

Biographical Notes

The DansEncorps company emerges as a product of the school after which it was named. The company was founded in 1980 by Chantal Cadieux who is also its artistic director. DansEncorps is a well-known modern dance company in Acadia and tours New Brunswick and other parts of Canada. DansEncorps has performed for the National Arts Centre in Ottawa, for the Rebecca Cohn Auditorium in Halifax as well as for Expo '86 in Vancouver. The company has also performed the contemporary ballet, *Oda*, in Finland in 1997, as part of the International Youth Dance Festival. The music for this ballet was written by Johanne Landry who won the silver medal at the Games of La Francophonie in 1989 in Rabat, Morocco, for composing the theme song of the Games.

Artistic Approach

DansEncorps creates, produces, and presents modern dance shows in Acadia.

Work Created for the Games

Chantal Cadieux has choreographed *Le Temps me dure* especially for the Games of La Francophonie. *Le Temps me dure* is exciting and fiery, and will move and fill you with happiness. From simple and calm rhythm to accelerating syncopation, steps,



jumps, pirouettes and unbalance define a warm and intimate space. This space expands, and the stage opens up to include audience participation. Performers keep a pace that becomes more complex while the audience maintains the fundamental beat. Voice integration reaffirms their Acadian identity.

What the Canadian Jury Said

"The jury is struck by the freshness of DansEncorps's material. It features interesting choreographic developments, variety in steps and the use of staging techniques usually found in theatre. The dancers are young and make a sustained performance."

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