



# Benita Bike's DANCEART COMPANY

Enter the world of elegant dance and extraordinary music!

Fall 2022

## READY TO MOVE IN SEASON 42!

Benita Bike's DanceArt built an entirely new company last season with a new crew of talented and energetic dancers. Their hard work allowed us to perform successfully throughout Season 41.

“There is a hidden gem of the dance world in our midst and that is Benita Bike's DanceArt Company. For more than forty years Ms. Bike has quietly brought modern/contemporary dance to the community ‘to encourage art through dance performance.’ I can only imagine the young viewers she has inspired with her beautifully evocative choreography and lovely company of dancers.”

– Tam Warner, *Los Angeles Dance Chronicle*, May 2022



AUDIENCE MEMBERS ON FEBRUARY 26 AT DISCOVERY CUBE  
– PHOTO BY KAREN SCHEITINA



DANCERS ANSWERING AUDIENCE QUESTIONS ON MAY 21 AT  
LA CRESCENTA LIBRARY  
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## COMINGS AND GOINGS

Lovely dancer Samantha Rogers has moved on from our company. We loved the time we spent with her and wish her the very best!

We also have two new dancers:

**Micay Jean** grew up in New Jersey where she began her journey as a competitive dancer while training in New York at both Broadway Dance Center and Steps. She transitioned to her professional career in Los Angeles and has received a BFA at Hussian College Los Angeles, In Studio. Micay is excited to continue her professional career and use



PHOTO BY LOUISE FLORES

the universal language of dance to share experiences and open the minds of others.



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**Lauren Gold** is a Bay Area native who grew up in Pleasanton, CA. She began dancing at the age of 3 and has trained with Alvin Ailey, Kansas City Ballet, Perry Mansfield, The New Ballet School, the University of

Utah, and more. At age 15 she joined modern dance company ConDanza as a trainee. Since, she has received her Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance Performance and her Bachelor of Arts in Psychological Science from the University of California, Irvine.

## NEW WEBSITE!

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- Learn more about us
- See our performance schedule
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[DanceArt.org/donate](https://www.DanceArt.org/donate)

## UPCOMING SHOWS

We continue to schedule, so stay tuned!

**September 24, 8pm – & – September 25, 4pm**  
Foothills Dancemakers at ARC Pasadena

**Dec 3, 2022, 2pm**  
Discovery Cube Los Angeles

**March 16, 2023, 7pm**  
Los Angeles Mission College AMP Theater

**Spring 2023**  
Nate Holden Performing Arts Center  
[date to be confirmed shortly]

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LYDIA MCDONALD, NOLA GIBSON  
AND SAMANTHA ROGERS  
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(right) LYDIA MCDONALD  
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