

MAGICAL CANADIAN DANCE COMPANY PERFORMS FOR KIDS

"A forest that charms the little faces."—La Tribune, Sherbrooke (Canada)

Canada's [Sursaut compagnie de danse](http://www.sursaut.ca/site_english/sursaut.html) will perform the scenic and poetic dance production **At Nightfall** in the Wexner Center's Mershon Auditorium **April 24–25**. The show connects fantasy with reality in the magical space between day and night; crazy, tender, tipsy, or delicate, the nocturnal dances of a tiny people include turning, jumping, and frolicking in total abandon. The elusive beauty and antic character of the miniature people exercise an undeniable charm and transforming power on Auguste, a timid and hardworking shoemaker



At Nightfall

Photo: François Lafrance

who ventures into their Water Forest and learns to appreciate the beauty of the everyday. The poetry of the body serves as the dialogue in this 50-minute performance intended for ages 4 and up. **Listen to a podcast with Shelly Casto, Director of Education at the Wex, about the show [here](#).**

Founded in 1985 and based in Sherbrooke, Québec, the Sursaut compagnie de danse is devoted to the creation and performance of uplifting dance for young people, and has performed across Canada and internationally. The company has been led by artistic director and choreographer Francine Châteauvert since 1987. For more information visit http://www.sursaut.ca/site_english/sursaut.html.

The show is the fourth and final segment in The Wexner Center's '08–'09 **International Performing Arts Series for Families**, which offers innovative theater, dance, and music from around the globe for children and their families and friends.

Select school performances are also being offered, and teachers should contact the education office at 292-6493 or edweb@wexarts.org to reserve space in the school performances and to inquire about bus subsidies.

Event Support:

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Canada's **Sursaut compagnie de danse** will perform **At Nightfall** **Friday, April 24 at 7 pm, and Saturday, April 25 at 2 pm** in the Wexner Center's Mershon Auditorium at 1871 N. High St. The show is recommended for ages 4 and up, and a crying room will be available. Tickets are \$14 for the general public, \$10 for Wexner Center members, and \$8 for children under 12. The show lasts 50 minutes with no intermission. Call or stop by the Wexner Center Ticket Office for tickets or to become a member: (614) 292-3535. More information at www.wexarts.org/ed.