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## The Lincoln Theatre Presents Chicago-based Deeply Rooted Dance Theater

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The Lincoln Theatre Association will host vanguard dance company Deeply Rooted Dance Theater in its first-ever performance at the theatre on Thursday, April 4, at 8 pm.

Deeply Rooted is rooted in traditions of American and African-American dance, storytelling, and universal themes that spark a visceral experience and ignite an emotional response in diverse audiences worldwide. Deeply Rooted collaborates with nationally renowned choreographers, across the spectrum of modern, ballet, and African dance, to reflect contemporary voices.

The evening's performance is highlighted by "Vespers," created by the late iconic choreographer Ulysses Dove. The program also includes works such as "Juntos," by Kevin lega Jeff, and "53 Inhale," choregraphed by Gary Abbott.

Tickets start at \$55 and can be purchased in-person at the CBUSArts Ticket Center (39 E. State St.), online at www.LincolnTheatreColumbus.com, or by phone at (614) 469-0939.

Premiering in 1996, Deeply Rooted Dance Theater reimagines and diversifies the aesthetics of contemporary dance by uniting modern, classical, American, and African-American traditions in dance and storytelling. Through its uncompromising pursuit of excellence, Deeply Rooted demonstrates the transformative power of art and beauty through dance education, performance, and cultural enrichment in Chicago and on the world stage.

"We are proud to welcome and are deeply grateful to the Deeply Rooted Dance Theater, whose artists continue to reimagine contemporary dance with incredible works by acclaimed international and national artists. The pieces they create are driven by the spirit of community and imbued with a commitment to harnessing art as a tool for improving the world that we share," Lincoln Theatre Assistant Director Gamal Brown said.

The Lincoln Theatre Association is hosting Deeply Rooted Dance Theatre in conjunction with its annual Lights of the Lincoln Celebration. Tickets for this event, which begins at 6 pm, include an hors d'oeuvres buffet plus complimentary wine, beer, and cocktails, and prime seating in the Lincoln Loge for Deeply Rooted Dance Theatre. Tickets start at \$175 and are available by contacting Emily Kilroy at <u>ekilroy@capa.com</u> or 614-719-6610.

Lights of the Lincoln is supported by American Electric Power, Huntington Bank, Encova, and WBNS 10 TV.

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<u>CALENDAR LISTING</u> Deeply Rooted Dance Theater Thursday, April 4 Lincoln Theatre \$55-\$200

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## About the Lincoln Theatre

First opened in 1928, the Lincoln Theatre is a landmark in African American and jazz history. After undergoing a \$13.5 million renovation funded by a partnership of public and private support, the Lincoln reopened in May 2009 as a multi-use, state-of-the-art performing arts and education center serving the diversity of the central Ohio community. The Lincoln is a bustling hub of activity 365 days a year hosting performances, rehearsals, and classes in the performing arts, as well as a wide variety of community events such as film festivals, meetings, and receptions.

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