

NICOLAS FIERY | SOFÍA FORERO

MOSAIQUE 26/27 TOUR



INTENTION NOTE

ABOUT

MOSAÏQUE

Within each of us lies a mosaic of experiences, a rich tapestry woven from the countless emotions and moments that define our existence. Some are vividly illuminated, while others remain delicately hidden in shadow.

Mosaïque offers a rare invitation to plunge into this deep introspection, exploring the complexity of the human condition.

This program, conceived by Nicolas Fiery and Sofía Forero, presents a masterful blend of artistic genres, brought to life on stage by their New York-based company and esteemed guest artists.

Original Distribution

Artistic Direction & Choreography:

Nicolas Fiery & Sofía Forero

Original Light Engineer:

Vincent Fauvel

Staging and Light Design: **Nicolas Fiery & Sofía Forero**

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Théâtre Antoine Watteau, the Town Hall of Nogent-Sur-Marne as well as Les Schoëvaërt

THE GENESIS OF THE PROJECT

Following an interview with Nicolas Fiery for *Nogent Mag* in early 2023, the French city of Nogent-sur-Marne commissioned, for the first time in Europe and in his home country, a full-length performance of his works. Partnering with Sofía Forero, the artists created a multi-disciplinary evening entitled *MOSAÏQUE*.

Since meeting in 2018, while training as dancers at the Alvin Ailey School in New York, Nicolas Fiery and Sofía Forero have worked both individually and collaboratively to create a variety of choreographic works, exploring styles ranging from jazz and hip-hop to salsa and modern dance. Both artists share a common theme: the expression of human experience through dance.

Fiery and Forero have surrounded themselves with a troupe of exceptional artists, including dancers, composers, painters, voice actors, and more, to blend rich cultures with excellence and create a new dance theater production. Following the tour in November 2024, the program is now ready to meet its American audiences.





Mosaïque takes the audience on a journey through the spectrum of human emotions, inviting reflection on what defines our humanity. Drawing on the diverse experiences of choreographers Nicolas Fiery and Sofía Forero, the show blends movement and sensation, using dance as a tool for healing and inspiration. Mosaïque encourages collaboration and a sense of community, engaging the audience in a shared and transformative experience. Through exploration, the show prompts deep reflection, offering a path of self-discovery, hope, and collective healing.

Choreographers Nicolas Fiery and Sofía Forero approach each piece of Mosaïque with a distinct creative process, allowing each message to evolve in its own unique way. Their work is guided by a focus on the "why" - the underlying purpose of each creation. This thoughtful approach is reflected in the seamless integration of characterization, costumes, lighting, and music, all carefully designed to enhance and amplify the message they wish to convey to their audience.

PERFORMANCE PROGRAM



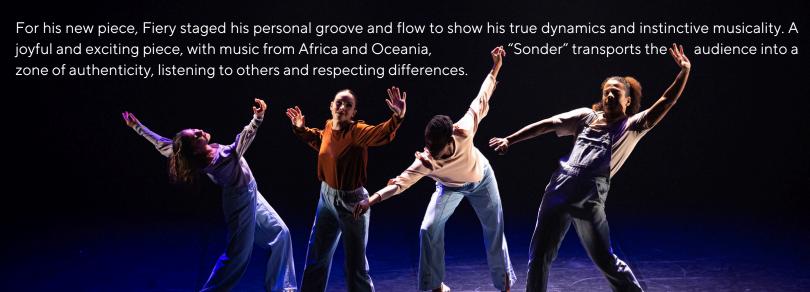
<u>Sonder</u> (2024)

7 minutes - 4 dancers

Choreography: Nicolas Fiery Music: Lokua Kanza, Emily Muli

Voice: **Nicolas Fiery**

Originally commissioned by the Théâtre Antoine Watteau





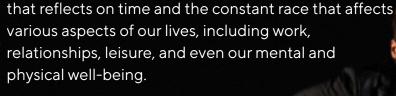


Gray (2018) 9 minutes-5 dancers

Choreography: Sofía Forero Music: The Dhol Foundation



Time has become an invaluable and limited resource in today's fast-moving, interconnected society. As technology advances, the world moves faster and faster, leaving many people overwhelmed and constantly pressed for time. "Gray", inspired by the book 'Momo' by Michael Ende, is an exhilarating piece









Babel (2024) 11 minutes - 2 dancers

Choreography: Nicolas Fiery & Sofía Forero

Poem: Pablo Neruda

Sound Engineer: Jairo Paz

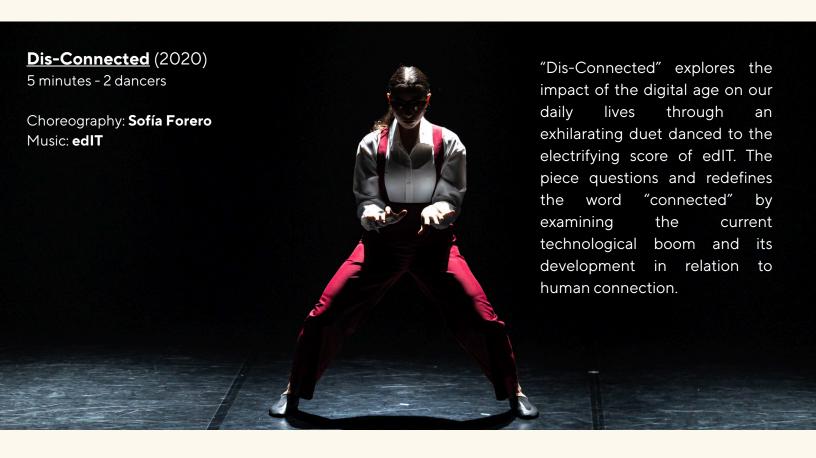
Production: Arturo Angarita

Voice: Alejandro Tellez, Valentina Roa Adaption of poem: Nicolas Fiery & Sofía Forero

