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VDF 2026 is our biggest and boldest program yet, featuring more international guests, workshops, opportunities, exhibitors, and activities than ever before.

This year marks an exciting new chapter for us. We're thrilled to welcome our new Artistic Director, Max Trengove, whose energy, imagination, and adventurous vision are already shaping an incredible future for VDF. The program we have created with Max and our team is extraordinary, and we can't wait for you to experience it!

We acknowledge and extend our heartfelt thanks to the brilliant Yvette Lee, who served as Artistic Director from 2018 to 2025. Yvette's leadership, creativity, and dedication have left an indelible mark on VDF, and we are deeply grateful for the legacy she leaves behind.

Here's to three days of DANCE, community, performance and passion.

See you on the dance floor,

Deborah Searle & Daniel Searle
Directors

It is my sincere privilege to welcome everyone to VDF 2026! In my first year as Artistic Director, I want to firstly express my deepest gratitude to Deborah and Daniel Searle for your trust and collaboration, as well as to Yvette Lee for your care and wisdom. I am honoured to now work in this position after having spent the past 8 years living and working overseas.

I am very proud to be Australian and of the excellent reputation we have collectively earned internationally.

VDF to me, represents so much of what the Victorian dance community truly is. It is a collection of people with all different goals, interests and views. People of all different ages and from different types of training. Dancers, teachers, parents, ex-dancers, choreographers, business owners and so many other things. It is comprised of people from across the city, across the state, across the country and further. No matter how long someone is here they are a part of our identity, all of them make up the fabric of what our dance community is. In my 30+ years as a dancer, I am still finding new areas of dance, learning new ideas and meeting new friends.

If I could give just one piece of advice it would be the same for people of all ages: **stay curious.**

The world is bigger than we may sometimes think. There is such incredible power to be gained by opening your eyes and your minds. Do something different and something new whenever you can. Expose yourself to new environments and work for the empathy to understand new perspectives. VDF presents some pretty great opportunities to do exactly that: if a teacher you learn from every week is teaching, I would encourage you to take a different class. Have a conversation with people from another school or people from other cities. Don't be so caught up in your own world that you miss what is going on in the world all around you. It is compassion and kindness that will bring you true success in your individual careers as well as what will strengthen us all as a community.

I know it may be corny to say but dance means everything to me.

It can be a crazy world out there but it is dance that brings us all together to be at VDF. We all share it and it is what unites us. I would love to work towards finding more ways to share, unite and collaborate, rather than to compete and divide under separate banners. Hard work, perseverance, determination and striving for excellence are crucial for whatever success we each seek, but I genuinely believe we will all become stronger working together.

And what a place to be doing it! It can be easy to overlook what we really have here. But I hope to spread as much of my optimism and enthusiasm for dance in this state as I possibly can. This is a truly wonderful place to be a dancer. Stay curious, there is more happening than you may see.

Remember that when you're having the absolute best time in classes with brilliant teachers and so many fellow dancers across the VDF weekend.

I can't wait to see you all there!

All of my love,

Max



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This year's message is about the benefits of coming together and to grow as one in this industry that we love.

Your teachers know and your parents know that doing workshops will have benefits for your continued improvement both in the short term and the long term. It will also have benefits of growing your confidence and knowledge that you can put yourself out there even if it feels a little uncomfortable. You know that feeling, where you don't know anyone and you ask yourself 'will I fit in?'

What a wonderful opportunity VDF is, where you get to meet people from all over the country!

What a gift your parents are giving you.

Are you shy? Are you outgoing? Whatever type of YOU you are, remember you are unique and there is only one of you in the world. That makes you special.

Here on the VDF platter of life is an amazing opportunity to meet other like minded dancers and to engage and have meaningful conversations or to share a smile or a passing comment ... all interactions are important and will help to shape the artist you become. A smile costs nothing and if you see someone who is looking a little lost or perhaps intimidated with the busyness and number of people at VDF you could buddy up and make their experience special which will also enhance your own experience. You just never know, you may run into each other again when you are studying or even in a company or work environment or at next year's VDF. You may find a lifelong buddy – someone to connect with How special.

