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ENTERTAINMENT

Portland Dancers Share Program

Tere Mathern and Minh Tran, two of the Pacific Northwest's finest choreographers, combine forces for a new White Bird Uncaged series. Performances are scheduled, Wednesday, through Sunday, Jan. 20-24 at Miller Hall at the World Forestry Center.

Known for precision kinetics and lush choreographic patterns, Mathern creates work that is distinctive for its elegant marriage of razor-sharp, spare abstraction with fluid, spatial form. Minh Tran has created a body of work celebrated for its singular fusion of traditional Asian and contemporary western techniques.

In the shared program, Tere Mathern Dance and Minh Tran & Company will perform two new works commissioned by White Bird and performed in the round, with a live score by Tim DuRoche and a set by visual artist David Eckard.

Minh Tran will team up with composer Heather Perkins and and visual film designer David Bryant to create a new work "KISS" on the subject of sexual identity, based on the personal and emotional history of Tran's coming-out experience.

A new duet performed and choreographed by Tere Mathern and Minh Tran, two of the Pacific Northwest's finest choreographers.

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MTV is joining the major broadcast networks and several cable channels for an all-star "Hope for Haiti" telethon for Haitian earthquake relief on Friday, Jan. 22. at 8 p.m.

Networks showing the telethon are ABC, CBS, NBC, Fox, CNN, BET, the CW, HBO, MTV, VH1 and CMT. It will also be available internationally.



performances and celebrity appearances.

The show will benefit Jean's Yele (YAY'-lay) Haiti Foundation, as well as UNICEF, Oxfam America, Partners in Health, and the Red Cross.

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Haitian-born entertainer Wyclef Jean will helm the show from New York, and George Clooney will host the Los Angeles part. CNN's Anderson Cooper will be in Haiti. MTV says there will be musical

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