

LEILA AWADALLAH

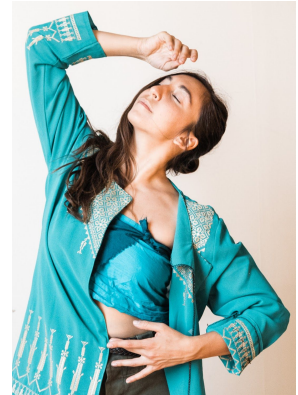
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Education

- 2012-2016 BFA in Dance; Minor Arabic Language & Literature
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis MN
- 2016 Minor in Arabic Language and Literature | American University of Beirut

Choreographic Works

- 2020 *Orange Peel of the Century* (solo)
Western Sahara and Palestine: Art & Resistance - Public Launch, Winona, MN
- 2019 *What I remember; العمود الفقري* (solo) * Awarded Best Scenography (Lebanon)
International Arts Festival - Tyre, Lebanon
- 2019 *RAS ABU AMMAR IS HERE* (duet) * Daring Dances Fellowship
Arab American National Museum - Dearborn, MI
- 2019 *YISSH: Yalla Imshi, Shway Shway Habibi* (solo) * Awarded Best Performance (Lebanon)
Cedar Tree Project - Page Theatre, Winona MN
Lebanon International Contemporary Dance Festival- Lebanese National Theatre, Tyre, Lebanon
- 2019 *No Body Home* (solo online)
1 Roof 2 Airs - South Dakota State University - Brookings, SD
1 Roof 2 Airs - Sahrawi Refugee Camp - Tindouf, Algeria
- 2019 *Unravel No Travel* (ensemble)
Good Night - Southern Theatre, Minneapolis MN
- 2019 *Kan Ya Makan* (ensemble) * *Tapestries 4.0 Guest Choreographer*
Threads Dance Company - TekBox, Minneapolis MN
- 2018 *Everything Runs*
Rhythmically Speaking - The Southern, Minneapolis MN
- 2018 *My Garden is a Security Threat* (solo) * Curated by Essma Imady
MN Artist presents ; Walker Arts Center, Minneapolis MN
- 2018 *A Head and A House* (duet) * Curated by Hend al-Mansour
Art Is... Awakening - Twin Cities PBS, St. Paul MN
- 2017 *Assa'aleek: Mohamad Khayata Exhibition* (solo + live music)
392rmeil393 Gallery - Beirut, Lebanon
- 2017 *Almost But Not AsFar* (solo) * *Multaqa Leymoun - Presenting Series*
BIPOD Festival, Beirut Lebanon
- 2017 *THE WALL* collaboration with Lamia Abukhadra * *Rethinking Public Spaces grant*
3 week public installation + performances + engagement - Prospect Park Garden, Minneapolis



2016	<i>SCREENING Pt. 1</i>	(solo)	* Selected piece for ACDA Gala RAWI Arab Literature Conference - Minneapolis MN North Central ACDA Conference - American College Dance Association - Stevens Point WI
2016	<i>This is RAEL</i>	(durational solo)	* 3x5 Residency performance installation collaboration with Lamia Abukhadra ; Soap Factory - Minneapolis, MN
2016	<i>Almost But Not Yellow</i>	(ensemble)	* Selected for ACDA Nationals North Central ACDA Conference - American College Dance Association - Stevens Point WI American College Dance Association National Festival - Kennedy Center, Washington DC
2016	<i>Undoing Tired Eyelids</i>	(solo)	* Curated by Essma Imady Museum of Modern Art - Minneapolis MN

Awards | Grants | Fellowships

2021	Habibi House Artist Residency	Detroit, MI
2020	Jerome@Camargo Artist Residency	Cassis, France
2019	Best Scenography Award at Art Festival	Tyre, Lebanon
2019	Best Performance Award at Dance Festival	Tyre, Lebanon
2019	Daring Dances Fellowship	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
2018-2019	Springboard 20/20 Fellowship	Twin Cities, MN
2018	Jerome Travel & Research Grant	Twin Cities, MN → Bethlehem, Palestine
2016	SAGE Award: Outstanding Design in film	Twin Cities, MN
2016	3x5 Soap Factory Artist Residency	Twin Cities, MN
2016	Shapiro Dance Scholarship for Choreography	Twin Cities, MN

