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Modern Leap

San Francisco's Oberlin Dance Collective fetes its new theater with a grand roster of inaugural festivities

Dance companies are not usually recognized for their fundraising powers, but the nearly 40-year-old contemporary collective has always stepped up to a challenge. In 1976, the Oberlin Dance Collective moved from Ohio to San Francisco; now, they've raised \$20 million to revamp their urban facilities.

The rejuvenated Mission District campus features eight dance studios, a cafe, media lab, visual arts gallery and—the pièce de résistance—a new ODC Theater. There, catch the company's performance of *Architecture of Light*, the weekend of October 1. 415-863-9834; odcdance.org. ELIZABETH KHURI CHANDLER



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Elizabeth Farotte, a member of ODC, dances in *Architecture of Light*.