



## 20 Performers, 4 Shows, 1 Breathtaking Dance Work Don't miss Heidi Latsky's "The GIMP PROJECT: IF" this June!

La MaMa Moves! Dance Festival presents "The GIMP Project: IF," an evening of work that honors and underscores the beauty and complex phenomenon of difference. "IF" is a breathtaking dance performance with a diverse cast of 20 that is multi-generational, multiracial and of mixed ability. Two renowned aerialists will be rejoining the cast all the way from California and special guest performer Joan Finkelstein is being honored at LaMaMa Moves! this year for her remarkable contributions to the modern dance world.

"The GIMP Project" is a fluid and ongoing creative venture. Choreographer Heidi Latsky has gathered her most exquisite and visually arresting sections for this one weekend performance of "IF" at La MaMa. From an aerial duet on the silks; to an etched trio mysteriously drawn to a free standing wall; to a large group of performers seemingly unable to move without the support of the space they inhabit; this work is moving and striking.

Performances run June 16-18 at The Ellen Stewart Theater at La MaMa (66 East 4th Street, between 2nd Ave. and the Bowery). Thursday-Saturday shows are at 7:30 PM with an additional Saturday matinee at 2:30 PM. Tickets are \$15 and \$10 for students. Group discounts are available for a savings of 10% per ticket.

Heidi Latsky Dance is a New York-based modern dance company dedicated to creating provocative, highly technical and physically adventurous dance under the artistic direction of Heidi Latsky, a longtime principal member of Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane Dance Company. Hailed by Jennifer Dunning of the New York Times as "a choreographer and dancer of uncommon intelligence and fluidity," Latsky has been a moving force in the dance world for over 25 years, creating works for the stage, theater and film.

The company has had a national presence throughout the US in venues like Boston's ICA and The Kennedy Center and internationally in Nepal, Liverpool, Dublin and Germany. Artistic Director Heidi Latsky, hailed as a "disability rights speaker," has lectured at venues including Harvard, Barnard and the Society for Arts in Healthcare. Heidi Latsky Dance was an Artist in Residence at the Jewish Community Center in 2010 and "The GIMP Project" is supported by the Creative Capital program. For a comprehensive list of recent international touring and domestic performances, outreach and lectures check out: [www.thegimpproject.com/schedule](http://www.thegimpproject.com/schedule).

### Video Links:

**CNN: Breaking Barriers in Dance** [http://bit.ly/HLD\\_CNN](http://bit.ly/HLD_CNN)

**NET Television: Life as a Dance: A Nebraska Story** [http://bit.ly/HLD\\_NET](http://bit.ly/HLD_NET)

**"GIMP beautifully  
resets preconceptions  
about bodies  
and movement."  
—The New Yorker**



"Heidi Latsky's GIMP...is one of those ideas that arrive as visionary, only to soon inspire the question: Why Not?"

—Chicago Tribune

"If art is supposed to make you think, feel, and experience something outside of the bounds of what you are accustomed to, IF is just that work."

—Huffington Post

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