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**Sandglass Theater**

**In Residency June 14 - 26**

**Performance Jun 24, 2023**

***Recommended for ages 14+***

**[June 19, 2023] — (Chilmark, Massachusetts)** Since 1982, Sandglass Theater has designed puppets and productions touring internationally across nearly 30 countries, performing in theaters, festivals and cultural institutions, while winning numerous international prizes. Creative Director, Shoshana Bass carries forward her legacy following in the footsteps of her parents, the original founders of Sandglass Theater in 1982.   
  
The theater company’s newest work-in-progress piece, **Feral,** invites audiences on a woman’s journey as she experiences the tension between learned behaviors and intuitive knowledge. The piece uses visual imagery, puppetry, and music to investigate cultural gaslighting of original knowledge and to celebrate the transformational process that can lead to individual and cultural repair.

“Theater and dance go together, but the addition of puppets into that mix, and the choreography is especially exciting," says Program Director Yvonne Mendez. “We’re thrilled to see the integration of life-size puppets and dance on stage!” Artistic Director and Project Creator Shoshana Bass is also delighted about developing this work. “The ability to play with the movement aspect is what makes the collaboration with the Yard really exciting, because there is so much dance imbued in that space; we’re excited to feed off of that magic.”

**Details:**

Performance Date: June 24, 2023 at 7pm

Location: The Yard, Patricia Nanon Theater

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**Upcoming Shows:**

Sean Dorsey Dance: Emmy award winner Sean Dorsey invites audiences to connect with joy and pleasure in “The Lost Art of Dreaming” performing July 7th and 8th.

Music From The Sole: A company that celebrates tap's Afro-diasporic roots performing "I Didn’t Come to Stay” July 15th at the Martha’s Vineyard Performing Arts Center.

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