While you're dancing your parents can also get to know other parents and talk all things life like raising children, or chatting about their football teams or more likely the amazing dancers in their life.

I will also be at VDF and if you feel like coming up and saying hello I'm always up for a chat. You can usually find me walking around talking to people – parents, exhibitors, sponsors, friends.

I would also like to encourage you to say thank you to the organisers, your teachers and your parents for making this opportunity happen for you. How blessed you are to have wonderful people in your life and in your corner.

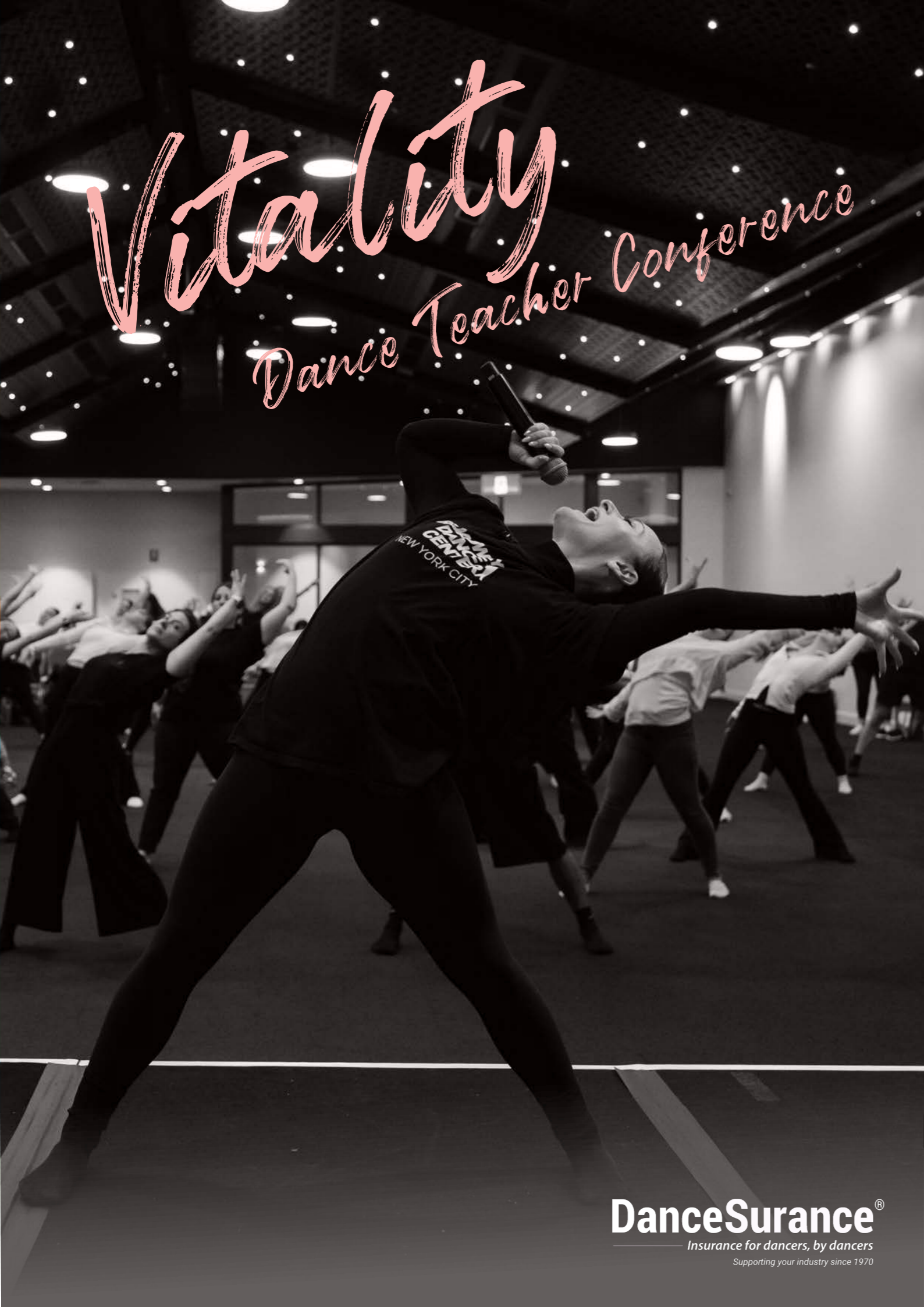
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12.30pm	EXCLUSIVE ACCESS: INTERNATIONAL INSIGHTS Al Blackstone, Ryan Saab, Marqui