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Kd'D2 PERFORMS ALLEN KAEJA'S AWARD WINNING RESISTANCE IN STRATHROY

Kaeja d'Dance presents **Kd'D2** in their premiere Strathroy performance of Allen Kaeja's contemporary dance piece, **Resistance**.

Resistance is a contemporary dance piece that explores the power of the human spirit against oppression. The work lets loose an ensemble of six stunning performers in a powerful experience of daring trust and uncompromising physicality. The Washington Post described **Resistance** as "beautifully evocative, powerfully realized and ultimately uplifting."

Kd'D2, a Kaeja d'Dance project of young professional dancers, mentored by Co-Artistic Directors Allen and Karen Kaeja, will be performing Allen Kaeja's critically acclaimed **Resistance** at Strathroy Collegiate for two matinee performances for students on Friday February 6, 2004 at 10:00 am and at 1:00 pm.

Kd'D2 will also teach 6 EXPRESS DANCE workshops at Strathroy collegiate, reaching approximately 180 students. EXPRESS DANCE is an approach to teaching created by Allen and Karen Kaeja, allowing students to develop their own movement vocabulary and create personal dances. Over the past three years, **Kd'D2** has toured to 14 communities in Ontario and given hundreds of students their first experience of contemporary dance.

The exceptional dancers chosen for **Kd'D2** 2004 are: Piotr Biernat, Susanne Chui, Kate Franklin, Jennifer Helland, Christa Lohead and Tim Spronk with apprentices Bea Benian and Jonathan Lawley.

A community matinee performance of **Resistance** will take place on Saturday, February 7 at the Strathroy Collegiate Auditorium. The performance will begin at 1:30 pm and will be followed by a post-show discussion with the dancers. Tickets will be \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for students, seniors and children. Tickets will be sold at the door.

For further information regarding the Strathroy performance, please contact Patricia Mahovlich of the Strathroy Dance Club at (519) 232-9972.

About Kaeja d'Dance

Kaeja d'Dance is a contemporary dance company based in Toronto, working in performance, education and film. Our mission is to inspire people to envision, through contemporary dance, larger worlds than their immediate experience. We also strive to develop young dancers and express the creative vision of Karen and Allen Kaeja so that we may educate, challenge and entertain our audiences.

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