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BEAVERTON ARTS PROGRAM SEEKS PERFORMERS FOR TEN TINY DANCES 2016

BEAVERTON, Ore. – The city of Beaverton’s arts program is seeking proposals from master-level choreographers and dancers to create and perform a dance as part of Beaverton Ten Tiny Dances 2016. The event will be held on Saturday, July 9 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in downtown Beaverton.

Ten Tiny Dances is a free, public event that features a wide variety of dancers who represent modern, contemporary and traditional ethnic dance forms. Now in its eighth year, it is designed to engage audiences with unique performances and settings. The event guides the audience to explore Beaverton’s artistic community and offerings through a blend of traditional ethnic performing art forms as well as contemporary forms.

To view the full call to artists guidelines or to apply for this event, please visit www.beavertonoregon.gov/TTD. Applications are due Thursday, March 31 at 5 p.m. For more information, contact Kourtnee Buechner at kbuechner@beavertonoregon.gov.

ABOUT TEN TINY DANCES

Choreographer and dancer Mike Barber came up with an interesting concept in 2002. Ten Tiny Dances presents ten dance performances on a 4’ x 4’ stage, challenging the choreographers and dancers to use the limited space to fuel their creativity. Barber has presented Ten Tiny Dances in a wide range of settings, from warehouse spaces to trendy restaurants, and even on multiple stages, encouraging the audience to experience dance that has been created for a specific location.

ABOUT BEAVERTON

Beaverton is a welcoming and responsible city that enjoys one of the most diverse populations in Oregon. In 2015, Beaverton was recognized as one of the **safest cities** in the Pacific Northwest (according to CQ Press with cities more than 75,000). Recently, the city’s award-winning finance department received the **Distinguished Budget Presentation Award** as well as the **Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting**. In 2012, the city was awarded the **Mayors’ Climate Protection Award** from the U.S. Conference of Mayors. It was named one of the **best places to raise kids** by *BusinessWeek* magazine. The city was named **one of the top 25 Suburbs for Retirement** by *Forbes.com* and **one of the 100 Best Walking Cities in America** by *Prevention* magazine. The city also received the **Recycler of the Year** award from the Association of Oregon Recyclers, named a **Tree City USA** by the Arbor Day Foundation, received a **Silver Award Bicycle Friendly**

Community designation by the League of American Bicyclists, and recognized as one of the Environmental Protection Agency's **Green Power Communities**. Lastly, the city's nationally acclaimed visioning program was named **Public Involvement Project of the Year—Best Planning Project** by the International Association of Public Participation (IAP2) Cascade Chapter and also received the prestigious **3CMA Award of Excellence**.

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Caption: Def Con 5 performs at the 2015 Ten Tiny Dances in Beaverton. The city is now accepting applications for the 2016 event, to be held on Saturday, July 9. *(Photo/City of Beaverton)*