

ni? ct xaʔəmətəʔ, tə ʔnimət, tə təməxʷ ʔi? tə kʷaʔkʷə ʔ *
We watch over the land and sea and in turn they watch over us.



October, 2016

A Message from the Mayor

I am pleased to hear that the inaugural Global Dance Challenge 2017 will take place in Vancouver from January 30 to February 5, 2017 – an event that will bring the global dance community closer together.

Vancouver is proud to host this international event enabling the talent our next generation to meet, share, and learn. The week of workshops, masterclasses, stage experience and cultural programs alongside the competition will showcase some of the world's most promising dancers and will recognize their accomplishments with awards and opportunities for in-depth mentoring, scholarships and professional stage experiences.

I would like to commend the vision of Chan Hon Goh, Global Dance Challenge's Artistic Director, to create this unique opportunity to build bridges between our artists and communities which will further promote the development of culture and artistry in our time of global citizenships and economic growth. As Mayor of Vancouver, I share enthusiasm for the arts and the importance of its presence in our communities, cities and nation. I would like to welcome all the participants, the international jury and masterclass teachers as well as dance luminaries and company directors to our city.

I send my sincere best wishes to everyone taking part at the Global Dance Challenge and congratulate you on all your accomplishments.

Sincerely,



Gregor Robertson
MAYOR

