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PS #2: Dance Language

What's your favorite word or phrase, written or spoken, that describes (a) dance?

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[Meg Foley](#) · [Scripps College](#)
I know someone who once referred to a show as like "eating a big bowl of vanilla ice cream." Delicious but all the same and not particularly challenging. I thought that was pretty good.
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[Christina Zani](#)
"expansive" gets thrown around a lot lately, which I like. I would love it if "sizzllin' " were a po-mo compliment.
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Steve Paxton sometimes refers to the dance as "waking up the beast".
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Hop-brush-beep-beep.
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I'm not into favorites, per se, but I love how Edwin Denby talks about the "humanity of contradictions."
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"the dancers swept through the ballet".

alternately: "mopped the floor".

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