

# GRACE

### A Theatrical Ice Show Experience



On Tour March 4-19, 2023

"The word **GRACE** continues to resonate with me during this complicated time: the pandemic, political division, confusion about gender, identity, racism, and life itself. Where does one stand witness to the grace and beauty of the essence of our humanity within our shared experiences—of love and compassion, of space and time, of community and support, of devotion and loss. I hope this show transports the audience to a place to ponder grace and the ebb and flow of life. And, perhaps provide a moment of breath in an often challenging world."

-IDI Artistic Director Douglas Webster

Cast Biographies and Upcoming Events visit: www.lceDanceInternational.org or scan the QR code:

Executive and Artistic Director IDI: **Douglas Webster**Costume Design: **Alicia Jackson** 

#### **PRISM** (2022)

(Commissioned by Cynthia Mead Whitcomb in Loving Memory of Wayne Whitcomb for his Love of Speed and Light)

Choreography Douglas Webster; Assisted by Erin Reed in Sun Valley, ID
Collin Brubaker, Alissa Czisny, Carly Donowick, Jean-Simon Légaré, Adam Kaplan, Joe Johnson,
Karina Manta, Kseniya Ponomaryova, Lara Shelton, Neill Shelton
Music: Illumination, Jennifer Thomas

#### **OFFERINGS** (2022)

Choreography: Douglas Webster

-For A Dancer: The IDI company featuring Adam Kaplan, Lara and Neill Shelton, Music: Jackson Browne
-Simple Gifts: Alissa Czisny, Music: Alison Krauss and Yo-Yo Ma

#### **EXPERIENCE** (2020)

Commissioned by Joseph Kasputys in Memory of Marilyn Kasputys

Created thanks to Spruce Peak Performing Arts Center at Stowe Arena, March 11-15 2020

Choreography: Cindy Stuart

Featuring Alissa Czisny with Carly Donowick, Joe Johnson, Adam Kaplan, Jean-Simon Légaré, Karina Manta, Lara Shelton, Neill Shelton Music: Circles (based on Ludovico Einaudi's Experience) Ludovico Einaudi and Greta Svabo Bech, arranged by Tydi

#### **TILL THE END** (2020)

Choreography: Rohene Ward

Music: I'm Kissing You, Des'ree

Kseniya Ponomaryova and Collin Brubaker

#### **REVIVAL** (2021)

Choreography: Douglas Webster

Collin Brubaker, Alissa Czisny, Carly Donowick, Jean-Simon Légaré, Adam Kaplan, Joe Johnson,

Karina Manta, Kseniya Ponomaryova, Lara Shelton, Neill Shelton

Music: Awake My Soul: Mumford & Sons

The Unclouded Day (From "Sons of Anarchy"): Audra Mae & The Forest Rangers Hallelujah: Jason Castro, Hold On to What You Believe: Mumford & Sons

-Intermission-

#### Special Performance by AMERICAN ICE THEATRE-PHOENIX

**CONVERGENCE**: Choreography: Jacqueline Benson Featuring Jacqueline Benson, Naomi Lang, Shannon Rakovsky, and Paige Vasquez

#### **CONTINUUM** (2017, 2020, 2022)

Choreography: Douglas Webster Music Arranged by Tydi -Eclipse, music In The Upper Room, Philip Glass Alissa Czisny, Carly Donowick, Jean-Simon Légaré, Adam Kaplan,

Karina Manta, Joe Johnson, Lara Shelton, Neill Shelton

-Time, music Time, Hans Zimmer

Featuring Collin Brubaker and Kseniya Ponomaryova with Alissa Czisny, Carly Donowick, Jean-Simon Légaré, Adam Kaplan, Joe Johnson, Karina Manta, Lara Shelton, Neill Shelton -Luminous, music Luminous, Max Richter Carly Donowick, Jean-Simon Légaré, Joe Johnson, Karina Manta, Lara Shelton, Neill Shelton

#### **REFLECTIONS** (2017)

Choreography: Benoît Richaud Cast: Alissa Czisny and Kseniya Ponomaryova Music: Spiegel Im Spiegel, Arvo Pärt

#### YOU'RE GONNA BE OKAY (2022)

Choreography: Douglas Webster Carly Donowick, Jean-Simon Légaré, Lara Shelton, Neill Shelton, Kseniya Ponomaryova, Collin Brubaker and Company Music: You're Gonna Be Okay, Jenn Johnson

#### **IN THE LIGHT (2016)**

Choreography: Douglas Webster Collin Brubaker, Alissa Czisny, Carly Donowick, Jean-Simon Légaré, Adam Kaplan, Karina Manta, Joe Johnson, Kseniya Ponomaryova, Lara Shelton, Neill Shelton Music: Moby: One Of These Mornings (18 and 18 B-Sides), Dream About Me (The Very Best of Moby), Why Does My Heart Feel So Bad (Play & Play: B-Sides), The Perfect Life (feat. Wayne Coyne on Innocents)

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## The Ice Dance International company For extended bios visit.

