

# FirstWorks Student Matinee with PILOBOLUS

## Performance of *Branches*



**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 11:00 AM - NOON**  
**THE VETS, ONE AVENUE OF THE ARTS, PROVIDENCE**

*"It's magic, the moment you see dancers shifting into some other shape. It takes you out of yourself. We've always created worlds on stage. The basis of all our dances is the dancers figuring out how to live in these worlds."* - Renée Jaworski, Artistic Director of Pilobolus

Commissioned by the Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival, *Branches* is a new work scored entirely with natural sound. This piece looks at the competition and struggle between animals and the resulting situations that develop. *Branches* searches for the comedy in our Darwinian world in a way that is inherently unique to this dance company.

Pilobolus is an American Modern Dance Company known for its unique method of collective creativity. Performances by the company are characterized by bodily entanglements and new modes of physical interaction. This company's work paved the way for dance companies across the globe to explore and reevaluate the limits of the human body.

**Students will see small selections from their *Branches* performance along with accompanying video. A short question and answer session will conclude this matinee, so, please ask your students to prepare thoughtful inquiries. This experience launches our *Earth First* theme of linking the arts with environmental awareness. It is appropriate for students studying Natural Sciences, Botany, Dendrology, and Biology, as well as Film/Video, Dance, Choreography, Music Theory, and Musical Composition.**

**Tickets: \$8.50 per student; one free teacher/chaperone ticket for every 30 students.**

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