Dance Concert To Showcase CSUEB Students

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ICE - a Winter Wonderland Dance Concert will showcase the final projects for the fall quarter of Cal State East Bay dance students when it is performed on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 1-2, at 8 p.m. The performances will be held in the Dance Studio, located in room 140 of the Physical Education Building on the university's Hayward campus, 25800 Carlos Bee Blvd.

Produced by Nina Haft, the event will include dancers of all skill levels-from beginning to advanced. The dance styles used will include jazz, modern, hip hop, West African, praise dance, spoken word and physical theatre performances. The music used will feature original and sound design composed by Cal State East Bay student Keith Penney, a resident of West Sacramento.

"These pieces are works-in-progress that will be developed over the year for presentation both on-campus and off-campus in local touring opportunities," said Haft. "It is a wonderful event, family-friendly and a real celebration of our students' hard work and creativity in dance," she said.

There will be several debuts of dancers both evenings, including the new CSUEB Dance Ensemble, the Mixed Ability Dance Class, and excerpts from three senior projects and one junior project in dance.

"We have great dance audiences, because you can see that our students love to dance," said Thomas Hird, chair of the Theatre and Dance Department. "Our December concert always features dancers from across campus, too. Think of this concert as a holiday gift to the community from these talented students."

Participants will include Oakland residents Katrina Deans, Hannefah Hassan-Evans, Kehinde Kujichagulia-Seitu and Tola Afolayan; Algin Sterling of San Francisco; Grace Alvarez of Union City; Julie Brown of Hayward; and Denise Hampel, who is from Germany.

"We encourage everyone to attend this fine showcase of our students' work," said Alden Reimonenq, dean of the College of Letters, Arts, and Social Sciences.

Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$5 for general admission, \$3 for Cal State East Bay students, or \$15 for a family of four by telephone at (510) 885-3261. They also can be purchased at the door the evening of each performance. More information is available by contacting Nina Haft via e-mail at nina.haft@csueastbay.edu or by telephone at (510) 885-3154.