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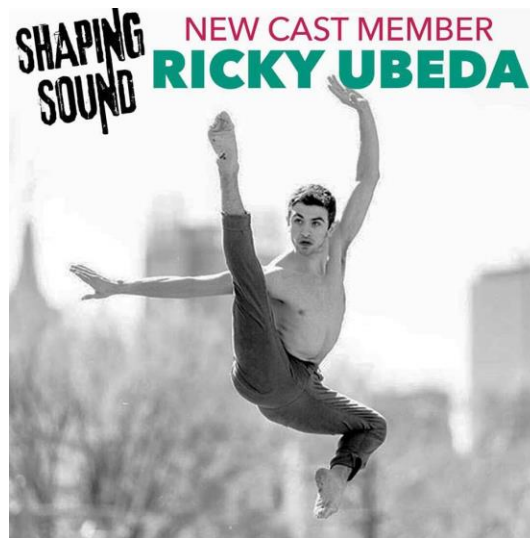
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### NEW CAST MEMBER

## RICKY UBEDA

### TO JOIN SHAPING SOUND DANCE COMPANY



**Worcester, Mass.** (September 22, 2015) **BREAK THE FLOOR PRODUCTIONS** (*Los Angeles*) recently announced that **RICKY UBEDA** will join the **SHAPING SOUND** Dance Company for their 2015 – 2016 National Tour. Ricky was the standout winner of last year's 'So You Think You Can Dance' on Fox TV, and has gone to garner a huge and adoring fan base.

Ricky Ubeda is originally from Miami, FL, where he primarily trained at Stars Dance Company. After being crowned the winner of Season 11 of "So You Think You Can Dance," he participated in their 77-city nationwide tour. Ricky made his Broadway debut in the Tony-nominated musical *On The Town* in 2015. Ricky can now be found teaching and assisting for JUMP dance convention alongside some of the most influential names in the dance industry.

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**TRAVIS WALL**, Artistic Director of **SHAPING SOUND** said, *"We are thrilled that Ricky is joining Shaping Sound. I consider him to be one of the most technically perfect dancers on the stage today and he will bring great skill and artistry to our dance company."*

This news falls on the heels of **TRAVIS WALL's** win of the 2015 Emmy-Award for 'Outstanding Choreography' for his breakout work on 'So You Think You Can Dance'. Travis is the leader of 'Team Stage' dancers, and a resident choreographer on the show, providing artistic and thought-provoking routines throughout the past several seasons.

He won the Emmy-Award this year for his routines *Wave, When I Go* and *Wind Beneath My Wings*. He had been nominated for the Emmy the five previous seasons.

**SHAPING SOUND** was established in Los Angeles in 2012 with a focus on contemporary dance and choreographic artistry by partners **TRAVIS WALL, NICK LAZZARINI, TEDDY FORANCE** and **KYLE ROBINSON**. **SHAPING SOUND** begins its third year of touring North America in mid-October. For tour information, go to [www.ShapingSoundco.com](http://www.ShapingSoundco.com).

Tickets to Shaping Sound start at \$32.\* Discounts available to members of The Hanover Theatre, groups of 10 or more, corporate partners and Woo Card holders. Tickets are available online at [TheHanoverTheatre.org](http://TheHanoverTheatre.org), by phone at 877.571.SHOW (7469), or at The Hanover Theatre box office located at 2 Southbridge Street in downtown Worcester.

### **About The Hanover Theatre**

The Hanover Theatre continues to draw over 170,000 patrons annually with world-class performances and headlining acts including Broadway hits ("Les Misérables," "Mary Poppins," "Jersey Boys"); comedians (Steve Martin, Jay Leno, Daniel Tosh); musical acts (Neil Young, Aretha Franklin, John Legend, Diana Ross); and everything in between ("A Christmas Carol," Maya Angelou, Rudy Giuliani, Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre). Consistently ranked by POLLSTAR as one of the Top 50 Theatres in the World, the theatre opened in March of 2008 following a \$32 million historic renovation. Over the last seven seasons, the theatre has established its place as a world-class performing arts venue, acting as a catalyst for the economic development of downtown Worcester. In 2015 the theatre finalized the purchase of a vacant, three-floor former office building with street-level retail space at 551 Main Street. The building will ultimately house office space for theatre administration, function areas, a restaurant on the ground floor and an educational space on the lower level. The building is set to open in 2016.

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