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International Choreographer and Guggenheim Fellow to Present Symposium at ECU

GREENVILLE, N.C. (September 15, 2010) – Guggenheim Fellow and protégé will present the two-part symposium, “Moving Beyond Limitations: A Choreographer’s Approach to Cerebral Palsy” at the East Carolina Heart Institute Auditorium on Wednesday, November 17, 2010 at 1:00 p.m.

The event is free and open to the public but requires registration. Please contact Ms. LaToya Harris-Freeman at harrisfreemanlgg@stuents.ecu.edu before November 8, 2010 to register.

Ms. Tamar Rogoff, world renowned choreographer, and Mr. Gregg Mozgala, actor and writer who has cerebral palsy, will present their extraordinary experiences and insights gained during their work together.

The symposium will explore the possibilities of using dance as an art form to facilitate mobility of individuals with neurologic conditions such as cerebral palsy and to promote changes in self perceptions.

Mozgala trained with Rogoff over a year and made his dance debut in the principal role of the faun in “Diagnosis of a Faun.”

Rogoff explores the outer limits of how people negotiate extreme circumstances. She combines and juxtaposes unlikely company members in search of magical and tender ways to tell difficult stories. Her work is featured in a recent book Site “Dance: Choreographers and the Lure of Alternative Spaces.”

She has received multiple fellowships and grants from the New York Foundation for the Arts, Rockefeller and Harkness Foundations, among others. Rogoff’s productions have been seen in theatres in Estonia, Lithuania, and Italy.

For more information on their work, please visit: http://abcnews.go.com/GMA/HealthyLiving/odds-dancing-cerebral-palsy/story?id=9596192

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