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Bodysurf Scotland presents Rise Dance Festival

Wednesday 21 - Sunday 25 May 2014

From **Wednesday 21 to Sunday 25 May**, Bodysurf Scotland presents **Rise Dance Festival**, an unforgettable programme of world-class contemporary performance in the idyllic setting of Findhorn, Moray.

Featuring an impressive and significant array of dance artists and companies (from **Jonathan Burrows** and **Matteo Fargion** to **Liz Aggiss**, **Anna Kryzstek**, **Lucy Suggate**, **Eleanor Sikorski**, **Karl Jay-Lewin**, **Curious Seed**, Italy's **Compagnia TPO** and Australia's **Insite Arts**), Rise Dance Festival is a unique opportunity for dance lovers to enjoy an outrageous, beautiful, innovative and bold programme of performances, films, talks and special events.

To create a dance festival based in the magical environment of the Universal Hall and Findhorn has been a long-term vision for Artistic Director Karl Jay-Lewin who said: *"We have been programming an incredible array of dance over the past ten years - performances led by local and international artists and teachers who have brought together established dance lovers, educators, audiences new to contemporary dance and visitors to this unique area of Scotland. I wanted to create a festival programme which brings all these elements together, exploring edges and pushing boundaries of the art form in a refreshing and relaxed environment. We are passionate about dance, art and where we live - from live performances to professional training and workshops in a range of discipline, we love sharing our passion."*

Rise Dance Festival welcomes first-timers, seasoned enthusiasts, families and individuals for a weekend of cutting edge dance set against the beautiful Findhorn peninsular with its idyllic beaches and woodlands. Tickets can be purchased online at www.bodysurfscotland.co.uk. For more information, telephone 01309 691661 or email rise@bodysurfscotland.co.uk.

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NOTES TO EDITORS

At Bodysurf Scotland, we are passionate about dance, art and where we live. With over ten years experience, we bring world-class artists and teachers to rural Scotland, providing cultural opportunities to people locally and across the globe. From live dance performances to professional training and workshops in a range of disciplines, we love sharing our passion.

Rise Dance Festival @ the Universal Hall, Findhorn

Wednesday 21 May

09:30 [Saltbush - Children's Cheering Carpet](#)

Compagnia TPO & Insite Arts

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Friday 23 May

19:00 [A&E](#)

Eleanor Sikorski & Alberto Ruiz Soler

19:40 [Latin Beach](#)

Lucy Suggate

20:45 [Cow Piece](#)

Jonathan Burrows & Matteo Fargion

Saturday 24 May

13:30 [No End](#)

Anna Krzystek

15:30 [Extremely Bad Dancing to Extremely French Music](#)

Karl Jay-Lewin & Matteo Fargion (performed by Karl Jay-Lewin & Tim Parkinson)

17:30 [One Flute Note](#)

Jonathan Burrows & Matteo Fargion

20:30 [Rise Cabaret](#)

Various artists

Sunday 25 May

11:30 [Chalk About](#)

Curious Seed

13:45 [English Channel](#)

Liz Aggiss

17:30 [Festival Party \(with Cake\)](#)

Eleanor Sikorski