Kumavat, Victor Farinas, Chip Abbott, Daniel Keating, Ross Hannaford, Maxwell Trengove, Andrew Hallsworth & guests     			
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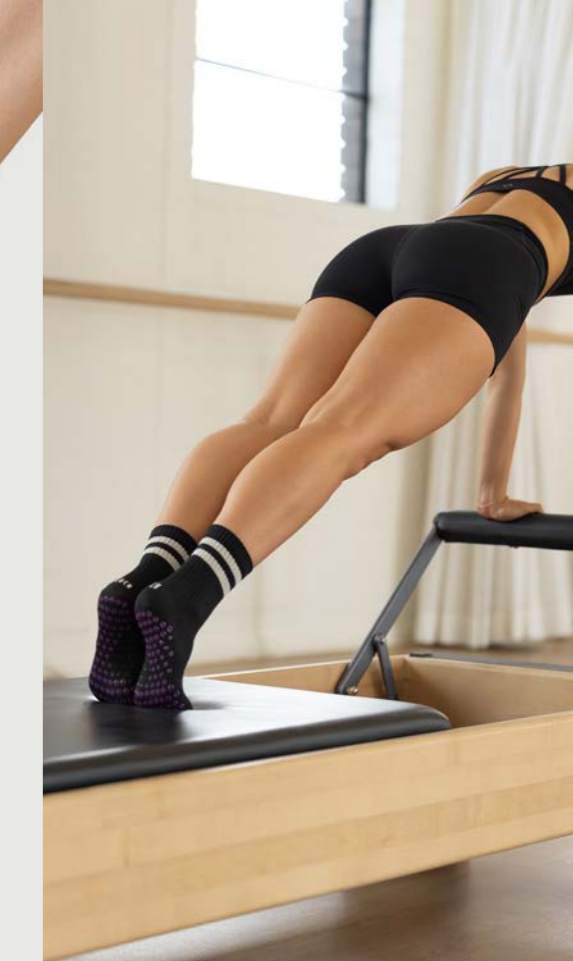
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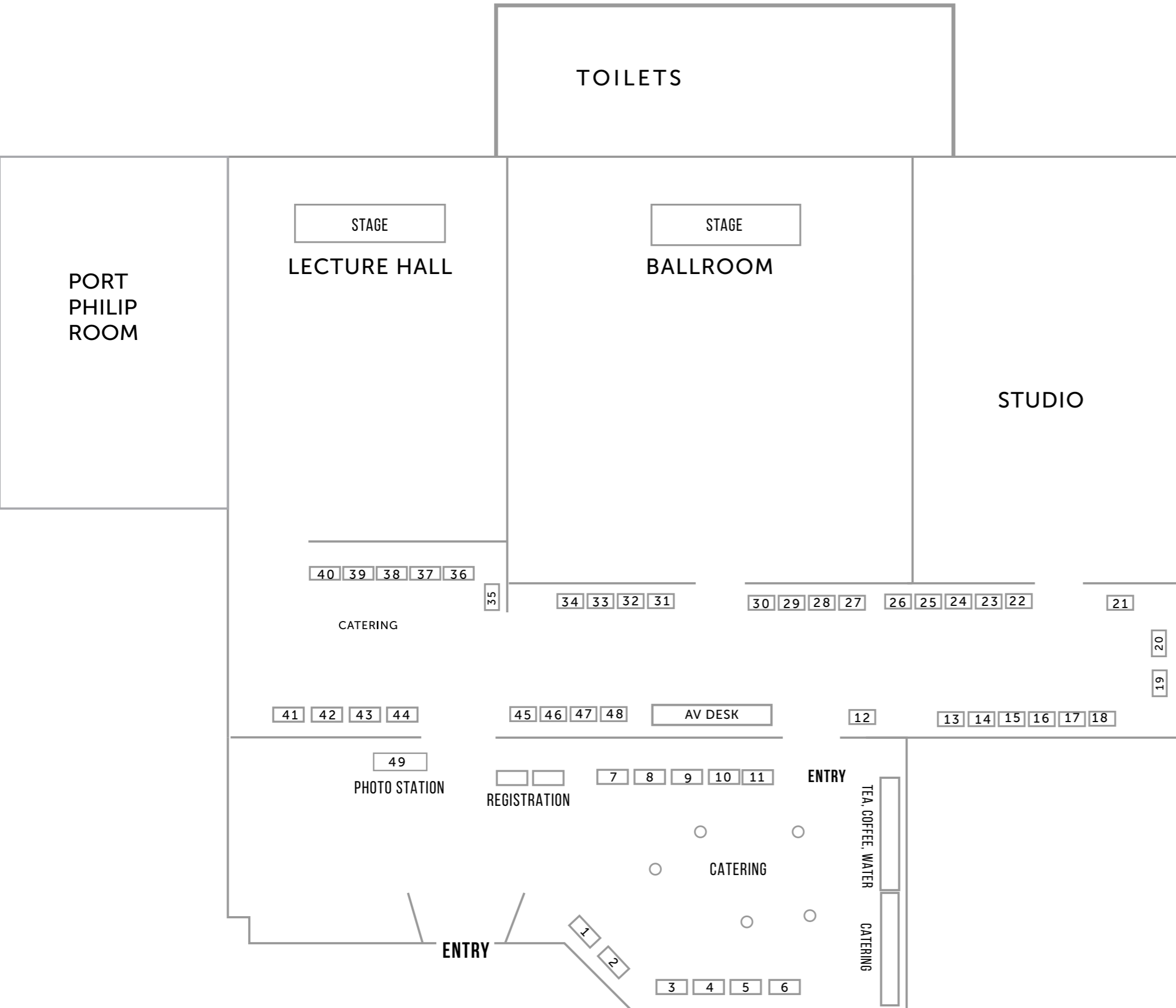
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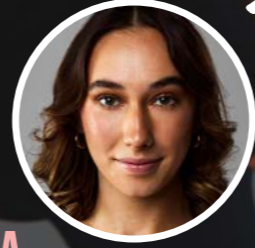


