

We are thrilled to announce the Dance Managers Collective's **2021 *Imagine Dance Festival***: a five-day festival of virtually delivered dance showcases with LIVE "meet-the-artist" events scheduled to align with the industry's [JanArtsNYC](#) convenings. The *2021 Imagine Dance Festival* includes new dances available for virtual engagements as well as dances available once touring and gathering live audiences is again safe.

The *2021 Imagine Dance Festival* opens on **Wed, Jan 6 at 11am (EST)** and runs live thru midnight, **Sun, Jan 10 (EST)**. Elsie artist showcases are **Wed, Jan 6, 11am-NOON (EST) and Th&Fri, Jan 7&8, 11am - 1pm (EST)**. Full details [here](#).

The Festival's entire programming is available for viewing **thru midnight, Sunday, Feb 7, 2021 (EST)**. View the complete schedule [here](#).

We are excited to offer LIVE moments when you can be in conversation with Elsie artists & companies accompanied by an esteemed colleague. Here is the Elsie line-up of showcasing artists & companies with the special guest moderators noted:

#### **Wed, Jan 6, 2021 (EST)**

##### **11-11:30am: Trisha Brown Dance Company, *Trisha Brown: In Plain Site***

closing LIVE event: Carolyn Lucas, Associate Artistic Director and company dancers with moderator [Kristy Edmunds](#), Executive and Artistic Director, UCLA's Center for the Art of Performance.

##### **11:30am-NOON: Ann Carlson with Inkboat, *These are the Ones We Fell Among***

closing LIVE event: Ann Carlson with moderator [Carla Peterson](#), Director, MANCC (Maggie Allesee National Center for Choreography)

##### **NOON-1:00pm: ARTIST PANEL (TBA)**

Artist Panel with Yanira Castro (Artistic Director, a canary torsi), Rafael Palacios (Artistic Director, Sankofa Danzafro), Aparna Ramaswamy (Co Artistic Director, Ragamala Dance Company), and Michael Sakamoto (choreographer) with moderator TBA

#### **Th, Jan 7, 2021 (EST)**

##### **11-11:30am: a canary torsi | Yanira Castro, *Last Audience: a performance manual***

closing LIVE event: Yanira Castro and moderator [Tara Aisha Willis](#), Associate Curator of Performance, MCA Chicago.

##### **11:30am-NOON: eVenti Verticali, *Quadro***

closing LIVE event: Claudia Muresu, Company Manager & Andrea Piallini, Co Artistic Director with moderator [Kathleen Pletcher](#), Executive Artistic Director, FirstWorks

**NOON-12:30pm: Sankofa Danzafro, *Accommodating Lie***

closing LIVE event: Rafael Palacios with moderator [Aaron Mattocks](#), Director of Programming, The Joyce Theater

**12:30-1pm: Sankofa Danzafro, *Black Voices***

closing LIVE event: Rafael Palacios, Artistic Director with moderator [Akiba Abaka](#), Co Artistic Director, Akiba Abaka Arts

**Fri, Jan 8, 2021 (EST)**

**11-11:30am: fuse\*, *Dökk***

closing LIVE event: founder & Co Director, Mattia Carretti with moderator [Aaron Shackelford](#), Director, Ferst Center.

**11:30am-NOON: Monica Bill Barnes & Company, *Keep Moving***

closing LIVE event: Monica Bill Barnes, Artistic Director & Robbie Saenz de Viteri, Creative Producing Director with moderator [Jodee Nimerichter](#), Executive Director, American Dance Festival.

**NOON-12:30pm: Ragamala Dance Company, *Fires of Varanasi***

closing LIVE event: Raneer Ramaswamy & Aparna Ramaswamy, Co Artistic Directors with moderator with [Mary Lou Aleskie](#), Director, Hopkins Center for the Arts.

**12:30-1pm: Ashwini Ramaswamy, *Let the Crows Come***

closing LIVE event: Ashwini Ramaswamy with moderator [Christy Bolingbroke](#), Executive & Artistic Director, NCCAakron (National Center for Choreography located at The University of Akron)

You can read more details about each work being showcased here:

<https://www.elsieman.org/showcases/>

Reserve [here](#) to receive the vimeo link to the Elsie Management 2021 Dance Showcases and the 2021 *Imagine Dance Festival*.