

## About Us

Now in our 34<sup>th</sup> year, UC Dancers is the University of Chicago's oldest dance group. We foster a supportive and creative environment for dancers of all levels to explore movement as a form of expression. We achieve this goal through open auditions, encouraging student choreography and performance, and sponsoring free classes to strengthen the university's dance community. We welcome dancers of all levels, shapes, and ages to perform in an annual winter concert featuring modern and contemporary jazz.

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A poster for the "Wanderlust UC Dancers" performance. The background is a grey gradient with a large, abstract, red wireframe graphic of a dancer's arm and hand. The text "BARTLETT ARTS REHEARSAL SPACE" is in the top right. The title "wanderlust UC DANCERS" is in the center. The performance schedule is listed on the left: Friday March 2 at 8 PM, Saturday March 3 at 8 PM, and Sunday March 4 at 1 PM. The choreographer is Michael Rioux. Ticket prices are listed in the bottom right: \$5 for students and \$8 for non-students.

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## ARTISTIC DIRECTOR'S NOTE

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the choreographers and dancers on putting together a beautiful show and thank them for their dedication over the last couple months. Their passion for dance is evident both on and off stage, and *Wanderlust* would not have come together without all of their hard work. Thank you for coming and enjoy the show!

----- Jennifer Wells-Qu  
*Artistic Director, 2011 – 2012*  
*University of Chicago Dancers*

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2011 – 2012

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### **Thanks for the Memories**

*Choreographer(s)* Miranda Cherkas  
*Dancers* Anastasia Belozertseva, Maya Bulkeley-Krane, Lauren Clarke, Meg Lippincott, Ione Locher, Fiona Malone, Hilde Nelson, Jessen O'Brien  
*Music* "Thanks for the Memories" by Fall Out Boy

### **She Ain't Heavy**

*Choreographer(s)* Shawnteal Peery  
*Dancers Part I* Katie Hunter, Adam Kratoska  
*Dancers Part II* Christine Huang, Meaghan Murphy, Michelle Rodriguez, Madeline Sokal  
*Music* "Heavy in your Arms" by Florence and the Machine and "Lean" by Oh Land

### **Hometown Glory**

*Choreographer(s)* Hilde Nelson and Frederica Rockwood  
*Dancers* Anastasia Belozertseva, Lauren Clarke, Molly Green, Hilde Nelson, Frederica Rockwood, Ava Weiss  
*Music* "Hometown Glory" by Adele

### **Changing Seasons**

*Choreographer(s)* Ione Locher  
*Dancers* Lauren Clarke, Ione Locher, Frederica Rockwood, Ava Weiss  
*Music* "Music for a Found Harmonium" by the Penguin Café Orchestra

## **CHOREOGRAPHER BIOS**

### *Professional Choreographer:*

**Michael Rioux** is a performance and visual artist. The long list of companies Mikey has performed with includes River North Chicago, Luna Negra Dance Theater, Mordine & Co., Lucky Plush Productions, Same Planet Different World, Scott/Powell Performance, Lingo Dance, Nandanse, and Salt Horse. In 2001 Mikey formed Impetus Dance Theater and served as Artistic Director until 2005 when he picked up and moved to Seattle. While in Seattle Mikey received his BFA in printmaking and video from Cornish College of the Arts, and formed The Sho. The Sho is a vehicle for Mikey's solo performance and dance film work. The Sho has been presented by PICA's TBA Festival, Ten Tiny Dances Seattle, and the Northwest Film Forum. Mikey's choreography has been performed by Mordine & Co., Instruments of Movement, Lehua Dance Theater, Cornish Dance Theater, Chicago Dance Crash, and Giordano's Jazz Dance. Mikey has been a faculty member at Lou Conte Dance Studio, Velocity Dance Center, and the Spectrum Dance Theater School. Currently Mikey dances with Kate Corby & Dancers and teaches at Visceral Dance Center.

### *Student Choreographers:*

**Anastasia Belozertseva** is a fourth year Econ and Physics major and has also been dancing her whole life.

**Miranda Cherkas** is a first-year and plans to major in Political Science. She started dancing at age three, and she enjoys everything from ballet to hip-hop. Miranda is very excited to have choreographed for the first time.

## CHOREOGRAPHER BIOS CONT.

**Crystal Holmes** is a graduate student at the University of Chicago. This is her second year with UC Dancers.

**Ione Locher** is a first year from Tucson, Arizona. She has had training in ballet, pointe, tap, jazz, modern, and African dance.

**Fiona Malone** is a fourth year Biology Major and has been dancing in one form or another for years.

**Hilde Nelson** is a first year planning to be a history major. A member of Linn-Mathews house, she has been dancing since she was three and is very excited to be choreographing for the first time with Frederica.

**Shawnteal Peery** is in her fourth and final year choreographing for UC Dancers, and she couldn't have asked for a better finale! She is eternally grateful to UC Dancers for giving her a consistent creative outlet and giving her the courage to take artistic risks. She will be graduating in the spring with a B.A. in History.

**Frederica Rockwood** is a first year planning to major in biology and minor in Italian. A member of Linn-Mathews house, she enjoys contemporary/modern dance and warm brownie sundaes.

UC Dancers Presents:

# Wanderlust

## Graveyard Study #2

*Choreographer(s)* Mikey Rioux with the dancers  
*Dancers* Jessica Avva, Steffi Carter, Miranda Cherkas, Lauren Clarke, Danielle Labotka, Ione Locher, Jessen O'Brien  
*Music* James Blake

## Set Fire to the Rain

*Choreographer(s)* Anastasia Belozertseva and Fiona Malone  
*Dancers* Jenna Bekeny, Anastasia Belozertseva, Maya Bulkeley-Krane, Michelle Hwang, Emily Leung, Fiona Malone  
*Music* "Set Fire to the Rain" by Adele

## Sealion

*Choreographer(s)* Crystal Holmes  
*Dancers* Maya Bulkeley-Krane, Crystal Holmes, Sakina Kazmi, Meg Lippincott, Katja Mimms, Madeline Sokal  
*Music* "Sealion" by Feast

~ Intermission ~