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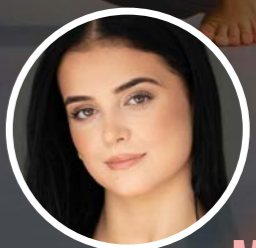
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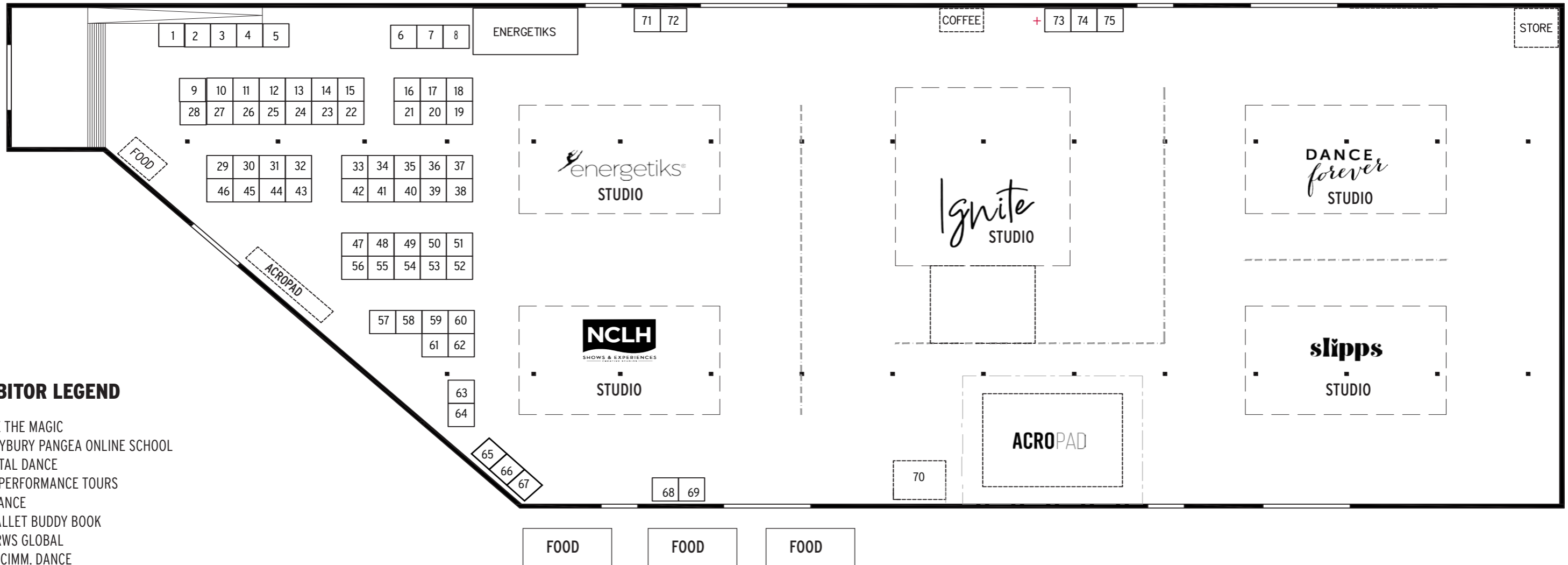
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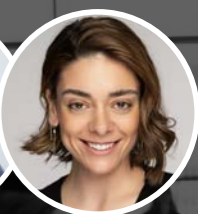
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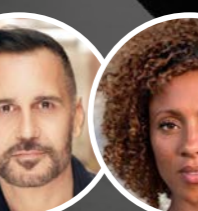
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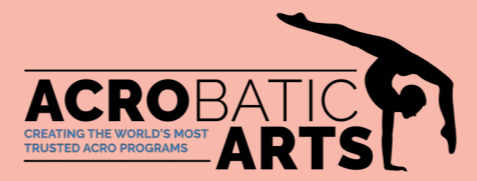
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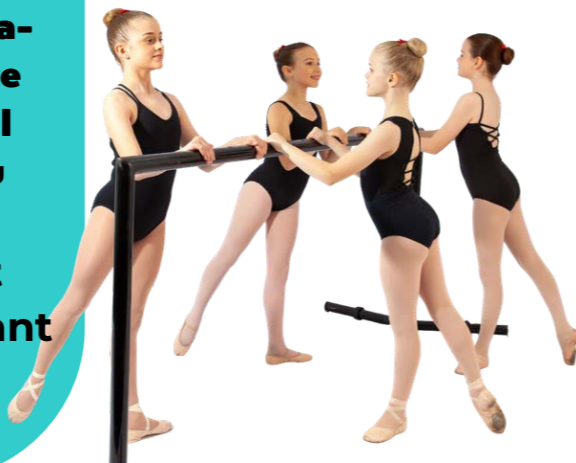


