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'On the move' for 25 years, Eisenhower Dance performs at OU Oct. 24 and 25

When OU's Professor Emerita of Dance Laurie Eisenhower first came to Michigan she didn't expect she would stay very long. She was not really looking forward to the cold winters, but fate intervened. "I met my husband and thirty years later, I can't say I'm used to the cold weather, but I have grown to love Michigan. I also think it has been a very supportive environment for my work."

That may be an understatement. Eisenhower is the founder and artistic director of Eisenhower Dance (E.D.), which is celebrating its 25th season this year. Eisenhower Dance, one of OU's dance companies-in-residence, is widely recognized as Michigan's premier professional dance company and is one of the finest contemporary dance companies in the Midwest.

Their first celebratory concerts will be the two annual ON THE MOVE performances in Varner Recital Hall, one at 8 pm. on Saturday, Oct. 24 and the second at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 25. The company will perform a dazzling program of premieres by choreographers Gabrielle Lamb, Ahmad Simmons and Laurie Eisenhower, as well as audience favorites from past seasons, including "Bolero," "Rite of Spring" and "Tom's Songs."

E.D. is planning three additional anniversary concerts throughout the year, and a black-tie gala in May. Check their [Facebook page](#) or their [website](#) for up-to-date information about all their events. Varner Recital Hall is located on the Oakland University campus. Maps of the campus are available at oakland.edu/map or by searching for "Varner Hall" on a smartphone. Ample free parking will be available.

Tickets are \$18 for general admission and \$10 for students. They may be purchased online without service fees at startickets.com or by phone at (800) 585-3737. They can also be purchased at the Varner Box Office on OU's campus. Tickets ordered online or by phone can be picked up at the box office one hour before the performance begins. Complete ticket information is available at oakland.edu/mtd/tickets.

For more information on Music, Theatre and Dance programs and performances, call (248) 370-2030 or visit oakland.edu/mtd.

For tickets to the **Saturday, Oct 24** performance:

<http://www.startickets.com/events/item/eisenhower-dance-in-on-the-move-6>

For tickets to the **Sunday, Oct 25** performance:

<http://www.startickets.com/events/item/eisenhower-dance-in-on-the-move-5>



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