

# Gemma Isaacson

## Professional Performance Experience Highlights

Mar 2025	<b>Escalade</b> Nic Lincoln	TBD
Dec 2024	<b>Hershel and the Hanukkah Goblins</b> Hannah M.M.	Saint Paul, MN
Aug 2024	<b>SHRINK/we all need one</b> Sophia Pimsler	Minneapolis, MN
June 2024	<b>you asked me to dance to this song</b> Summerdance	Minneapolis, MN
June 2024	<b>In C</b> Summerdance   Berit Ahlgren & Helen Hatch	Minneapolis, MN
Apr 2024	<b>Escalade</b> Nic Lincoln	Minneapolis, MN
Feb 2024	<b>Invisible Cities</b> Ashwini Ramaswamy	Sheboygan, WI
Feb 2024	<b>Elixir of Love (role: Dulcamara's Assistant)</b> Minnesota Opera   Daniel Ellis	Saint Paul, MN
Oct 2023	<b>Escalade</b> Nic Lincoln	Los Angeles, CA
Sept 2023	<b>sacrament</b> Kerry Parker	Minneapolis, MN
May 2023	<b>Don Giovanni (role: Demon Maid)</b> Minnesota Opera   Keturah Stickann	Saint Paul, MN
Apr 2023	<b>5th Anniversary Season</b> Hatch Dance   Helen Hatch	Minneapolis, MN
Mar 2023	<b>lady of the beasts</b> Kerry Parker	Minneapolis, MN
Jan 2023	<b>Invisible Cities</b> Great Northern Festival   Ashwini Ramaswamy	Minneapolis, MN
Jan 2023	<b>Escalade</b> Nic Lincoln	Minneapolis, MN
Nov 2022	<b>Carmen (role: Manuelita)</b> Portand Opera   Eric Sean Fogel	Portland, OR
July 2022	<b>ink rivers</b> Live @ The Shed	Saint Paul, MN
July 2022	<b>Au</b> Live @ The Shed   Berit Ahlgren & Helen Hatch	Saint Paul, MN
May 2022	<b>Carmen (role: Manuelita)</b> Minnesota Opera   Eric Sean Fogel	Saint Paul, MN
Apr 2022	<b>bolero</b> Minnesota Orchestra   Berit Ahlgren & Helen Hatch	Saint Paul, MN
Feb 2022	<b>Slow Show</b> Great Northern Festival   Dimitri Chamblas	Saint Paul, MN
Nov 2021	<b>Touch Code</b> Jagged Moves   Jennifer Glaws	Minneapolis, MN
Oct 2021	<b>Buang Suay</b> Valerie Oliveiro	Rochester, MN
Aug 2021	<b>LDV</b> Live @ The Shed   Berit Ahlgren & Helen Hatch	Saint Paul, MN
Aug 2021	<b>Oldfound</b> Live @ The Shed	Saint Paul, MN
July 2021	<b>Flight</b> CANDY BOX Dance Festival   Berit Ahlgren	Saint Paul, MN
June 2021	<b>Mulier Dierum</b> Off-Leash Area   Jennifer Ilse	Eagan, MN
Oct 2020	<b>tangible conduits</b> Inbox@Artbox 2020	Minneapolis, MN
Sep 2020	<b>bolero</b> Live @ The Shed   Berit Ahlgren & Helen Hatch	Saint Paul, MN
Aug 2020	<b>Senescence</b> Kerry Parker	Minneapolis, MN
Sep 2019	<b>Touch Code</b> Harvest Chicago Contemporary Dance Festival   Jennifer Glaws	Chicago, IL
June 2019	<b>Habitat</b> The Right Here Showcase   Non Edwards	Minneapolis, MN
Feb 2019	<b>Agbara Obirin</b> Contempo Physical Dance   Nildinha Fonsêca	Saint Paul, MN
Nov 2018	<b>SenZalma</b> Contempo Physical Dance   Marciano Silva dos Santos	New York Mills, MN
Aug 2018	<b>SenZalma</b> Contempo Physical Dance   Marciano Silva dos Santos	Wykoff, MN
May 2018	<b>MATINEE</b> Stuart Pimsler Dance & Theater	Minneapolis, MN
Feb 2018	<b>Vulcão</b> Contempo Physical Dance   Marciano Silva dos Santos	Minneapolis, MN
Aug 2017	<b>Repressed Midwest</b> Fringe Festival   Non Edwards	Minneapolis, MN
Feb 2017	<b>Balacobaco</b> Contempo Physical Dance   Marciano Silva dos Santos	Minneapolis, MN
June 2016	<b>Canary</b> Black Label Movement   Carl Flink	Minneapolis, MN
June 2016	<b>Merge</b> Carl Flink and Marciano Silva dos Santos	Minneapolis, MN

