PITTSBURGH BALLET THEATRE SCHOOL

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A SERIES IN CELEBRATION OF THE PERFORMING ARTS

FLAGSTAFF HILL IN SCHENLEY PARK | MAY 18-31, 2021
Level 2
Choreography: Kaila Lewis
Music: Felix Mendelsohn

Lydia Banfield Hicks, Elizabeth Barfuss, Catheryn Behr, Zenia Cook, Aine Crowley, Abigail Goebbel, Lucijan Huckle, Adeline Kelly, Nadja Kuntz, Ava Liscotti, Alena Lumsden, Madison Milkovich, Lilly Murphy, Quinn Perry, Nayala Smail, Madeleine Stephenson, Zuhaira Tendo, Karly Trezza, Phoebe Van Gehuchten

Preparatory A
Choreography: Julia Adams
Music: Luigi Boccherini

Virginia Cooper, Carolynn Coyer, Scarlet Day, Lilitha Duvvuri, Olivia Rose Erjavac, Tallulah Heinauer, Willa Jester, Adreinne Wyman

Level 1
Choreography: Kaila Lewis
Music: Ludwig Minkus

Margaret Arnowitt, Lyle Creasy, Shira Johnson-Diodati, Shauna Roberts, Jasmine Robinson, Madison Roudolph, Alexandra Scott, Ariyah Stevens-Camp, Thailyn Walker, Margaret Wilson

Level 3
Choreography: Kaila Lewis
Music: George Frideric Handel

Emelia Beynon, Joanna Bi, Lucia Bristow, Brenyn Caplan, Emma Crooks, Summer Franco, Lillian Goughnour, Veronica Karpov, Sofia Kubini, Marlaina Lesko, Adriana Mance, Brenna Mours, Isabela Oviedo, Francesca Pietragallo, Luciana Putorti, Kate Schaarsmith, Alessandra Sirio, Neema Smith, Ezra Teter, Katheen Wang, Ava Widich
Level 4
Choreography: Toma Smith
Music: Johan Strauss II

Brooke Bergamasco, Carys Blough, Elaine Blumenfeld,
Charley Cameron, Annabelle Chernyshev, Eva Huckle, Casey Marston,
Abigail Moyer, Maggie Paice, Sophia Perricelli, Dillon Perry,
Eden Piekut, Georgy Pistov, Ryan Sharp, Sheila Joy Smith,
Marichka Zaikina

Level 5
Choreography: Eun Young Ahn
Music: Pyotr Illyich Tchaikovsky

Veva Best, Hadley Hoehl, Claire Kinst, Fiona McCarthy,
Savannah Mclean, Alexandra Meier, Daphne Tirone, Sadie Walsh

Level 2 - “The Charleston”
Choreography: Jamie Erin Murphy
Music: Bobby Morganstein

Lydia Banfield Hicks, Elizabeth Barfuss, Catheryn Behr,
Zenia Cook, Aine Crowley, Abigail Goebbel, Lucijan Huckle,
Adeline Kelly, Nadja Kuntz, Ava Liscotti, Alena Lumsden,
Madison Milkovich, Lilly Murphy, Quinn Perry, Nayala Smail,
Madeleine Stephenson, Zuhaira Tendo, Karly Trezza,
Phoebe Van Gehuchten

Level 3 - “Boogie Woogie Mood”
Choreography: Jamie Erin Murphy
Music: Andrew Sisters, Glen Miller

Emelia Beynon, Joanna Bi, Lucia Bristow, Brenyn Caplan,
Emma Crooks, Summer Franco, Lillian Goughnour, Veronica Karpov,
Sofia Kubini, Marlaina Lesko, Adriana Mance, Brenna Mours,
Isabela Oviedo, Francesca Pietragallo, Luciana Putorti,
Kate Schaarsmith, Alessandra Sirio, Neema Smith, Ezra Teter,
Katheen Wang, Ava Widich
Level 4 - “I Like It Like That”  
**Choreography:** Jamie Erin Murphy  
**Music:** Pete Rodroguez

Brooke Bergamasco, Carys Blough, Elaine Blumenfeld,  
Charley Cameron, Annabelle Chernyshev, Eva Huckle,  
Casey Marston, Abigail Moyer, Maggie Paice, Sophia Perricelli,  
Dillon Perry, Eden Piekut, Georgy Pistov, Ryan Sharp,  
Sheila Joy Smith, Marichka Zaikina

Level 5 - “Rhythm”  
**Choreography:** Jamie Erin Murphy  
**Music:** Ella Fitzgerald

Veva Best, Hadley Hoehl, Claire Kinst, Fiona McCarthy,  
Savannah Mclean, Alexandra Meier, Daphne Tirone, Sadie Walsh

