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PILOBOLUS DANCE THEATER RETURNS FEB. 28

PURCHASE — **Pilobolus**, the unconventional and wildly innovative American dance company, returns by popular demand to The Concert Hall of **The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College** on Saturday, Feb. 28 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$67.50, \$57.50 and \$47.50.

Pilobolus began life in a Dartmouth College dance class in 1971 and quickly became renowned the world over for its imaginative and athletic exploration of creative collaboration. The physical movement of the company's works is not drawn from the long traditions of codified dance movement but is invented, emerging from intense periods of improvisation and play. The *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* summed it up in a recent review, "Take equal parts Graham, gymnastics and Gumby, roll them together into a big, bright ball, and you've got Pilobolus."

The company's novel approach to dance has been seen by millions of TV viewers as a result of recent appearances on the Academy Awards broadcast and *Late Night with Conan O'Brien* (the youtube video of this segment has been viewed more than four million times since July, 2008). Most recently a photography exhibition titled "Pilobolus in Israel" by the renowned photographer Robert Whitman was featured at New York's Chelsea Market.

The Dance Series at The Performing Arts Center continues with **Shen Wei Dance Arts** (Mar. 28) and the **Paul Taylor Dance Company** (May 9).

For more information, and to buy tickets, contact **The Performing Arts Center** ticket office (914-251-6200) or log onto The Center's website at <http://www.artscenter.org>.

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Purchase College is located in Westchester County, minutes from the Connecticut border. The college, part of the State University of New York system, is a major institution of public higher education encompassing the liberal arts and sciences, professional training in the performing and visual arts, and continuing education. The college campus is home to The Performing Arts Center and The Neuberger Museum of Art, which strive to present models of excellence for both the college and its surrounding community.