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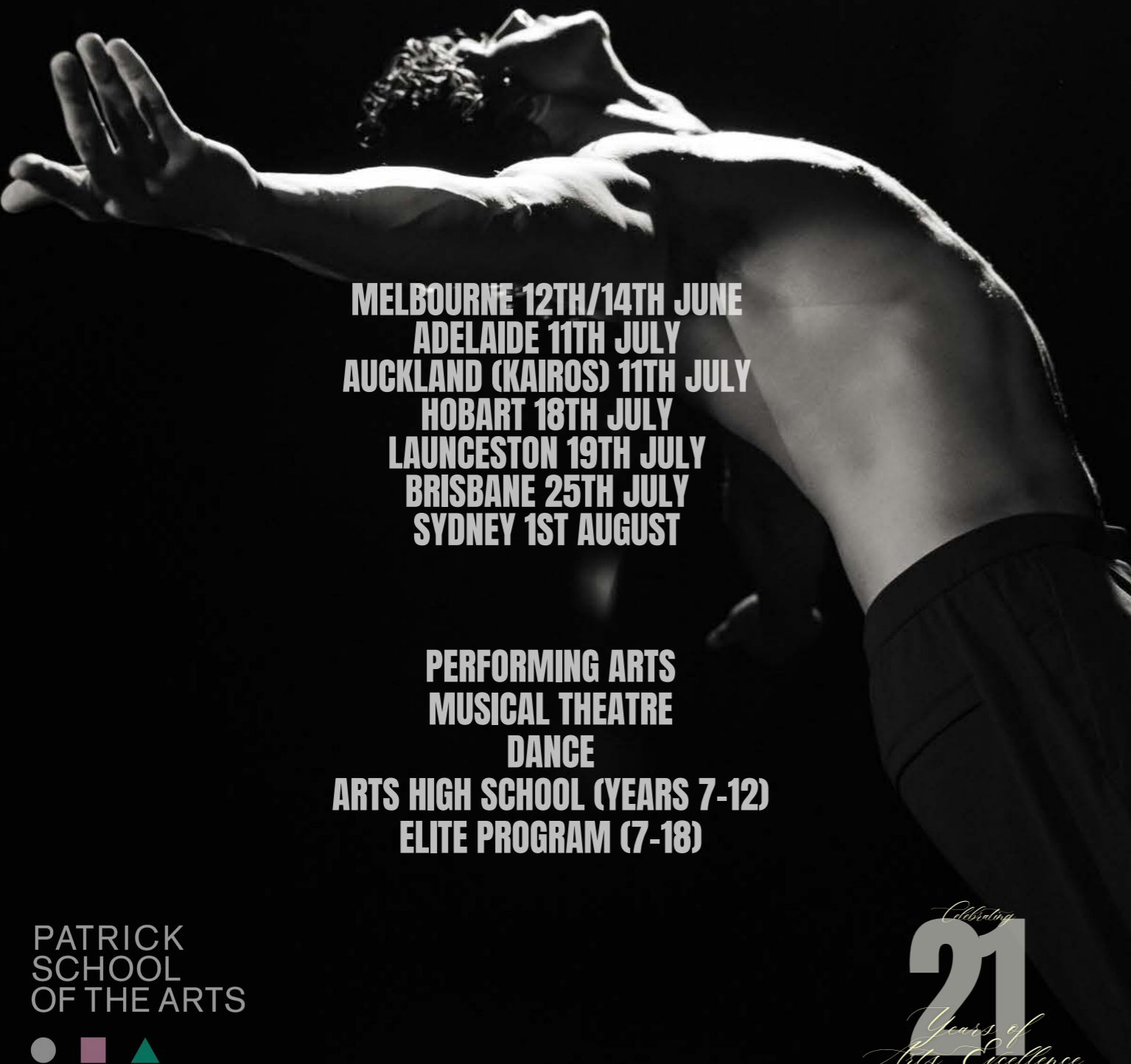