Teaching Experience

2020	Tiro Arts Association	Tyre, Lebanon
2020	Amalgam Dance & Circus	Beirut, Lebanon
2020	Ashkal Alwan	Beirut, Lebanon
2019	Shawngram Institute for Art & Social Justice	Minneapolis, MN
2019	University of Michigan	Ann Arbor, MI
2019	Threads Dance Company	Minneapolis, MN
2018-19	St. Paul Conservatory for Performing Arts	St. Paul, MN
2016-19	Ananya Dance Theatre	USA, India, Ethiopia
2018	Diyar Dance Theatre	Bethlehem, Palestine
2018	Cowles Center for Dance	Minneapolis, MN

Performer Experience

2014-2019	Ananya Dance Theatre - Saint Paul, MN ; performer & teaching artist
	Shaatranga: Women Weaving Worlds. (2018) National & International tours: Palestine, India Shyamali: Sprouting Words. (2017) National tours: Chicago, NYC, Philadelphia, Hawaii... Horidraa: Golden Healing. (2016) The O'Shaughnessy, Minneapolis, MN Roktim: Nurture Incarnadine. (2016); National & International tours: Ethiopia; Aahvaan: Invoking the Cities. (2015) Ordway Center for Performing Arts, Saint Paul, MN Neel: Blutoptions of Radical Dreaming. (2014) Cowles Center (MN) Links Hall, (Chicago, IL)

2015-2019	Kelvin Wailey	co-creator of dance trio based in Minneapolis
2019	SLO Dance Company	Target Center, Minneapolis
2018	TimeTrack Productions : <i>Invisible</i>	Southern Theatre, Minneapolis Hamline University, St Paul
2014-2018	Karla Grotting	Rhythmically Speaking, Minneapolis
2018	Emma Marlar	Rhythmically Speaking - Minneapolis
2017	Leyya Tawil : <i>DESTROY</i>	Soap Factory - Minneapolis
2016	Magnolia Yang Sao Yia : <i>she can be seen walking alone</i>	Naked Stages - Minneapolis
2013	HIJACK : <i>redundant, ready, reading, radish, RED EYE</i>	Walker Art Center - Minneapolis

Projects | Collaborations | Organizing Experience

2019-present	Body Watani Dance Project ; <i>by LeilAwa (Leila Awadallah)</i>	Minneapolis & Beirut
2019-present	Solidarity Rising ; <i>activism - projects & events for Palestine and Western Sahara</i>	
2019-present	Theatre of Women of the Camp ; <i>Dance collaborator</i>	- Borj El Barajneh refugee camp, Lebanon
2019-present	Tiro Association ; <i>Member, Artist, Dance teacher</i>	- Lebanese National Theatre, Tyre, Lebanon
2018-2019	Diyar Dance Bethlehem Residency (DDBR) ; <i>Founder & co-creator</i>	- Bethlehem, Palestine
2016-2019	Kelvin Wailey - <i>co-creator, co-collaborator</i>	- Minneapolis, MN
2018	Cedar Tree Project - <i>collaborator and presenter</i>	- Winona, MN

Films

2020	Body Watani	
	<i>Let There Be Spaces in Your Togetherness</i>	- MIZNA Gallery Show University of St. Cloud New York Mills Cultural Center
2019	Vanishing Point	Life Drawings
	<i>Three dance poetry films: Leila Awadallah in collaboration with Su Love</i>	between us a fault line Bryant Lake Bowl Theater
2018-19	An uncapitalized WATAN	
	<i>Leila Awadallah in collaboration with Noelle Awadallah</i>	Video Variant: Queer Film Screenings MIZNA Arab Film Festival Inbox at the ArtBox
2018	reflections on ice: climate change in Peru	*SAGE Award for Outstanding Design
	Video Variant: Queer Film Screenings	Dance Flicks Film Festival

Dance Training

2020	Butoh	Gadu Schmitz
2019	RaqS Sharqi	Naima Yazbek
2018-20	Taiji	Hui Wilcox
2014-2019	Yorchha, Odissi, Chauu, Vinyasa Yoga	Ananya Chatterjea
2016-2018	Chauu	Rakesh Sai Babu
2012-2016	Modern	Toni Pierce-Sands, Erin Thompson, Carl Flink, Joanie Smith
	Ballet	Abdo Sayez-Rodriguez, Penny Freeh
	Improvisation	Paula Mann, HIJACK
	Contemporary	Nora Chipaumerie, Maurya Kerr, Scott Rink, Gerald Casel