

A new distinction for Valeria Galluccio, dancer for the COMPAGNIE MARIE CHOUINARD!

Montreal, September 30, 2019 - LA COMPAGNIE MARIE CHOUINARD is proud and happy to announce that **Valeria Galluccio**, who has danced with the **Compagnie Marie Chouinard** since 2011, has received the new **Premio Nazionale Sfera Award of Oro per la Danza**, as 'Italian Dance Personality on the International Stage in Ballet and Contemporary Dance'.

Established in 2019, the **Sfera d'Oro per la Danza** Award recognizes the talent of Italian dancers in Italy and around the world. This year's jury was composed of renowned critics and dance experts: Alfio Agostini, Anna Cremonini, Valeria Crippa, Marinella Guatterini, Roger Salas, Sergio Trombetta and Laura Valente.

The prize was awarded at a gala organized for the occasion, on **Saturday 28 September 2019 in Padova, Italy**, as part of the **Sfera Danza** festival of 2019. During the ceremony, Valeria performed a solo from the work **Le cri du monde**, created by **Marie Chouinard** in 2000.



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Valeria Galluccio did her ballet training with Annalisa Cernese in Italy. For three years, as part of the Venice Biennale, she was the main performer of the works of Ismaël Ivo. In 2011, the fabulous dancer joined the **COMPAGNIE MARIE CHOUINARD** and quickly became one of the choreographer's muses. Since then, she has danced with the COMPAGNIE on stages around the world. In 2015, Valeria was **named Italian performer abroad by Danza & Danza magazine** and in 2017, awarded **the Positano Prize for 'Dancer of the Year on the International Stage'**.

Soon, dance spectators will have the privilege of seeing Valeria Galluccio on stage in **COMPAGNIE** performances in **Vitoria, Spain** (October 5th), **Seoul, South Korea** (October 10th, 16th and 17th), **Cali, Colombia** (November 1st), in **Bogota, Colombia** (November 5-6), **Bucaramanga, Colombia** (November 9), and **Lima, Peru** (November 12). She will also teach the COMPAGNIE's annual international repertoire course, which will be held from December 16 to 20, 2019 at the Espace Marie Chouinard. Montreal audiences will be able to see her perform from **Tuesday, January 28 to Saturday, February 1** at **Théâtre Maisonneuve, Place des arts** as part of **Danse Danse**.

À propos de la COMPAGNIE MARIE CHOUINARD

Since its founding in 1990, the COMPAGNIE MARIE CHOUINARD has been hailed on stages all over the world. The performers brilliantly deliver a repertoire of bold works created by Marie Chouinard. The COMPAGNIE opus also features a multitude of protean projects and creations in which choreographic art is explored through a wide range of media: installation, performance, film, photography, drawing, writing, applications.

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