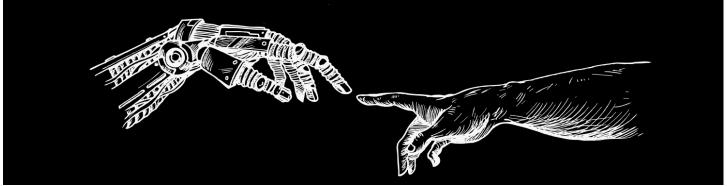
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## Museum Of Dance Takes its First Step: Connecting the Worlds of Technology + Choreography



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**SAN FRANCISCO, CA** – Local nonprofit, <u>Museum Of Dance</u>, aims to spark a new conversation among tech leaders, artists, and designers, at the launch of its premier event, "The Choreography of Emerging Technology" on Monday, November 18 from 5:30 – 9:00 PM at ODC Theater. Guests will be treated to an all-inclusive night of food, drinks, networking, movement and problem-solving exercises – designed to engage both the technical mind and artistic body.

This inaugural celebration marks the first in a series of San Francisco pop-up exhibitions and lectures that Museum Of Dance will host throughout 2020. "Dance is a critical expression of the Bay Area's experimentation, community, and activism," says Founder and CEO, Hilary Palanza, "Our goal is to break the walls between audience and performer; dancer and non-dancer; artist and computer scientist. With hands-on approaches, interactive exhibits, and new multi-disciplinary dialogues, we can include more people in on the dance conversation."

The evening will dive into the work of <u>Sydney Skybetter</u> – a cutting-edge choreographer, TEDx speaker, Brown University lecturer and researcher who studies the choreographics of humancomputer interfaces and mixed reality systems. In an intriguing examination of internet popculture phenomenon along with case studies on historical theater design, artificial intelligence, homeland security, and dancing military robots, Skybetter will guide participants on a rare journey, finding common ground between the worlds of technology and dance:

- UX/UI designers, product managers, engineers and coders will explore gesture as an essential component of design, and how they can empower more user-friendly technology.
- Artists will gain a newfound agency and understanding of how their work can serve multiple technological applications outside of the performing arts sphere.

Attendees from all backgrounds will enjoy hot-topic conversations and questions surrounding our collective technological future; an event designed with everyone in mind!

**About Museum of Dance:** <u>Museum of Dance</u> is a new San Francisco nonprofit dedicated to finding accessible spaces for all people to learn and engage with dance in new ways. We invite visitors to play and experience the magic of dance through hands-on approaches, including interactive exhibits, residencies for artists, a central space for technology, live process and curated performances. Our goal is to deepen the collective knowledge for this art form, and inspire greater appreciation for how dance creates meaning throughout communities, cultures and everyday life. Learn more at <u>museumdance.org</u>

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