Serenade  
**Choreography:** George Balanchine  
**Staging:** Jerri Kumery  
**Music:** Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky  
**Costume design:** Karinska  
**Lighting Design:** Ronald Bates

Madeline Gradle  
Taylor Fikes  
Nicole McGinnis

Sara Dierberger, Ava Griebel, Alexis Holizna, Kara Hunter,  
Grace Kimble, Haley Mauldin, Isabelle Millet, Maia Montgomery,  
Chloe Olson, Asuka Otsubo, Sophie Powell, Isabella Sessa,  
Sierra Stipetich, Alexandria Troianos, Anna Turani,  
Sophie Waterfall

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**Valse**

**Choreography:** Christine Schwaner  
**Music:** Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky  
**Costume design:** Janet Groom Campbell

Mikayla Anderson, Olivia Bevilacqua, Savannah Crabtree, Lily Greene, Elena Havard, Kabria Holland, Kalista J’Lyse Kafana, Katheryn Kasmar, Brigitte Kossouth, Nicole Ly, Grace Millett, Isabella Ombrellaro, Kiara Patsan, Gabriella Romack, Charlotte Van Ermen

**Pas D’Action**

**Choreography:** After Marius Petipa  
**Staging:** Christopher Budzynski, Marjorie Grundvig  
**Music:** Ludwig Minkus  
**Costume design:** Janet Groom Campbell

Isabella Seo      Andres Angel

Anna Ackerman, Cooper Clark Blankenburg, Taylor Fikes, Allison Hajduk, Laura Hart, Cecilia Helena Hernandez, Charlotte Kelsey, Hannah Pruiett, Tim Hartshorn, Luke Mosher

**Don Quixote Excerpts**

**Choreography:** After Marius Petipa & Terrence Orr  
**Staging:** Christopher Budzynski  
**Music:** Ludwig Minkus  
**Costume design:** Janet Groom Campbell

Serene Wong      Kansuke Nakamura  
Julia Tegtmeier    Nathan Bender  
Gracie Joiner     Adrienne Klimchak

Anja Harrell, Min Woo Kim, Rachel Schultz, Margaret Speir, Annika Weidemann, Anthony Jumao-As, Aaron Dolan, Wyatt Johnson, Jesse Joiner, Alexander Tyson, Taigo Watanabe
Wind

Choreography: Jamie Erin Murphy
Music: Philip G Anderson

Sara Dierberger, Ava Griebel, Alexis Holizna, Kara Hunter, Grace Kimble, Haley Mauldin, Isabelle Millet, Maia Montgomery, Chloe Olson, Asuka Otsubo, Sophie Powell, Isabella Sessa, Sierra Stipetich, Alexandria Troianos, Anna Turani, Sophie Waterfall

Fire

Choreography: Jamie Erin Murphy
Music: Sandeep Das

Anna Ackerman, Andres Angel, Cooper Clark Blankenburg, Taylor Fikes, Madeline Gradle, Allison Hajduk, Tim Hartshorn, Cecilia Helena Hernandes, Charlotte Kelsey, Nicole McGinnis, Luke Mosher, Hannah Pruieett, Isabella Seo

Water

Choreography: Jamie Erin Murphy
Music: Niklas Paschburg


Earth

Choreography: Jamie Erin Murphy
Music: Steve Reich, So Percussion

Nathan Bender, Aaron Dolan, Anja Harrell, Wyatt Johnson, Gracie Joiner, Jesse Joiner, Anthony Jumao-As, Min Woo Kim, Adrienne Klimchack, Kansuke Nakamura, Rachel Schultz, Margaret Speir, Julia Tegtmeier, Eliana Tolentino, Alexander Tyson, Taigo Wantanabe, Annika Weidmann, Serene Wong
Congratulations to this year’s graduating seniors!

Natalia Andrade, Caterina Baker, Katrina Chen, Adrienne Klimchak, Chloe Larouche, Ainsley Nolan, Maile Claire Oravitz, Hannah Pruiett, Tyra Smith, Rachel Whitenight

Congratulations to our students who will be attending Universities around the country and to those who have received employment offers from ballet companies. We are very proud of all the work and dedication you have exhibited and the young adults you have become. Whether you are pursuing a career in dance or academics we wish you the best of luck!
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Marianna Tcherkassky ................................................ Répétiteur
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Kuan-Yi Lu ................................................................. Full-Time Pianist
Juliet Winovich ............................................................ Full-Time Pianist
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Daniel Meunier, Gordon Nunn, Maja Petrovic, Lisa Wimer

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Janet Groom Campbell ................................................ Costumier
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