

From 28 April to 1 May 2022, dancers and choreographers from Europe and Asia are coming to Elefsina, Greece, as part of the 10th anniversary edition of <u>Spring Forward by Aerowaves</u>, the largest European network of contemporary dance.

Organised by <u>2023 Eleusis European Capital of Culture</u> in collaboration with DAN.C.CE UNITIVA and the <u>Aerowaves</u> network, the four-day programme includes **25 performances around the city, with the participation of more than 100 choreographers and dancers from Europe and Asia**. In addition, 150 dance professionals from all over the world are expected to attend the event, while parallel actions will transform the city into an international hub of contemporary dance.

Alongside Europe-based dance groups, **partners from Asia participating in Aerowaves' artistic exchange programme will present new and significant works at this year's Spring Forward**. Among others, the event will welcome Ayano Yokoyama (Japan), Q dance company (Korea) and Movers Platform (Japan/Korea/Greece).

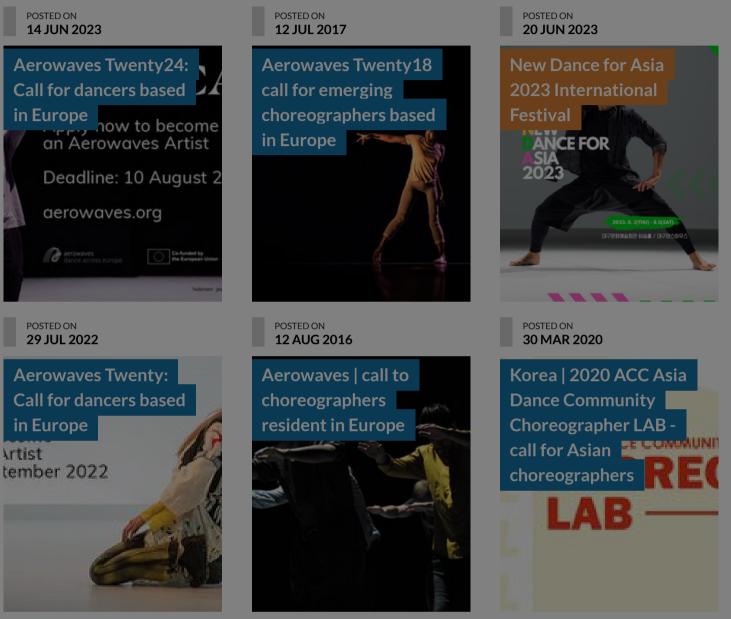
Spring Forward is a cross-border celebration of dance, hosted every year since 2011 in different European city. The goal of Spring Forward is to showcase a new generation of dancers and choreographers from all across Europe and to create a European network of contemporary dance, with the participation of choreographers, upcoming and professional dancers, journalists, artists and lovers of contemporary dance.

This year's edition of Spring Forward takes place as part of Moving Europe, a programme by 2023 Eleusis that focuses on young people and dance, with the main objectives of creating a dialogue between Greek and international artists, actively supporting young and emerging choreographers and cultivating a new audience for dance in the city, beyond the boundaries of the title of European Capital of Culture.

Read the <u>full programme here</u>.

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