

LLIANE LOOTS

As the artistic director and resident choreographer for **FLATFOOT DANCE COMPANY**, Loots has won numerous national choreographic awards and commissions and has travelled quite extensively in Europe, America and within the African continent with her dance work. Loots presently holds the positions of Lecturer in the Drama and Performance Studies Programme at the University of KwaZulu-Natal (Howard College Campus). She has a PhD looking at contemporary dance/performance histories on the African continent. Loots hold the founding position of Artistic Director for UKZN's Centre for Creative Arts's annual international JOMBA! Contemporary Dance Experience. Loots founded **FLATFOOT DANCE COMPANY** as a professional dance company in 2003 when it grew out of a dance training programme that originally began in 1994. In 2017 the French Government awarded Loots the Chevalier de l'Order des arts et des lettres (Knight of the Arts & Literature) Award.

