

# CONSTITUTION OF INERTIA MODERN DANCE COLLECTIVE

#### 1 Article I: Name

- 1.1 Inertia Modern Dance Collective, also referred hereinafter as the Club.
- 1.2 Ecoulment de l'esprit Dance Company, also referred hereafter as the Company.

## 2 Article II: Mandate

2.1 This Club is founded on an assertion that modern dance is a constantly evolving and important art form. The Club seeks to contribute to the progression and expansion of this medium by providing a forum for creation and education, for its members, McGill and the greater Montreal community. The Club shall actualize this through the company, which is responsible: for creating and performing original works; open workshops; community outreach initiative.

# 3 Article III: Membership

- 3.1 Club membership is open to McGill students.
- 3.2 Company membership is open to all pending a yearly audition process.
- 3.3 Associated non-membership in the Club and Company is open to all others.
- 3.4 The community outreach portion of this Club will be open to all.
- 3.5 This Club shall not pick its members on a discriminatory criterion.

#### 4 Article IV: Executive

- 4.1 The Executive Committee (EC) shall administer the Club and oversee its events.
- 4.2 The EC is composed of the following portfolios:
  - 1. President
  - 2. Artistic Director
  - 3. Vice President External Relations
  - 4. Vice President Outreach and Education
  - 5. Vice President Finance
- 4.3 Meetings: The EC shall meet bi-weekly or when it deems fit.
- 4.4 Quorum: At least three of the five EC members must be present at an EC meeting in order for quorum to be met.

#### 5 Article V: Portfolios

- 5.1 The President shall:
  - 5.1.1 Be the chief executive officer, chief representative, and chief spokesperson of the Club .
  - 5.1.2 Be the overseer and director of the company.
  - 5.1.3 Oversee all aspects of the club.
  - 5.1.4 Ensure the smooth running of the Club as a whole through facilitation of, and mediation with, the various EC portfolios with a vision that is consistent with the Club mandate.
  - 5.1.5 Chair all EC meetings.
  - 5.1.6 Co-sign all financial transactions with the Treasurer.
  - 5.1.7 Oversee the yearly auditions for the company in conjunction with the Artistic Director.

- 5.1.8 Have been a member of the company for a minimum of one year.
- 5.2 The Artistic Director shall:
  - 5.2.1 Be responsible for ensuring that the artistic mission/vision of the Club is fulfilled.
  - 5.2.2 Serve as acting president in the case that he/she is unable to fulfill duties.
  - 5.2.3 Oversee the scheduling of performances, rehearsals and company classes.
  - 5.2.4 Oversee the rehearsals in conjunction with president.
  - 5.2.5 Oversee the yearly auditions for the company in conjunction with the president.
  - 5.2.6 Have been a member of the company for a minimum of one year.
- 5.3 The VP External Relations shall:
  - 5.3.1 Acts as a representative of the Club the community outside of the university.
  - 5.3.2 Be responsible for the coordination and scheduling of performances.
  - 5.3.3 Be responsible for promoting the image of the Club and publicizing events/performances to both McGill and the outer community.
- 5.4 The VP Outreach and Education shall:
  - 5.4.1 Oversee/organize community outreach events and educational workshops in consultation with the Artistic Director.
  - 5.4.2 Oversee the fundraising and allocation of profits from charitable events in consultation with the President and the VP of Finance.
  - 5.4.3 Appoint a deputy in consultation with the EC if s/he deems it necessary.
- 5.5 The VP of Finance shall:
  - 5.5.1 Be responsible for the collection of membership fees.
  - 5.5.2 Co-sign all financial transactions with the President.
  - 5.5.3 Ensure the funding and financial stability of the club.
  - 5.5.4 Act as a liaison with charitable organizations.
- 6 Article VI: Fees
- 6.1 The Club's membership fee shall be \$2 dollars.
- 6.2 Company members shall pay \$40 dollars per year.
- 7 Article VII: Finances
- 7.1 The EC shall examine the financial records at the end of each semester.
- 7.2 A Finances Affairs Committee shall be established to oversee the finances of the club.
- 8 Article VIII: Meetings
- 8.1 There shall be a General Meeting held in March for the purpose of electing new members to the EC.
- 8.2 Regular Executive and General meetings shall be held throughout the fall and winter terms.



8.3 Special Meetings shall be called at any time deemed necessary by the EC and/or Committee Chair.

## 10 Article XI: Constitutional Amendment Procedure

- 10.1 Any member of the club may propose an amendment to the Constitution between February 1st and March 1st.
- 10.2 In order to amend the constitution a two-thirds majority vote at a General Meeting must be in favor of the proposed amendment.
- 10.3 All amendments shall be ratified by the SSMU council before they take effect.

#### 12 Article XII: Bylaws and Policies

- 12.1 The club shall create and maintain bylaws that cover the operations of the club which are not specified in the Constitution.
- 12.2 The club's bylaws shall not contravene the Constitution.

# 13 Article XIII: SSMU Constitution, By-Laws and Policies

- 13.1 In case of any inconsistencies between the Club Constitution and the SSMU Constitution and By-Laws, the SSMU Constitution and By-Laws shall take effect.
- 13.2 If there are any areas not covered in this Constitution, the SSMU Constitution, By-Laws shall take effect.