Collin Brubaker (Chicago): United States International team and 2022 US Open Champion

Alissa Czisny (Toronto): 2 time United States Champion and Grand Prix Final Champion

Carly Donowick (Buffalo): United States International team

Joseph Johnson (Fort Collins, CO): United States International team and Grand Prix competitor

Adam Kaplan (Barrington, RI): Ice Dance International company member since 2017

Jean-Simon Légaré (Miami): Star of ice shows across the world

Karina Manta (Seattle): United States International team and Grand Prix competitor

Kseniya Ponomaryova (Chicago): 2022 US Open Champion

Lara Shelton (Weymouth, MA): Will be featured in the 2022 Radio City Christmas Spectacular

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Bethann Weick (Dorchester, NH): Coach and Choreographer in the New England Area: IDI Understudy

#### **About Ice Dance International**

Ice Dance International (IDI) is a nonprofit founded in Kittery, ME by Douglas Webster, an ice dancer, choreographer and lead advocate for the art form who was raised in North Conway, NH; Edward Villella, a ballet star, Kennedy Center Honoree and National Medal of Arts winner; Linda Villella, Olympian and Canadian figure skating champion; Dick Button, the voice of figure skating and a two-time Olympic Champion; and Debbie Gordon. IDI has worked since 2014 to showcase and promote ice dancing as an internationally recognized performing art form. The past eight years included creative residencies in Sun Valley, ID; Portsmouth, NH; Portland, ME; and Stowe, VT. The company has performed 145 times in the U.S., offered free skating clinics and community engagement programming for nearly 62,000 people. Further outreach activities include panel discussions, performances at venues such as Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival, WGBH's Open Studio, Aspen Gay Ski Week, Rockefeller Center, and Fenway Park and the creation of two television specials that aired prime time on PBS presented by American Public Television. In 2022, IDI was an L.L.Bean Winter Across Maine partner. Collectively, it is estimated that IDI has reached over 152,000 people to date. In 2021 and 2022, IDI was featured on NH Chronicle and in 2022 was featured in Business NH Magazine for being a company that managed to Glide Through the Pandemic. IDI's Solstice is currently featured at: www.allarts.org/programs/allarts-performance-selects/solstice-a-winter-tale-uzdtyy/

#### About Douglas Webster, IDI's Executive and Artistic Director

Douglas Webster is the Executive and Artistic Director of Ice Dance International (IDI), a professional performing arts figure skating company based in Kittery, Maine. In addition to directing all of IDI's programs since its inception, in 2021 and 2022 during the height of the pandemic, Webster created a New England tour of outdoor pop-up performances and live stream experiences. IDI partnered with L.L.Bean, bringing free performances and skating classes to towns across Maine. In addition, Webster created and directed IDI's magical fantasy tale, Solstice, on Millinocket Lake at the base of Mount Katahdin. The piece is currently streaming on WNET's All Arts public television channel. Prior to founding IDI, Webster was one of the founders of Labrie Family Skate at Puddle Dock Pond at Strawbery Banke in Portsmouth, NH; served as the Artistic Director for Ice Theatre of New York; Creative Director for Disson Skating's 3-year series, Shall We Dance on Ice; and spent years as a choreographer for Disney on Ice, Holiday on Ice, and Stars on Ice. He is a leading figure skating educator heading IDI's skate school, SKATE 360. The classes have been featured by United States Figure Skating at many training camps. Webster grew up in North Conway, NH and is delighted to bring this show, **Grace**, to communities across New England.















Special thanks to our IDI Board of Directors: Scott Allen, Josh Babb, Nancy Jean Davis, Dorothy Hamill, David Murray, Joy Prudek, JoJo Starbuck, Linda Villella, and Monique Deforge (IDI development)

We are grateful for each of you who believes in the work we do!!

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Stowe Arena

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#### **Spring Tour**

Southern Maine Planning and Development Commission, MONSON ARTS and Piscataquis County Ice Arena Alex Chiang, Braden Overett, Dorothy Hamill, JoJo Starbuck, John MacColl, Carolyn Clausius, Lisa Reid, Tara Nicole Stamm, Garrett Kling, Alinia Ponomarova, Rockne Brubaker, Ben Freemire, Paige Vasquez, Jacqueline Benson, Nancy Pluta, Lala Kazan Van Camp, Sheila Thelen, Leslie Deason, Scott Driscoll, Lauren Del Sarto, Tom Zienkiewicz, Cindy Stuart

#### **GRACE Spring Tour Dates**

DOVER-FOXCROFT, ME, MARCH 4 ST. PAUL, MN, MARCH 9 MILWAUKEE, WI, MARCH 10 GENEVA, IL, MARCH 11 TEMPE, AZ, MARCH 17 PALM SPRINGS, CA, MARCH 18 LOS ANGELES, CA, MARCH 19



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