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## **Rotunda Dance Series: Dance Brigade**

Presented by Dancers' Group and World Arts West, in partnership with San Francisco Grants for the Arts and San Francisco City Hall

## Free

Dec 2, 2011, 12 Noon San Francisco City Hall

SAN FRANCISCO, CA—October 24, 2011—Celebrate the holidays with a free dance performance at San Francisco City Hall with **Dance Brigade** as they present excerpts from their holiday extravaganza, *The Revolutionary Nutcracker Sweetie- The Kidz Version!* This work takes a twist on the classic, as Clara goes on a magical journey with a freedom fighting Nutcracker. This free performance is part of the **Rotunda Dance Series**, bringing the Bay Area's most acclaimed dance companies to San Francisco City Hall for free noon performances the first Friday of each month. Join us for this compelling lunchtime dance performance amidst the grandeur of San Francisco City Hall—Friday, Dec 2, 2011 at noon.

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**About Dance Brigade (dancebrigade.org)** Dance Brigade is sumptuous dancing; biting, intellectual, insightful wit; and provocative originality. This dynamic multi-racial troupe of women proves that socially relevant dance can be technically brilliant, as well as exuberant with down-home hilarious fun. This company dances at full throttle. Artistic Director, Krissy Keefer explores the intersection between art and social issues with fierce inventiveness and a deft comic touch. Her content driven choreographies are a high-energy blend of ballet, modern dance, jazz, song, text, sign language and explosive Taiko drumming. The company has created over 10 full-length concerts of contemporary dance theater and resides in the heart of the Mission District in San Francisco at Dance Mission Theater, where they operate a 140-seat theater, dance studios, adult and youth classes. *The Revolutionary Nutcracker Sweetie* was originally created by the Dance Brigade in 1987 and was performed over 10 years in Oakland to over 40,000 people and with 500 Bay Area artists.

**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. As the primary dance service organization for the

second largest dance community in the country, Dancers' Group's many programs help artists produce work, build audiences, and connect with their peers and the community.

**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.

## Future Rotunda Dance Series FREE performances include:

2012 Rotunda programming will be announced at dancersgroup.org shortly. The series will continue in February with the same monthly first-Friday format.

## Calendar Editors please note:

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Cost: Free

Where: City Hall, San Francisco When: Friday, Dec 2, 2011, Noon

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