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Student Dance Company Tower Dancers Hosts Third Annual Concert

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HILLSDALE, Mich. — Tower Dancers, the resident student dance company at Hillsdale College, hosted its third annual concert in Markel Auditorium on Dec. 5. The concert featured performances by two guest artists, four faculty members, one student, and a performance by the Liturgical Dance Ensemble.

"It was a pleasure to see our students shine on the stage in a variety of dance styles," said Holly Hobbs, assistant professor of dance and director of the Tower Dancers. "The concert offered something for everyone."

The guest artists' performances were highlighted by the performance of Sherry Jerome. Jerome performed Prokofiev's "Classical Symphony," a ballet celebrating the joy that comes with the ever-changing fall season.

Other performances included works from new faculty member Sean Hoskins and Tower Dancers director, Holly Hobbs. Hoskins created a modern work for five dancers and also performed a solo work, titled "iSelf." Hobbs presented a new work, titled "Bodystories," that explored body image within the ballet world, as well as "No Words," a modern work for six dancers that celebrates the 20th-century artist Georgia O'Keeffe.

The concert concluded with a performance by the Liturgical Dance Ensemble, a group that promotes sacred dance and music as a form of worship rather than entertainment. The group performed three dances seeking to bridge spirituality and creativity by worshipping God through movement.

View photos from the event <u>here</u>.

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