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THURSDAY 2 JULY 2026

LECTURES

Institute of International Relations / IDIS Conference Room 3-5, Hill Street, 105 58 Athens	
Time	Chair: Prof. Jardel Sander da Silva (Brazil) / Dr. Patricia Elizabeth Torres Villanueva (Mexico)
10:00	Mr. Louckik Lohogaonkarr (U.K.): How physical movement intelligence harmonises body, mind and soul in shiamak style.
10:20	Ms. Ilaria Prodomo / Ms. Vanessa Pistilli (Italy): Con-Qualia
10:40	Ms. Christel Stevens (U.S.A.): Not Your Shastra: How India Colonized Manipuri Dance
11:00	Ms. Shanti Ruiz Nambiar (U.K.): The Inner Awakening of the Dancer: Dance as a Path of Psychological, Emotional, Physical, and Spiritual Transformation
11:20	Dr. Dafni Mourelou (Greece): From Movement to Meaning: The Embodied Dimensions of Pedagogical Power in Early Childhood and Preschool Education
11:40	Dr. Yang Liu (China): From Ritual to Performance: Embodiment and Cultural Identity in Xiangxi Miao Drum Dance and Balinese Legong Dance
12:00	Short briefing by CID President Prof. Alkis Raftis
12:20	Ms. Carolina Pepper (Ecuador): Historical Body in the Dance Work 'Of Red Anger' (De Rojo Enojo)
12:40	Ms. Vera Eva Ham (Portugal): "Archaeology of Movement: Whose Voices Are Dancing Here?" Dance, Ancestral Memory, and the Politics of Embodied Histories.
13:00	Ms. Yiyun Li (U.K.): Kinesthetic Knowing: Reconfiguring Perception in Underwater Ecosomatic Dance
13:20	Ms. Gladis Sierra Currumil (Argentina/Spain): MENTALDANSE, an emotional intelligence program using music and dance, applying neuroscience
13:40	Ms. Jasmine Challis (U.K.): Dance Nutrition – what has research shown over the past 100 years, and what is best practice now?
14:00	Ms. Raee Sahu (Bulgaria): Exploring Karachi's Cabaret Dancers of the 1960s/1970s: the Case of Marzi Kanga
14:20	Ms. Judith Chestnut (Australia): Somatic Restoration Studies (absentee)
14:40	Ms. Nataša Kočar (Slovenia): An Innovative Approach to Teaching Oriental Dance: 1001 Oriental Dance Moves Didactic Cards (absentee)
15:00	Ms Veronica Higgins (U.S.A.): Arabian Excerpt from the Nutcracker choreographed by Mark Roxey (absentee)

DANCE CLASS

Time	Dora Stratou Theatre, Philopappou Hill Arakinthou 33 (opposite), Philopappou Hill GR-11741, Athens
19.00-20.30	Greek traditional dances masterclass by Dora Stratou Theatre dance school teachers