

*FORTIER DANSE-CR ATION TO CLOSE ITS DOORS*

**Montreal, November 6, 2018** - After nearly **40 years of performing and touring**, the contemporary dance company **Fortier Danse-Cr ation** will close its doors for the last time on **December 31, 2018**. This carefully considered decision was made by choreographer **Paul-Andr  Fortier**, in consultation with the company's general manager, **Gilles Savary**, who has filled that position for the past 27 years.



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Bringing these successful years of creative work to a close, Fortier and Savary would like to sincerely thank all those who have contributed to the company's development for nearly four decades. **Special thanks** go to the **performers, collaborators, coproducers, presenters, the media,** and of course the **audiences** who have supported and made possible this incredible adventure.

Founded in 1981, the mandate of **Fortier Danse-Cr ation** has always been to support the creation, production and distribution of works by Paul-Andr  Fortier. Fortier, who defines himself simply as a **“man who dances,”** has been contributing to the world of contemporary dance in Canada for more than 40 years, as a choreographer, performer and educator. He has created some **60 choreographies**: solos, group works, and site specific pieces. In 2010, he was named Chevalier de l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres by the French government. In 2012, he received the Governor General's Performing Arts Award and in that same year he was named an Officer of the Order of Canada. In 2013, he was awarded a career grant from the Conseil des arts et des lettres du Qu bec. In 2018, he was named an officer of l'Ordre national du Qu bec. At the age of 70, Paul-Andr  Fortier is still performing, offering audienc-es a view of dance imbued with maturity.

**Solo 70**, the choreographer's final piece with his company, will be performed for the last time in **Quebec City** on **November 29 and 30** and in **Edmonton** on **December 14 and 15**.

Please note that while the company will be ceasing its operations, its website, [fortier-danse.com](http://fortier-danse.com), will remain online and accessible until November 2020. **Paul-Andr  Fortier** can be reached at his personal email address: [forp6@yahoo.com](mailto:forp6@yahoo.com).

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