PETERBOROUGH NEW DANCE AND NUMBER ELEVEN THEATRE PRESENT



February 26, 27 & 28 2004 Market Hall Theatre Peterborough Ontario



ICARIA

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Daphne

Elizabeth Rucker

Thomas

Alex McLean

Mother

Jane Wells

Pat

Varrick Grimes

Directed by Ker Wells

I do not know how in childhood we arrive at certain images, images of crucial significance to us. They are like filaments in a solution around which the sense of the world crystallizes for us....they are meanings that seem predestined for us, ready and waiting at the very entrance of our life...such images constitute a program, establish our soul's fixed fund of capital, which is allotted to us very early in the form of inklings and half conscious feelings. It seems to me that the rest of our life passes in the interpretation of those insights, in the attempt to master them with all the wisdom we acquire, to draw them through all the range of intellect we have in our possession. These early images

mark the boundaries of an artist's creativity. His creativity is a deduction from assumptions already made. He can't now discover anything new: he learns only to understand more and more the secret entrusted to him at the beginning and his art is a constant exegesis, a commentary on that single verse that was assigned him. But art will never unravel that secret completely. The secret remains insoluble. The knot in which the soul was bound is no trick knot, coming apart with a tug at its end. On the contrary, it grows tighter and tighter. We work at it, untying, tracing the path of the string, seeking the end, and out of this manipulating comes art.....

~ Bruno Schulz

Some of the text in ICARIA has been excerpted and adapted from the following sources: The Girl Who Trod on a Loaf by H.C. Andersen, The Left-Handed Woman by Peter Handke, Letter to his Father by Franz Kafka, The Island of Horses by Eilis Dillon, An American Childhood by Annie Dillard, Dying Hard by Elliot Layton, The Lost by David Day, Ovid's Metamorphoses, Owls Do Cry and To the Is-land by Janet Frame, The Street of Crocodiles by Bruno Schulz, and the writings of Hildegarde von Bingen as cited in Mystics and Visionaries by A. Hopkins.

ICARIA is an original performance created by Number Eleven Theatre: Varrick Grimes, Elizabeth Rucker, Alex McLean, Jane Wells, and Ker Wells.

A previous version of Icaria was created and presented in Nova Scotia in 1998, with Sondra Haglund as the character of the mother. Jane Wells created a new mother character for this current production.

Text, story, costumes, set, props, and actions were created and chosen by the company.

NUMBER ELEVEN WOULD LIKE TO THANK: Tarek Abouamin, Kate Alton, Pia Bouman and France McCabe, Chris Clifford, the Grimes Family, Sondra Haglund, the McLean family, Hannu Raisanenen, Karin Randoja, the Rucker family.

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Thanks to Brett Keyser for the recording of *The Texan River Song*.
Thanks to Margaret MacDonald for teaching us the song *Obhan*.

Singing Coach: Karin Randoja
Lighting Consultant: Laura Astwood
Curtain construction: Sondra Haglund
Poster design: Chris Tolley



VISITING ARTISTS WORKSHOPS

THE BODY MOTIVE

with Number Eleven Theatre

An introduction to the company's techniques of physical training for the performer, and the methods they employ in the creation of original, physically-based performance material. Of interest to actors, dancers, and all those interested or engaged in the use of the body in performance.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 10 am - 4 pm Market Hall Theatre, 336 George St. N. Fee: \$30. Or as low as \$10 if you can do a little volunteer work for PND. Call us at 745-1788.