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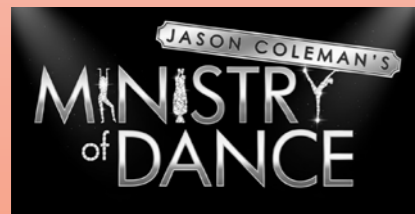
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11:45am Maxwell Trengove Disney Masterclass Senior/Pro	11:45am Shane Wuerthner Ballet Conditioning All Ages	11:45am Scimm Dance Scott Pokorny & Tim Barnes Contemporary Senior	11:45am Tiana Canterbury Afro Fusion Senior/Pro	11:00am Dance with Tom Contemporary Mini Mover Class 2	JUNIOR LUNCH Grab your VDF merch, lunch and shop til you drop in the VDF market	12:00pm Ready Set Acro Acro Mini Mover Class 3
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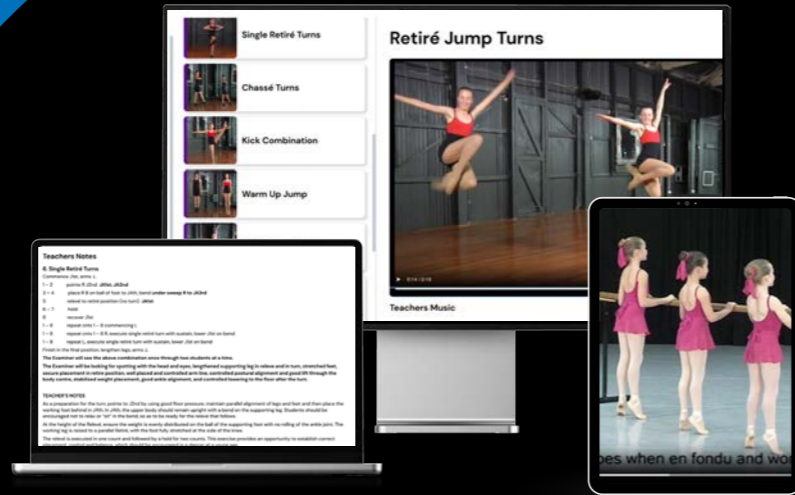
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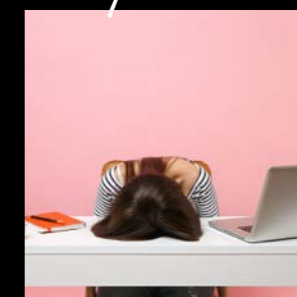
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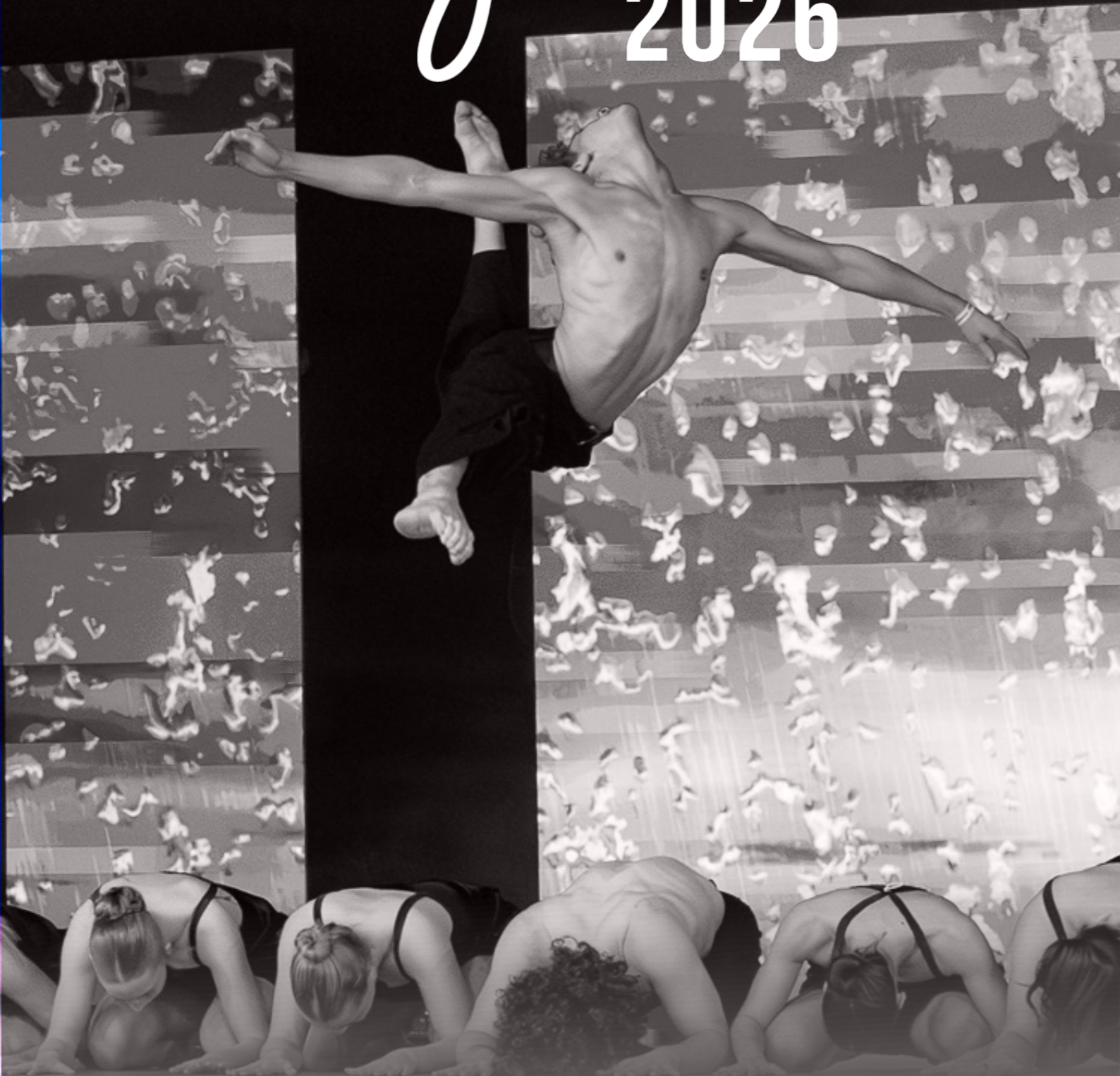
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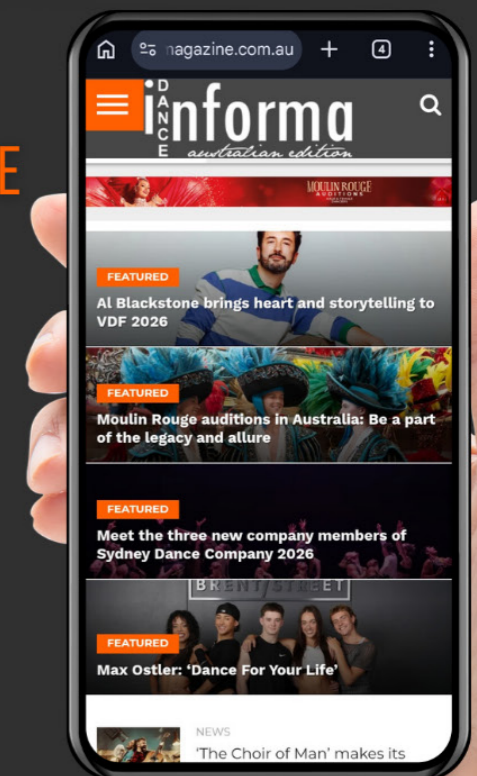


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