

worldstage

© Harbourfront centre

Breathtaking Dance Troupe Grupo Corpo of Brazil Return to Harbourfront Centre's World Stage

The Legendary Grupo Corpo Return with Two Works, One a Toronto Premiere

TORONTO, ON (March 3, 2009) – Harbourfront Centre's World Stage 08:09

season continues with the sensational dance troupe **Grupo Corpo**, presented by Brookfield Asset Management. For over 30 years Grupo Corpo has astounded audiences, and on their triumphant return they bring two pieces, the Toronto premiere of *Breu* and their celebrated partnership with Philip Glass *7 or 8 Pieces for a Ballet*. Each performance highlights the group's intense physicality and dramatic visual flair at the **Fleck Dance Theatre, Tuesday, March 24 through Saturday, March 28.**

For **tickets** or information for all World Stage performances the public can call **416-973-4000**, or visit **www.harbourfrontcentre.com/worldstage**.

A vibrant blend of graceful ballet and physical modern dance, *Breu* and *7 or 8 Pieces for a Ballet* affirm that Grupo Corpo continues to be one of the most imaginative and exhilarating dance troupes in the world, and a favourite of Toronto dance enthusiasts.

Breu (2007) features a haunting original score by multiple Latin Grammy-winner Lenine, and showcases some of the troupe's most aggressive and confrontational choreography to date. Infused with polyrhythms of Latin and African dance, *Breu* is a poetic reflection on the violent forces that persist around the world.

The masterpiece *7 or 8 Pieces for a Ballet* (1994), is based on eight themes written by the illustrious and incomparable American composer Philip Glass for the renowned Brazilian instrumental ensemble Uakti. The dancers' actions appear as a series of sketches, annotations or studies for choreography. Movements come in variations, from "dirty" aesthetics resembling rehearsals, to those of a pristine final result.

MEDIA NOTE Press Kits and Images available at:
<http://old.harbourfrontcentre.com/worldstagemedia>

Grupo Corpo presented by Brookfield Asset Management

Breu and *7 or 8 Pieces for a Ballet*

March 24-28, 8:00 p.m. at Fleck Dance Theatre, 207 Queens Quay West

Tickets: \$40.00

Harbourfront Centre Box Office: 416-973-4000, harbourfrontcentre.com/worldstage