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## [West Coast Premiere of Hoop Dazzles Audience](#)

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“Hoop” – a short film by Montreal filmmaker [Marites Carino](#) featuring [Rebecca “Beka Hoop” Halls](#) of [iHoopU.com](#), had it’s West Coast premiere this weekend at [Dance Camera West](#). The 10th Annual Dance Media Film Festival event held in Los Angeles, California, took place this year at The Getty Center, The Hammer Museum and the Fowler Museum featuring numerous dance related films. “Hoop” was screened as part of a Global Screendance series with seven other shorts outdoors at the Fowler Museum on the University of California Los Angeles campus. While you may recall that a [video documenting the making of the film](#) was nominated for a 2010 Hoopie Award for Outstanding Video in and of itself, having finally viewed the finished product, it is mesmerizingly breathtaking. The camera work and images leaves the viewer literally floating in space amidst the circular rhythms and patterns of Halls’ always dynamic hoop moves. “Hoop” literally transforms the art of hoop dance to high art and Carino’s vision for this project couldn’t have been executed more beautifully. Ultimately the only problem with it is that it isn’t long enough, not only by my own desire that it could have continued, but by

the wild applause from audience itself. "Hoop" was produced by Bravo! FACT and DANCE MOVIES Commission EMPAC.



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