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Rotunda Dance Series: Mussel Rock Cloggers
Presented by Dancers' Group and World Arts West,
in partnership with Grants for the Arts and
San Francisco City Hall

#### Free

Friday, November 4, 2016 12 Noon San Francisco City Hall

SAN FRANCISCO, CA—October 3, 2016—In their sixth season of free monthly dance performances in San Francisco City Hall's extraordinary rotunda, Dancers' Group and World Arts West continue their partnership to bring audiences lunchtime glimpses into movement and musical traditions from around the world.

This November, with their distinctive high energy and precise percussive footwork, the Mussel Rock Cloggers will captivate passersby and audience alike. The first half of this performance will tell the early stories of San Francisco's Barbary Coast, reflecting everything from the climate, energy, and history of our city through more traditional routines that incorporate elements of square dance. The second half of the show will tell modern stories of immigration and industry through more contemporary clogging techniques.

The Rotunda Dance Series 2016 concludes with a performance by Bolivia Corazón de América (December 9). The 2017 Rotunda Dance Series will be announced shortly.

The Series brings many of the Bay Area's most celebrated dance companies to San Francisco City Hall's rotunda space for free monthly noon-time performances. The Rotunda Dance series is presented by Dancers' Group and World Arts West in partnership with Grants for the Arts and San Francisco City Hall.

### About The Mussel Rock Cloggers (facebook.com/musselrockcloggers)

The Mussel Rock Cloggers are an offshoot of the Barbary Coast Cloggers that developed out of the performance workshops at San Francisco's Rhythm & Motion. The group began to provide performance opportunities to both men and women cloggers in the Bay Area. The Mussel Rock Cloggers perform a contemporary style of clogging that includes intricate footwork.

### About World Arts West (worldartswest.org)

For over three decades, World Arts West has supported and presented world dance artists throughout the San Francisco Bay Area. The main presenting program of the organization is the nationally acclaimed San Francisco Ethnic Dance Festival, which

presents over 100 distinct dance forms and thousands of local dancers who are sustaining and innovating within those forms. The organization works year round to advance cultural literacy and build bridges of cultural understanding.

## **About Dancers' Group (dancersgroup.org)**

Dancers' Group promotes the visibility and viability of dance. Founded in 1982, we serve San Francisco Bay Area artists, the dance community and audiences through programs and services that are as collaborative and innovative as the creative process itself. In response to the needs of its constituents, Dancers' Group has evolved to fulfill a dual function as a service organization and as a presenter of performance opportunities that maximize the visibility of dance in the Bay Area.

### Save the Date for the last 2016 Rotunda Dance Series

Friday, December 9: Bolivia Corazón de América

# Calendar Editors please note:

Who: Rotunda Dance Series: The Mussel Rock Cloggers

What: Free monthly dance performance, presented by Dancers' Group and World Arts

West, in partnership with Grants for the Arts and San Francisco City Hall.

Cost: Free

Where: City Hall, San Francisco

When: Friday, November 4, 2016, Noon

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