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with Charles Linehan

"As a starting point, the participants will learn repertoire material. I will be looking for ways of processing prescribed material with creative input from those who attend. Ideas may involve developing a visual or dynamic interconnectedness between unrelated movement in space, developing partnering work frommaterial that is not designed to go together and creating structures whereby the results can be placed together to form experimental sequences." - Charles Linehan

MONDAY, MARCH 8. Time and cost TBA call 745-1788 to register

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Charles Linehan Co. (UK)

March 9, 8 PM

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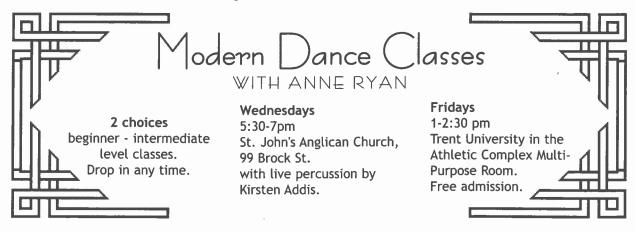
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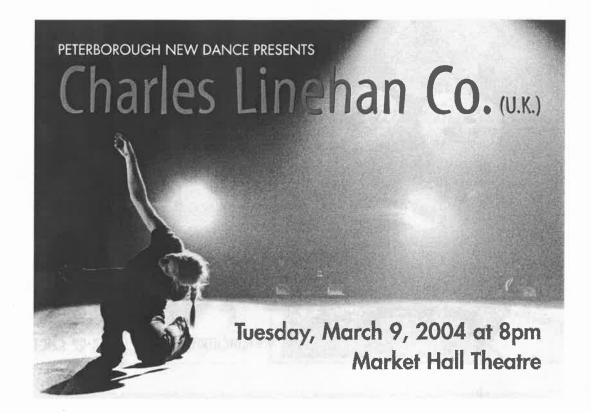
March 31, April 1, 2 & 3, times TBA
New and exciting work from
Peterborough area artists.

Atlas Moves Watching

May, 2004, 8 PM

Location TBA for this work by Bill James, whose Atlas Moves Watching company is known for site-specific dance.





"Linehan evokes a forceful emotional undertow with a rare economy of means." ~ The Guardian, 2003

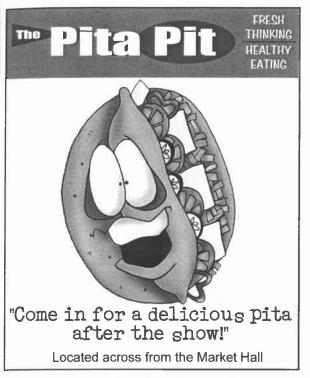
Critically acclaimed and award winning UK-based choreographer Charles Linehan presents an innovative double bill comprising two recent works, *Grand Junction* and *New Quartet*. Linehan has developed his own clear choreographic language drawing on the individual human qualities of his dancers.

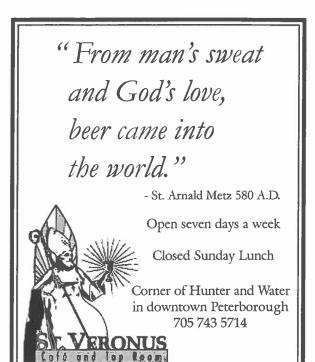
New Quartet is created for dancers Ben Ash, Greig Cooke, Andreja Rauch and Rahel Vonmoos. Initially submerged in a wall of sound, *New Quartet* opens up a distilled environment in which simplicity and detail are foregrounded by the fragmented space created by lighting designer Mikki Kunttu.

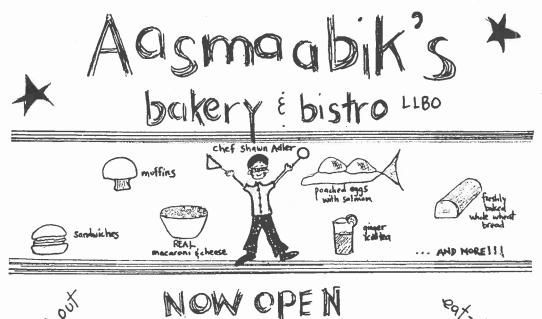
Grand Junction explores the shifting psychology and terrain of the relationship between the two performers, Greig Cooke and Andreja Rauch. Rigorously choreographed, densely atmospheric, and driven by Julian Swales' compositions of cyclical acoustic guitar samples it is saturated in pure white lighting designed again by Mikki Kunttu.

Tickets: \$15 / \$10 students, seniors, underemployed Call for reservations: (705) 745-1788 www.publicenergy.ca









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