

MOVE 2024 - Tham Thei by Michelle Jueney (Odissi)

ABOUT THE WORK. Tham Thei is a pure dance item and one of the oldest works of Guru Deba Prasad Das, one of the 4 founders and pioneer of Odissi Dance. This is an original dance item of one of the oldest repertoires of Indian Classical Dance. Tham Thei is usually performed by a male solo or two female duets. However, the dance has been performed by a young solo female a long time ago and an existing archival video of Guru Deba Prasad Das teaching this dance to his daughter or student is floating somewhere on the internet. The dance requires strength, endurance and stamina and is rooted in the Saivite masculine energy and the grace and lyricism of a feminine energy.

Dance composition by: Guru Deba Prasad Das Film Directed & Danced by: Michelle Jueney Camera & Editor: Eric Foo Venue Supported by Masakini Theatre

ABOUT THE DANCER Michelle Jueney is a dancer and an active arts practitioner for 40 years and counting. Michelle grew up on stage, finished her Ballet under the Imperial Society of Teachers Dancing (ISTD) and Royal Academy of Dance (RAD) certification before pursuing her calling at training in Odissi dance before going independent to date going through numerous and endless challenges with successes performing locally and globally in some of the most prestigious venues one being Carnegie Hall, New York. Michelle has produced and spearheaded impactful projects, initiatives, productions, worked in stage, TV and film, charity and causes, women and environmental efforts to name a few. Michelle has worked in other genres of dance and dancers and currently works as an artistic director, dancer, choreographer, designer, curator and writer as she continues her passion and running this online festival which has been one of her greatest accomplishments and joy.

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