

SideBySide-net 2011: Dance, Film und Web 2.0

Online audience's favourite artists are from Aachen, Cologne and Hamburg

Even in its seventh year, the international online-dancefilmfestival SideBySide still received strong feedback from audience, artists and scene experts likewise. As in the years before, many international dancers and choreographers applied, six extraordinary artists were nominated, and thousands of viewers from all over the world watched and gave their votes. The audience prizes of the 7th international online-dancefestival SideBySide-net go to Julien Kho Budorovits & Gia Bao Tu (1st prize / 1.500 Euro), Annika Huckfeldt (2nd prize / 1.000 Euro) and Massimo Gerardi (3rd prize / 500 Euro).

The festival's opening event at „Theater der Träume“ in Düsseldorf on August 27th was a lot of work and a great success, as all six nominees came personally from Germany, Israel and Taiwan to present themselves via live-performances and dance-videos. The film documentation of this evening was later screened at theatres in Aachen, Cologne, Hamburg, Jerusalem and Tel Aviv, mostly accompanied by local live-performances, while the audience worldwide could “watch & vote” online all the time.

The online-dancefilmfestival SideBySide-net can be regarded as an intercultural and interdisciplinary platform that brings together talented artists from different areas and brings real and virtual stages in contact with each other - and that aims to give dance and its artists a stronger presence. The festival's enduring success is not at last due to the continuous and constructive cooperation with partners and sponsors. SideBySide-net 2011 was supported by the state-chancellery of North Rhine-Westphalia.