

In 2010, Yokohama Dance Collection R Turns 15!

Yokohama Solo x Duo <Compétition> + Finalists Chosen

The Brightest Stars Gather in Yokohama from Throughout Asia

The spotlight is on bold physicality, daring innovation, and expanding potential

Yokohama Dance Collection R 2010: February 4 - 11, 2010, at Yokohama Red Brick Warehouse No. 1

Yokohama Dance Collection R, launched in 1996, will be held for the 15th time in 2010. Japan's largest contemporary dance festival, its flagship event is the Yokohama Solo x Duo <Compétition> + , for which the preliminary judging has been completed and the finalists chosen.

The Yokohama Solo x Duo <Compétition> + finalists have been selected!

Competitive performances by choreographers selected from 113 entrants from 8 nations

Yokohama Dance Collection R is Japan's largest contemporary dance festival, with the prestigious Yokohama Solo x Duo <Compétition> + as its core. For this year's event, in light of the changing circumstances under which choreographers create in today's increasingly diverse world, the organizers have clarified the entry rules and conditions to help trail blaze more new forms of physical expression. It's a reborn, recharged competition.

The preliminary judging, based on videotaped entries, was conducted in September, 2009. The fifteen promising young choreographers from three nations who were selected as finalists will present their work at the final judging in February, 2010. The prizewinners will receive opportunities to study in France, to participate in festivals overseas, and to have other opportunities to perform. What glorious new talents will soar off into the wide world of dance from Yokohama? All eyes are on Yokohama, all the world's stage.

Time: Performances at 19:00 on Thursday, February 4, and Friday, February 5, 2010
Performances at 15:00 on Saturday, February 6, and Sunday, February 7, 2010
(Award ceremony on February 7; performance scheduling to be determined.)

Place: Yokohama Red Brick Warehouse No. 1, Third Floor Hall

Participating choreographers:

ARAKI Shizu (Japan)	Zyda Marie BAAYA (Philippines)
LEE Dong Won (ROK)	BAEK Howool (ROK)
GEON Hyauk Jin (ROK)	IWABUCHI Teita (Japan)
KASAI Mitsutake (Japan)	Kitamari (Japan)
MATSUZAKI Eri (Japan)	MINAMI Yumiko (Japan)
japonica-ponica: MITOH Ruri, KOGURE Kaho, SHINOGAYA Miho (Japan)	
OSANAI Yumi (Japan)	SEKI Noriko (Japan)
UTO Yukari (Japan)	
Pagi: YAMAZAKI Maiko and WATANABE Kumiko (Japan)	