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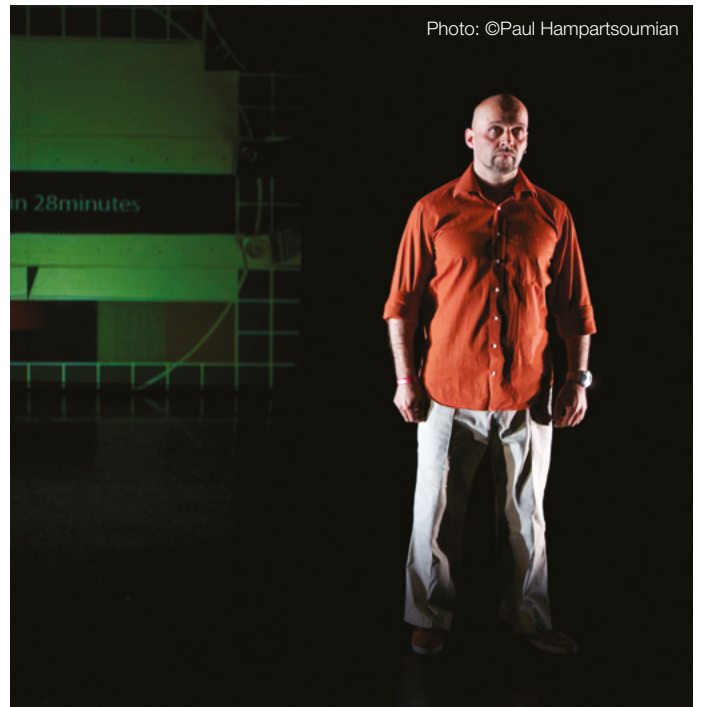


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Breaking down barriers through hip-hop in Luxembourg

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Breakin' Convention Luxembourg is the first festival of its kind in this region on 18 and 19 June at the Grand Théâtre de la Ville de Luxembourg. The festival was pioneered by playwright and dancer Jonzi D and first showcased at Sadler's Wells Theatre in London.

According to Manon Meier, from the Théâtre de la Ville de Luxembourg, Breakin' Convention is "a superb event for the entire family; it shows all the different aspects of hip-hop culture: dance, music, rap and graffiti".

One of the aims of the festival, says Meier, is to "unite the best acts from across the world and mix them with local talent". The festival includes artists from France, Brazil, Spain, the US, the UK, Belgium and Germany, as well as Luxembourgish acts. Breakin' Convention starts at 5pm on both days and there will be DJs and music aplenty, as well as dance workshops,

rap and hip-hop performances, and shows in the studio and main hall. Another highlight is the Freestyle Funk Forum, an open forum where the public can participate. "It's not something you can watch calmly from your seat!" says Meier.

Meier encourages people to come to the festival on both days as the main

show's line-up differs each evening. Full-price day tickets cost 25 euros, and eight euros for those aged 25 and under. Please consult the website for the full programme.

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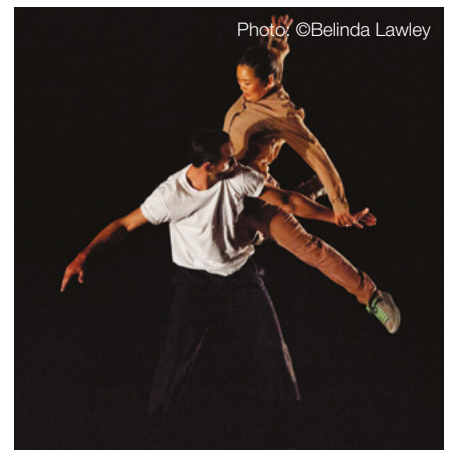


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