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Rotunda Dance Series: Joe Goode Performance Group

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

Free

Friday, June 2, 2017

12 Noon

San Francisco City Hall

SAN FRANCISCO, CA— May 1, 2017—In their seventh season presenting 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 June, Joe Goode Performance Group will perform a sampling of performance excerpts, including a preview of the company's new work, *Nobody Lives Here Now.* Nobody Lives Here Now, tells the story of a fantastical world where the things that anchor us rapidly shift and erode, leaving those behind faced with sudden transformation. The piece mines questions of identity, aging, and disappearance as part of the fragile human condition.

Next up for the Rotunda performance series will be the Monaco Boys Choir, and Madhuri Kishore School of Kuchipudi, among others.

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

About Joe Goode Performance Group (<u>joegoode.org</u>)

Over the past 30 years, Joe Goode Performance Group has been at the forefront of dance-theater, synthesizing text, song, and humor with deeply physical, high velocity movement.

Led by Artistic Director Joe Goode, the company seeks to open audience's' minds to the limitless potential of where and how performance and movement can be experienced. In addition to producing new dance theater works that tour nationally and internationally, the company is committed to the belief that people of all ages and backgrounds have important and illuminating things say, questions to ask, and ways to creatively contribute. This belief is expressed in the company's robust education programs for adults and youth, and in its work with combat veterans in The Resilience Project. In 2011 the company opened a studio at Project Artaud in San Francisco. The Joe Goode Annex serves as a hub in the Bay Area for the dance and performance community by providing rehearsal, performance, and event space.

About World Arts West (<u>worldartswest.org</u>)

For nearly four 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 (<u>dancersgroup.org</u>)

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.

Coming up during the 2017 Rotunda Dance Series

July 14: Monaco Boys Choir

The Series will continue on Fridays this Fall:

September 1 October 6 November 3

December 1

Calendar Editors please note:

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