

**IONA conducts online surveys of ticket buyers, dancers, volunteers, and clients.  
Here are some examples of the stellar comments we have received from our community!**

### FROM OUR AUDIENCE

"Stunning design and over the edge creativity—perfectly, dynamically expressed right in the middle of our community. In your face yet approachable art that catalyzes the wheels of the brain & opens the heart once more to whimsy & possibility, beautifully & fearlessly portrayed."

"Brilliant presentation like nothing else in Honolulu. Never know what to expect but pure eye candy. Thoughtful, sad, deliriously happy, amazing, divine music, a truly purposeful presentation."

"The color, the vibrancy, the dream like quality that takes me to a different place with each piece. Heart felt, at times heart rending; there is inspiration to see a different side of life and change within oneself. I gaze in disbelief and wonder at the movements before me, yet I come away knowing that everything is possible to the believer."

"The visual impact; the imagination bending symbols; the whimsy and the bone marrow darkness; and the performers—were all extraordinary."

"The costumes, music, dancer's faces, colors, bring all of my senses together so that I forget I am in an auditorium. I am brought into the message of the dance gently, and then sometimes hit by a tough social message, but so gracefully that I learn about myself and my world in a way that is a joyful experience. I wouldn't miss a show."

"I love live theater and have seen many shows in my lifetime here in Hawaii, on the mainland, and even internationally. I have always felt that IONA productions have been among the top 10 productions I have seen in my life. They are beautiful, mind-blowingly creative and MEMORABLE, which is hard to do in this age where we all have attention spans of about 2 seconds. :) We are so lucky to have this company here in Hawaii."

### FROM OUR DANCERS

"Dancing with IONA has been the equivalent of finding my tribe; a place where I completely and utterly belong. Cheryl Flaharty has been an inspirational mentor who has in this work opened up my consciousness and imagination to the end of the universe and back again. IONA is a major part of my destiny in this lifetime; through this work my dreams have become reality. I've had amazing synergistic opportunities, found inner peace and worked with like-minded immensely inspiring creative individuals."

"IONA is for dancers on Oahu the biggest opportunity to grow as a performer, artist, and individual. Working for IONA and Cheryl for the last 15 years has changed my life and shaped my artistic and spiritual path. The opportunities to perform and do in-depth personal work in the creative process dealing with relevant issues in women's rights, human consciousness, and the environment has helped me to evolve as an artist and human being."