

Make like a tree and twist

Choreographer **Aparna Sindhoor** digs into childhood memories as inspiration for her latest theatrical dance piece ***A Story and a Song***. Sindhoor, originally from Mysore but now based in Boston, was captivated by



MOVEMENT FROM MEMORY:
Aparna Sindhoor's *A Story and a Song*

stories her relatives told when she was growing up. In this trio, Sindhoor retells these collected tales about women. She touches on the themes of environment, love and sensuality, using a blend of Bharatanatyam, yoga and an Indian martial art called Kalarippayattu.

What gives this piece a twist is that parts of it are suspended: "We started working with aerial dancing and with how it would be to express the notion of a tree, which is so grounded, in the air," Sindhoor says.

The multilingual performance uses text, song and is part of the Teesri

Duniya Theatre series called **Bridges**, which features works from culturally diverse artists. Catch the Canadian premiere at the D.B. Clarke Theatre (1455 de Maisonneuve W.), this Saturday, Aug. 25, 8 p.m., \$15-\$50, (514) 931-0942.

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