The **UH Dance Ensemble** has a variety of exciting and varied choreography that can be tailored for every specific performance situation and venue. Each program will be selected from dances created by choreographers from around the globe.

The UH Dance Ensemble is a group of selected dancers from the dance program at the University of Hawaii at Manoa who present lecture-demonstrations and movement classes throughout the state. Venues include schools, hospitals, senior centers, facilities for teens at risk, libraries, and community centers. The presentations are approximately 45 minutes in length and present a variety of dance forms. The dancers are graduate and undergraduate dance students at UHM.

Programs have included choreography by the Dr. Schaffer and Mr. Stern Dance Ensemble that feature huge tangrams manipulated by the dancers to create intriguing forms on stage. Early works by modern dance pioneer Doris Humphrey also appear in the company’s repertory. A series of comic vignettes by European American dancer/choreographer/clown Lotte Goslar add poignancy and wit to the Ensemble’s offerings. Other dance forms in the repertory include tap, Korean dance, jazz, and contemporary dance.

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