Feb 2016	<b>Cool Play</b> Contempo Physical Dance   Patrick Acogny	Saint Paul, MN
Jan 2016	<b>BRAZIL!</b> MacPhail Center for Music   Marciano Silva dos Santos	Minneapolis, MN
May 2015	<b>Vulcão</b> Contempo Physical Dance   Marciano Silva dos Santos	Saint Paul, MN
Mar 2015	<b>Tapestries 1.0</b> Threads Dance Project	Minneapolis, MN
Jan 2015	<b>Motirô</b> Contempo Physical Dance   Marciano Silva dos Santos	Minneapolis, MN
Nov 2014	<b>Secrets of Slave Songs</b> Threads Dance Project   Karen L. Charles	Minneapolis, MN
Mar 2014	<b>Motirô</b> Contempo Physical Dance   Marciano Silva dos Santos	Fargo, ND
Feb 2014	<b>SenZalma</b> Contempo Physical Dance   Marciano Silva dos Santos	Minneapolis, MN
Feb 2013	<b>Batuque</b> Contempo Physical Dance   Marciano Silva dos Santos	Minneapolis, MN
Oct 2012	<b>Motirô</b> Contempo Physical Dance   Marciano Silva dos Santos	Orange City, IA
2007–2010	<b>The Nutcracker, Giselle, Cinderella, Swan Lake, Sleeping Beauty, Carnival of the Animals</b> Minnesota Ballet	Various

## Choreographic Experience

2024	<b>you asked me to dance to this song</b> Self-choreographed solo, premiered at Summerdance 2024	Minneapolis, MN
2022	<b>ink rivers</b> Self-choreographed solo, premiered at Live @ The Shed 2022	Saint Paul, MN
2021	<b>Oldfound</b> Self-choreographed solo, premiered at Live @ The Shed 2021	Minneapolis and Saint Paul, MN
2020	<b>tangible conduits</b> Self-choreographed solo, selected for the Inbox@Artbox choreographers' showcase	Minneapolis and Saint Paul, MN

## Residencies

2023	<b>Tamarack Land Co-op</b> Model for photography residency with photographer/dancer/choreographer Blake Nellis	Hovland, MN
2021–2023	<b>Ashwini Ramaswamy Creation Residencies</b> Development of Ramaswamy's Invisible Cities	Various
2022	<b>Springboard Danse Montréal</b> Choreographic assistant to Springboard Fellow and choreographer Alanna Morris	Montréal, QC
2021	<b>Tofte Lake Center</b> National Emerging Artists Program; development of solo, ink rivers	Ely, MN

## Education and Training

2010–2014	<b>Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance</b> <i>summa cum laude</i> <b>Awards:</b> College of Liberal Arts Waller Scholarship, Moulton Scholarship for Dance, named an "Outstanding Senior" by the Department of Theatre Arts and Dance	University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
Ongoing	<b>Movement Research</b> <b>Daily technique classes:</b> Afro-Brazilian Contemporary, Ballet, Modern, Contemporary, Improvisation, Gaga, Alexander Technique	Various
Aug 2017	<b>Guthrie Theater   Intro to Acting</b>	Minneapolis, MN
Aug 2015	<b>Seattle Festival of Dance Improvisation</b>	Seattle, WA
July 2015	<b>Alexander Technique Residential Workshop</b>	La Crosse, WI
June 2015	<b>Stuart Pimsler Dance &amp; Theater Summer Intensive</b> <i>Scholarship Recipient</i>	Minneapolis, MN
July 2014	<b>Strictly Seattle</b> <i>Scholarship Recipient</i>	Seattle, WA

July 2013 **Donald Byrd Workshop**  
*Scholarship Recipient*

Seattle, WA

2007–2010 **School of the Minnesota Ballet**  
*Scholarship Recipient*

Duluth, MN

July 2006 **American Ballet Theatre Summer Intensive**

Tuscaloosa, AL