tokyo Tokyo FESTIVAL is an initiative that will see a variety of cultural programs unfold in the run-up to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games, promoting Tokyo's appeal as a city of arts and culture.

About Tokyo Tokyo FESTIVAL Special 13

The Tokyo Metropolitan Government and Arts Council Tokyo sought a wide range of creative and innovative ideas from the public for projects that would become the core of the cultural programs for the Tokyo Tokyo FESTIVAL.

From a total of 2,436 project proposals submitted from within Japan and overseas, 13 were selected for implementation. The 13 projects will be collectively named "Tokyo Tokyo FESTIVAL Special 13," and will be implemented in sequence towards 2020, when the Olympic and Paralympic Games Tokyo 2020 will be held.

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