

RAMBERT

PRESS RELEASE

Introducing Rambert2: the new ensemble from Rambert launches its inaugural UK tour this autumn

World Premiere: Theatr Clywd, Flintshire, Thursday 25 October

London Premiere: Sadler's Wells, Tuesday 6 November

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- Rambert's brand new ensemble of 13 of the world's best young dancers, chosen from 800 applicants after open auditions
- A premiere from Rambert's Guest Artistic Director, Benoit Swan Pouffer, in collaboration with British musician GAIKA and designers COTTWEILER
- Revivals of two dance works that launched the international careers of their choreographers
- Both Rambert ensembles perform in London and Bath, with Rambert presenting the final performances of the iconic *Ghost Dances*



Rambert presents its new company with a programme of dance showcasing the most exhilarating and fierce choreography around today.

Rambert2 will premiere *Grey Matter*, a new dance work by Rambert's Guest Artistic Director, **Benoit Swan Pouffer**, with original music by Brixton-born electronic and dancehall artist **GAIKA** and designs by London-based fashion duo **COTTWEILER**.

The triple bill will also include two works that launched the international careers of their choreographers: *E2 7SD*, a duet by Sydney Dance Company artistic director and former

Rambert dancer **Rafael Bonachela**, and ***Killer Pig*** by Israeli dance star **Sharon Eyal**; a group work showcasing her intense and distinctive movement style.

In London and Bath, both Rambert's ensembles perform in the same evening, with Rambert presenting the final performances of ***Ghost Dances***, one of the most celebrated contemporary dance pieces of its generation and an evocative tribute to the victims of political oppression in South America.

Rambert2 is a collaboration between Rambert and Rambert School, bringing together dancers with outstanding ability, creativity and individuality to form a second Rambert ensemble. Rambert2 will tour venues around the UK as well as creating and delivering unique education and learning experiences for schools and communities.

Following a national and international call for applications in November 2017, auditions to Rambert2 took place in February 2018. From over 800 applications, 13 dancers successfully completed five audition rounds; the final 13 come from six different countries in Asia, the Americas and Europe, with nine having trained in UK dance institutions.

Notes to Editors

RAMBERT PRESENTS: TWO

Rambert2 triple bill plus Rambert in *Ghost Dances* by Christopher Bruce

Ghost Dances

Choreography and set	Christopher Bruce
Music arranged by	Nicholas Mojsiejenko
Costume design	Belinda Scarlett
Lighting design	Nick Chelton

Sadler's Wells, London

Tue 6 – Sat 10 Nov 2018
sadlerswells.co.uk

Theatre Royal Bath

Thu 15 – Sat 17 Nov 2018
theatroyal.org.uk

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***Grey Matter* (NEW Benoit Swan Pouffer)**

Choreography	Benoit Swan Pouffer
Music	GAIKA
Lighting design	Lee Curran
Costume design	COTTWEILER
Stylist and creative advisor	Edda Gudmundsdottir

E2 TSD

Choreography	Rafael Bonachela
Sound sculpture	Oswaldo Macia
Lighting design	Lee Curran
Re-staged by	Antonia Grove

Killer Pig

Choreography
Music
Lighting design
Costumes
Re-staged by

Sharon Eyal, Gai Behar
Ori Lichtik
Avi Yona "Bambi" Bueno
Sharon Eyal, Gai Behar, Odelia Arnold
Leo Lerus

TOUR DATES**Theatr Clwyd, Flintshire**

Thu 25 – Sat 27 Oct 2018
theatrclwyd.com

The Lighthouse, Poole

Tue 30 – Wed 31 Oct 2018
lighthousepoole.co.uk

Norwich Playhouse

Thu 31 Jan – Fri 1 Feb 2019
norwichplayhouse.co.uk

Exeter Northcott

Tue 12 – Wed 13 Feb 2019
exeternorthcott.co.uk

The MAC, Belfast

Fri 22 – Sat 23 Feb 2019
themaclive.com

G Live Guildford

Tue 5 – Wed 6 March 2019
glive.co.uk

Oxford Playhouse

Fri 8 – Sat 9 March 2019
oxfordplayhouse.co.uk

Cast, Doncaster

Fri 22 – Sat 23 March 2019
castindoncaster.com

Theatre Royal Winchester

Tue 2 April 2019
theatreroyalwinchester.co.uk

artsdepot, London

Thu 4 Apr 2019
artsdepot.co.uk

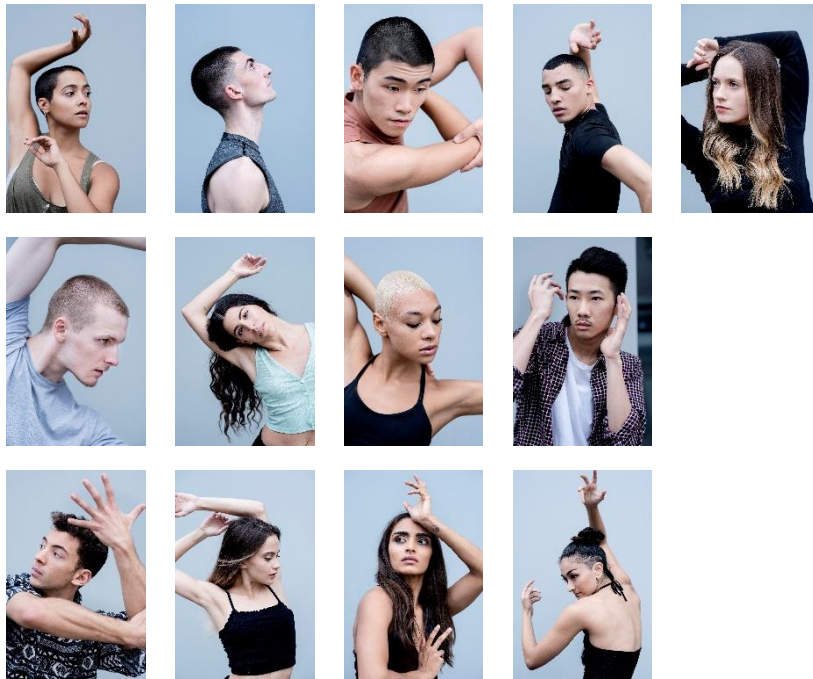
Kings Theatre Edinburgh

Fri 24 – Sat 25 May 2019
capitaltheatres.com

Bristol Old Vic

Thu 6 – Sat 8 Jun 2019
bristololdvic.org.uk

Presenting the dancers of Rambert2:



From top left to bottom right:

Imogen Alvares
Joshua Attwood
Max Day
Meshach Henry
Faye Stoeser
Conor Kerrigan
Darlyn Perez
Salomé Pressac
Hua Han
Antonello Sangirardi
Artemis Stamouli
Aishwarya Raut
Melody Tamiz

Rambert2 is supported by The Linbury Trust and is a collaboration with Rambert School. The inaugural season is commissioned by Sadler's Wells, with additional support from artsdepot.

Rambert is Britain's national dance company. It produces new and historic dance works for audiences throughout the UK and around the world, performed by world-class dancers and accompanied by live music. Rambert has been making dance for 90 years. Its home on London's South Bank, which opened in 2014, is a centre for creativity, talent development and community engagement. Rambert works in partnership with local authorities, schools, hospitals and health care providers, social enterprises, charities, businesses and arts organisations to extend its reach to people of all ages, backgrounds and circumstances, giving tens of thousands of people each year opportunities to watch, take part and learn through dance.

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