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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: February 15, 2011

**WHAT:** Pilobolus Dance Theatre  
**WHEN:** Tuesday, May 3rd at 7:30 PM  
**WHERE:** UMass Amherst Fine Arts Center Concert Hall  
University of Massachusetts Amherst  
**TICKETS:** Call 1-800-999-UMAS or 545-2511 for tickets or go online to <http://www.umasstix.com/>  
**IMAGES:** To download images relating to this press release please go online to <http://www.fineartscenter.com/centerwide/pressRoom/>

### (PILOBOLUS DANCE THEATER RESCHEDULES ITS POSTPONED FAC PERFORMANCE)

The world-renowned **Pilobolus Dance Theater** has rescheduled its postponed performance that was originally slated for Tuesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. The new date for the troupe's performance at the UMass Fine Arts Center Concert Hall is **Tuesday, May 3rd at 7:30 PM**, and it is a happy mix of the troupe's signature pieces including *Untitled* (1975), *Walklyndon* (1971), *Gnomen* (1997), *Duet* (1992), and *Day Two* (1980).

Tickets already purchased for the originally scheduled appearance will be honored at this performance. If you cannot make this performance and would like to exchange your tickets for another event this spring, please return your tickets prior to the performance you wish to attend. All tickets must be exchanged within this season and cannot be exchanged for events during the 2011-2012 season. Limited seating remains for the May 3<sup>rd</sup> performance. For a complete listing of Fine Arts Center performances this spring visit <http://www.fineartscenter.com/>.

Since its founding in 1971, **Pilobolus Dance Theater** has been famous for its imaginative and athletic exploration of creative collaboration. They perform on stage and on television all over the world, and they are lauded for their popular appearances on *Late Night with Conan O'Brien*, *The Academy Awards Show of 2007* (hosted by Ellen DeGeneres), and the *Oprah Winfrey Show*.

They have also won prestigious dance awards around the world, including a prime-time Emmy for outstanding achievement in cultural programming. Lesley Stahl, in her 2006 *CBS Sixty Minutes* piece, called Pilobolus "the dance company for those that don't like dance and for those that do."

The company called itself Pilobolus (named after a peculiar kind of fungus) as it broke all the "rules of dance" when it was established at Dartmouth College in 1971. Pilobolus is best known for their signature entanglements of human bodies that become a kind of living sculpture. The physical vocabularies of Pilobolus works are not drawn from the codified traditions of dance movement, but are newly invented, and emerge from intense periods of improvisation and creative play.

The company's Amherst performance is sponsored by Silverscape Designs, Cooley Dickinson Hospital, *The Daily Hampshire Gazette* and WFCR 88.5 FM.

Limited seating remains for **Pilobolus Dance Theatre**. Tickets are \$40, \$30, and \$15; Five College/GCC/STCC and youth 17 and under are \$10. Tickets are available from the Fine Arts Center Box Office at 545-2511 or 1-800-999-UMAS.

For more information please call the Box Office at 545-2511 or 800-999-UMAS. Or stop by in person during regular business hours: 10-6 PM while the University is in session, 10-4 PM otherwise.

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### **PHOTOS**

Hi-res photos available for download:

<http://www.umass.edu/fac/centerwide/pressRoom/index.html>

### **PRESS PASSES**

Limited press passes are available. Please contact Shawn Farley at 413-545-4159 or

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### **ABOUT THE FAC**

The Fine Arts Center, located on the UMass Amherst campus, is a presenter of music, dance, theater and the visual arts, bringing hundreds of outstanding and provocative artists to the Pioneer Valley for over 35 years.

### **CALENDAR LISTING**

**The UMass Fine Arts Center presents @ THE FAC**

**Pilobolus Dance Theater**

**Tuesday, May 3 at 7:00 PM**

**Fine Arts Center Concert Hall**

**Limited Seating Remains**

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