

EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT

FRIENDS OF FORSYTHE

PERFORMANCE BY WILLIAM FORSYTHE AT KUNSTENFESTIVALDESARTS

11 May 2025, 18:30 - 20:00 | Place de la Bourse/Beursplein, Brussels Free, without reservation

More info: Dance performance: Friends of Forsythe

Brussels, 30 April 2025 - For the 30th anniversary of Kunstenfestivaldesarts, the Goethe-Institut brings choreography legend William Forsythe to Brussels. The American artist is celebrated for breaking the boundaries of classical ballet. He shaped the German theatre landscape for over two decades and, in doing so, fundamentally transformed the performance scene.

William Forsythe has crafted a distinctive language in dance, blending geometric abstraction with expressive movement. As one of the most influential of contemporary choreographers, Forsythe has recently embarked on collaborative explorations with his dancers. At the **Kunstenfestivaldesarts**, he presents the fruits of this intensive research in a new creation.

Friends of Forsythe was created in collaboration with **Rauf Yasit**, nicknamed "RubberLegz" for his astonishing ability to contort his body into unimaginable shapes and positions. Alongside six dancers, they combine folk dance, hip-hop, and ballet, crafting a powerful yet delicate performance where movement becomes a language able to connect dancers from different walks of life.

Invited by the festival, the choreography is presented for the first time in a public space, free and accessible to all. It becomes not only a celebration of the festival's 30th anniversary but also an ode to the potential of dance as a collective narrative that unites distinct traditions into a moment of togetherness.

More information: <u>Dance performance</u>: <u>Friends of Forsythe</u>

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