Music: Gustavo Santaolalla, Ryuichi Sakamoto, Jaques Morelenbaum, Everton Nelson

Originally commissioned by the Théâtre Antoine Watteau

In this captivating work, the two artists embark on a journey to explore the depths and needs of relationships, weaving together Pablo Neruda's poem "El Sueño" in the two languages they share. Babel captures the delicate interplay of hope, love, and the mysteries of the spirit, illustrating how each unique relationship thrives on our commitment and care. Sometimes this requires the vital act of stepping back, creating space for growth and healing to unfold. Discover a profound reflection on the complexities of our emotional bonds.





Constructed as a modern piece choreographed with Locking and Popping dance techniques, "Brotherise" explores the bonds of brotherhood and everyone's relationship with duty and honor.

The world premiere of this piece, scheduled for spring 2020, had been cancelled due to the pandemic. The original cast didn't get a chance to perform it, but we'd like to salute Natsuki Matsumoto, Teige 'Conteigeous' Bisnought, and Esteban Santamaría. The score, inspired by Hiroyuki Sawano, was rearranged by Paul-Marie Kuzma and Balthazar Ruff.

En honor a CADA VIDa (2023)

11 minutes - 5 dancers

Choreography: Sofía Forero

Music: **Gustavo Santaolalla, Monsieur Periné, Nâaman** Commissioned by the New York Foundation for the Arts

"En honor a CADA VIDa" is a work that honors the memory of those who are no longer with us, and those who still celebrate life alongside us. This joyful dance piece evokes grief, unconditional and timeless love, camaraderie, and trust. Danced by the entire cast, it is a way of thanking life for all it has to offer.

This piece is a tribute to Andrés Cadavid.



FULL SHOW DURATION 1h15 minutes

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BIOGRAPHY

NICOLAS FIERY

Nicolas Fiery began his artistic training in Vincennes, France with theater and then dance with Arts en Mouvements, directed by Lady Del and Candice Alekan. He was trained in Funky Styles and Hip Hop techniques alongside Jazz and Modern styles. In France, he has won several prizes in Jazz - with the Fédération Française de Danse, notably the 1er Prix Solo Région Ile-de-France and 3eme prix National in 2015 - and in Locking in various choreographic competitions (Quality Street, H Quality, among others). In 2015, after graduating from the prestigious Lycée Racine in Paris, he founded MUMOS, an artistic production platform, and moved to New York in 2017. Nicolas graduated from the Ailey School (Certificate) with Honors in 2020. He has performed on stage with Step One Dance Company, the Japan Performing Arts Inc. and currently dances for Alessandra Corona Performing Works, Aya Takeno Dance Company, Pajarillo Pinta'o.



Nicolas has performed works renowned choreographers such as Alvin Ailey, Darrel Moultrie, Lady Del, Kayoko Watanabe, Yuko Kamada, Candice Alekan, Daniel Fetecua, Julie Galopin, and Simon Kuban among others. He also performed on national television to 20.7 million viewers at Macy's Thanksgiving Parade 2019. In the U.S., he has presented his choreographic work in several states, including Arts On Site, **Ballet** Hispanicó, The Greenpoint Gallery, and the AVA Gallery. With MUMOS, Nicolas has developed more than fifty original creations over the past 10 collaborated with years, over hundred artists around the world, and produced in-person and virtual shows such as "Not То Say" and "Thanksgiving Art Live Stream".

BIOGRAPHY **SOFÍA FORERO**

Sofía Forero was born and raised in Cali, Colombia. She studied at the Joffrey Ballet School and graduated from the Ailey School with honors. She currently dances for Pajarillo Pinta'o Dance Company, Tumbaga Dance Company and Ajkun Ballet Theater as a senior artist. She has performed works by Merce Cunningham, Paul Taylor, Alvin Ailey, Rena Butler, Earl Mosley and Darrel Moultrie, among others. She founded The Heraclitus Project in 2018 and has presented her choreographic work and productions in renowned venues including Sony Music Hall (Times Square), Dixon Place, Davenport Theater (Off-Broadway), Hudson Guild Theater, Union City PAC, Dance On The Lawn Festival, Hudson Valley Festival, Greenpoint Gallery. Her work has been commissioned by the American Swiss Ballet Company, the New York Foundation for the Arts, AVA Gallery, Spoke The Hub, Arts On Site and Works On Water.

Sofía is a GYROTONIC® trainer, certified Zena Rommett Floor-Barre® teacher, teaching artist at Ballet Hispánico, the YMCA and Accent Dance NYC. She lectured on creativity in dance and choreography to Snapchat's creative team in Silicon Valley and to DDB, a multinational advertising company. She is the author of the research book "Una Danza Para El Cambio Social", for which she developed a healing technique through movement and dance in a local Colombian community.



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