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**Toronto-Based Kaeja d'Dance brings Its Unique Contemporary Style to
Halifax!**

Karen and Allen Kaeja have been commissioned to create a work on Halifax's newest contemporary dance company, MOCEAN. They will travel to Halifax from August 17-30, and the finished work is set to premiere on Friday October 3rd to Sunday October 5th at Sir James Dunn Theatre in Halifax.

MOCEAN's Artistic Director, Lisa Phinney, was a former **Kd'D2** dancer (a **Kaeja d'Dance** project of young professional dancers), who returned to Halifax to start her own contemporary company in 2001. The Kaejas developed **Kd'D2** to create opportunities for young dancers to make the transition from their training programs to the professional dance milieu. The Kaeja's believe strongly in encouraging individual growth as performers and choreographers.

Being commissioned by MOCEAN is an exciting prospect for Karen and Allen. They strive to encourage and develop the next generation of emerging dance artists and are thrilled to be creating on a Company founded by a dancer who they once mentored.

As Artistic Directors, Allen and Karen feel that it is *"exciting to be a part of an incredibly energized and talented member of the Canadian dance scene. Lisa is a professional dancer full of passion and direction."*

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