## Zeiterion Performing Arts Center presents "Jessica Lang Dance," Feb. 10

Veterans and active service members can attend the performance by Jessica Lang Dance on Sat, Feb 10 for FREE. To get your free tickets, either order on-line with code: **THANKYOU**, call the box office at 508-994-2900 or visit us at 638 Purchase Street.

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The Zeiterion Performing Arts Center presents one of the nation's top choreographers and dance companies, Jessica Lang Dance, on Saturday, February 10 at 8:00 p.m. They are best known for seamlessly incorporating striking design elements and transforming classical ballet language into artfully crafted, emotionally engaging contemporary works. The evening will feature Lang's masterpiece, Thousand Yard Stare, called "a remarkable evocation of soldiers in formation and at war" by the Chicago Tribune. This performance is included in The Zeiterion's Veterans Experience program, and all veterans and active service members are invited for free. Tickets otherwise range from \$27 to \$47 and can be purchased by calling 508-994-2900, online at Zeiterion.org, or at the Zeiterion Box Office. Group sales are available for groups of 10 or more and can be purchased by calling 508-997-5664 x123.

Founded in 2011, Jessica Lang Dance (JLD) is a New York City-based dance company dedicated to creating and performing the work of Jessica Lang, a choreographer hailed as a "master of visual composition" by Dance Magazine. She creates dazzling works for her own dancers as well as the world's most celebrated companies including American Ballet Theatre,

Joffrey Ballet, Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, and National Opera.

The company's Zeiterion debut will feature three of their most popular dances in their repertory: Her Road inspired by the Southwest works of painter Georgia O'Keefe and set to the music of Beethoven; The Calling an elegant solo featuring a dancer enveloped in a flowing skirt that fills the entire stage and set to haunting choral music "O Maria, Stella Maris"; and their signature piece, Thousand Yard Stare, a dance embodying the incredible pride and honor, as well as the searing loss, experienced by military veterans.

Since the company's inception, marked by Lang's receipt of a Joyce Theater Artist Residency supported by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, JLD has made rapid success performing at renowned venues and festivals throughout the country including Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival, Brooklyn Academy of Music's Next Wave Festival, New York City Center's Fall for Dance Festival, the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, the Joyce Theater, the Harris Theater for Music and Dance, Northrop Auditorium, and the Winspear Opera House, among others. The company's performances have been named among the best dance events of the year by major publications in Dallas, Chicago and Boston.

In the summer of 2015, JLD performed a rare two-week run at Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival, marking the company's third Pillow season since its company debut at Festival 2012. In November 2015, JLD made its critically acclaimed Chicago debut with Tesseracts of Time, co-commissioned by the Harris Theater for Music and Dance, the inaugural Chicago Architecture Biennial and the Society for the Performing Arts featuring a set by world-renowned architect Steven Holl.

Lang has created more than 90 works since 1999, including Birmingham Royal Ballet (2013 Manchester Theatre Award nominee), and the National Ballet of Japan, among many others.

Additional commissions include new works for the Kennedy Center with the National Symphony Orchestra, The Harris Theater and the Chicago Architecture Biennial in collaboration with architect Steven Holl, the Dallas Museum of Art and the Guggenheim Museum for its Works and Process series. For opera, Lang made her directorial debut creating Pergolesi's Stabat Mater at the 2013 Glimmerglass Opera Festival. She was a 2015 New York City Center Fellow.

Lang, a graduate of The Juilliard School, is a former member of Twyla Tharp's company, THARP!

The Zeiterion Performing Arts Center is a non-profit organization with a mission to provide New Bedford and the region with performing arts programming of excellence that inspires, educates, engages and entertains. Tickets are available for purchase at www.zeiterion.org, by calling 508-994-2900, or in person at the box office at 684 Purchase Street, New Bedford, Mass. Zeiterion Box Office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and two hours before each performance.

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