



**THE "JUBA!" SHOWS THAT CLOSE** Chicago Human Rhythm Project's 23rd annual "Rhythm World" fest begin with a bang. Next Monday, in an intimate cabaret setting, eight nationally and internationally renowned tap-dancers, plus unnamed guests, join the

Greg Spero Trio for . . . whatever develops. But you know it will be good with the likes of Jason Janas, Jumaane Taylor, Lisa LaTouche, and Starinah Dixon on tap. The three Brazilian visitors that night include Leonardo Sandoval, a skinny youngster who a few years ago was dancing on the street for change. He made his international debut in 2012, on the reality talent series *iQ'Viva! The Chosen*. A thoroughbred on video, Sandoval is strong yet fine-boned, capable of authority and nuance.

The three other "JUBA!" shows, performed in a theater, should also feel like a party thanks to mobs of cheering stu-

dents. Here's a taste of the lineups: On Wednesday, Chicago's M.A.D.D. Rhythms and guest artists perform excerpts from

Ted Levy's *The Life & Times of Sammy Davis, Jr.* On Thursday the Brazilians dance to a Brazilian music quartet, and CHRPs ensemble, BAM!, performs Bessie winner Michelle Dorrance's bluesy *Push Past Break*, exploring the paradox that joy can grow out of

poverty and oppression. Dorrance's quintet—a highlight of May's "Music + Movement Showcase"—draws the dancers into the unfamiliar territory of storytelling, where they thrive. And Saturday features tap-dance "bad boys." —**LAURA MOLZAHN**

#### CHICAGO HUMAN RHYTHM PROJECT: JUBA!

Mon 7/29, 8 PM, Jazz Showcase, 806 S. Plymouth, 312-542-2477, jazzshowcase.com, \$10-\$25.  
Wed-Thu, 7/31-8/1, Sat 8/3, 7:30 PM, Museum of Contemporary Art, 220 E. Chicago, 312-397-4010, mcachicago.org, \$25-\$32.

More dance reviews and schedule info at [chicagoreader.com/dance](http://chicagoreader.com/dance).

**A 1/4" Below the Surface of the Earth** REIDance Group presents new work from choreographer Michael Estanich that "challenges the movement habits and physical stamina" of the performers. 7/26-7/28: Fri-Sat 6:30 PM, Sun 2 PM, Chicago Cultural Center, 78 E. Washington, 312-744-6630, [chicagoculturalcenter.org](http://chicagoculturalcenter.org).

**Dance for \$9.99** A dozen local

dancers and choreographers present new work. Thu-Fri 7/25-7/26, 7:30 PM, Hamlin Park Fieldhouse Theater, 3035 N. Hoyle, 312-742-7785, [chicagopark-district.org](http://chicagopark-district.org), \$9.99.

**Dance in the Parks** Featuring contributions from local dance companies and choreographed work by Robyn Mineko Williams, Stephanie Martinez, and more. See [danceintheparks.org](http://danceintheparks.org) for a complete schedule and locations. Through 8/2.

**Espiritu del Fenix** A student showcase featuring dancers and choreographers from Flamenco Chicago. 7/26-7/27: Fri-Sat 8 PM,

Ruth Page Center for the Arts, 1016 N. Dearborn, 312-337-6543, [flamencochicago.com](http://flamencochicago.com), \$30.

**Guerra: A Clown Play** A military outpost is short on recruits in this comedic narrative dance performance. Presented by La Piara. Through 8/4: Fri-Sun 7 PM; also Fri 8/2, 9 PM, Links Hall, 3435 N. Sheffield, 773-281-0824, [facebook.com/lapiarateatra](http://facebook.com/lapiarateatra), \$12-\$15.

**One** An interactive dance performance presented by LEVELdance. Sat 7/27, 8 PM, Athenaeum Theatre, 2936 N. Southport Chicago, IL 60657, 773-935-6860, \$30-\$57.