

## **New space-inspired Dana Tai Soon Burgess work premiering at Kennedy Center**

*DC's foremost modern dance company 'dances with the stars' in world premiere of "We choose to go to the moon", a unique dance created in collaboration with NASA, at the Kennedy Center Sept. 19-20*

**WASHINGTON - Sept. 6, 2015 - [PRLog](#)** -- DC's foremost modern dance group, the internationally renowned Dana Tai Soon Burgess Dance Company, will present "Fluency in Four" at the Kennedy Center on September 19th and 20th. The evening will include the world premiere of Burgess' newest work *We choose to go to the moon*, which is the result of a collaboration with NASA, and includes interviews with astronauts, scientists and space experts incorporated into the sound score. For more information, visit [DTSBDC.org](http://DTSBDC.org).

The Dana Tai Soon Burgess Dance Company has been hailed as "not only a Washington prize, but a national dance treasure" by the Pulitzer Prize winning Washington Post dance critic Sarah Kaufman. Burgess was the first Smithsonian choreographer in residence at the National Portrait Gallery from 2013-2014, where his portrait currently hangs as part of their "Eye Pop: The Celebrity Gaze" exhibition. In the 23 years since its founding, The Dana Tai Soon Burgess Dance Company has toured to more than 20 countries across five continents. Burgess is also the chair of the Theatre and Dance Department at George Washington University.

The Diplomats of Dance Society, a new association of DC young professionals and arts interested Washingtonians who "promote cultural diplomacy by supporting the international touring of The Dana Tai Soon Burgess Dance Company" are inviting dance fans to the Sunday performance to mingle during intermission and skip the 'wine line'. From the 'Diplomats':

"See the newest work of internationally acclaimed modern dance choreographer Dana Tai Soon Burgess at the Kennedy Center on Sunday, September 20th and avoid the intermission 'wine line' with the us!

"Fluency in Four" (at the Kennedy Center Terrace Theater Sept. 19-20) will feature four unique dance performances including three repertory works (*Picasso Dances*, *Mandala*, and *Confluence*) and of course the world premiere of *We choose to go to the moon*, which was created in collaboration with NASA and inspired by America's and humanity's relationship with the cosmos.

"Purchase your ticket through <http://DTSBDCfluencyinfour.eventbrite.com>, and meet us outside the Terrace Theater during intermission - we will have your chosen beverage awaiting you! (Please select your beverage preference when purchasing your ticket. You will be emailed the designated intermission meet-and-mingle spot, and your show tickets will be waiting for you outside the Terrace Theater when you arrive.) Tickets are limited! We're excited. See you there, #DancingWithTheStars!

"To become a Diplomats of Dance Society member, visit our website at [dancediplomats.net](http://dancediplomats.net). Tag us using our #DiplomatsOfDance and DTSBDC's #DancingWithTheStars hashtag on social media."

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Regular tickets can be purchased through the Kennedy Center box office and online at:  
<http://www.kennedy-center.org/calendar/event/RPXCD>

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