



FOOTNOTES

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Charleston Ballet 55th Season Presents PINOCCHIO world premiere

The Charleston Ballet concludes its 55th season, REFLECTIONS, presenting the world premiere of PINOCCHIO, a full-length original ballet score composed by Evan Mack with choreography by K. R. Pauley.

PINOCCHIO, based on the beloved children's story, follows the adventures of Geppetto and his Marionette creation, Pinocchio, and his desire to become a real boy. This will be a full-length ballet and will serve as a wonderful introduction for young children to the world of dance through a familiar story with many colorful characters. SLEEPING BEAUTY PAS DE DEUX and a contemporary work DUSK TO DAWN will complete the evening of performances.

As an acclaimed concert pianist, Evan Mack, performs all over the United States and in Spain and South Africa. He performed recently at Carnegie Hall and live on Public Radio from Chicago. As a composer, Mr. Mack has created 5 full-length musicals and numerous popular and classical works. Most recently, his opera ANGEL OF THE AMAZON, has been performed in San Francisco, CA. Currently, he is a professor at Skidmore College and the College of Saint Rose.

Guest artist Ian Casady, principal dancer with the Houston Ballet, will perform the SLEEPING BEAUTY PAS DE DUEX with Charleston Ballet principal Rhiannon Turley. In PINOCCHIO, Mr. Casady will create the role of the Fox and Ms. Turley the role of the Blue Fairy. Brigette Madden will dance the role of Pinocchio, Paul Shannon will take on the role of Geppetto and Nadia Bastron will appear as the Cricket.

A large cast of dancers from the Charleston Ballet, Apprentices, and young dancers from the American Academy Ballet will be appearing in this spring performance set. They include Paige Carlton, Olivia Carnell, Renata DiGregorio, Eleanor Gandee, Kalea Gunderson, Brittany Javins, Angela Jones, Kristina Kemp, Erica Knowles, Sheena Madden, Catherine McDonald, Adelyn Nottingham, Lauren Reasor, Kristina Steadman, Alexis Townsend, Peyton Cope, Elizabeth Hughes, Clare Loftus, Siercia O'Brien, Kate Papadopoulos, Samantha Riggs, Julie Steranka, Emma Tinney, Jim Balow, Ken Zaremski, Chris Fleshman, Christin Cox, Lindsey Duvall, Lauren Carnell, Phoebe Crow, Taylor Edwards, Amanda Barber, Caroline McClung, Deema Kahwash, Jenna Kahwash, Leana Kahwash and Cassandra Sobieski.

Performances will take place at the Charleston Civic Center Theater on March 25- 26, 2011 at 7:30 pm. Advance tickets are priced at \$20 for adults and \$15 for students and seniors. Group discounts are also available by calling the Charleston Ballet office at 304-342-6541. Tickets at the door will be \$25 and \$20, so get your tickets early and save \$5!! They are available at the Civic Center Box Office, Backstage Bodywear, at the Charleston Ballet Office or on line at tickets@thecharlestonballet.com



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TO THE POINTE

“Be not afraid of growing slowly, be afraid only of standing still”

-Chinese Proverb

Tickets to the Charleston Ballet performances and events can be purchased on line at tickets@thecharlestonballet.com.

Dancers from the company will attend master classes and perform at the West Virginia Dance Festival April 8-10, 2011.

The Charleston Ballet will perform during FESTIVAL June 22, 2011, at the West Virginia Culture Center

Volunteers are needed for assisting with student performances of PINOCCHIO on March 25, 2011 at 11:00 am at the Charleston Civic Center Theater. Call the Charleston Ballet office at **304-342-6541** if you can help.



Become a fan of the Charleston Ballet on FACEBOOK. Go to www.thecharlestonballet.com and sign up on our direct link



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the lucky three winners of the Valentine Raffle. This year the winners were Mimi Imbrogno, Package 1, Kelsey Harding, Package 2, and Christopher Dent, Package 3.

AAB School Recital - Photo Opportunity

The American Academy Ballet annual recital will be held on Friday, May 27, 2011, at the Civic Center Theater at 7:30 pm. Students will present dances demonstrating skills that they have learned during the year. Dancers from the Charleston Ballet will also offer performances. Tickets are \$10 for Adults and \$7 for Children 12 and under.

Students will also have the opportunity this year to have their photograph taken in costume by the official photographer of the Charleston Ballet, Mr. Jurgen Lorenzen of Nicholas Photography. Photos will be taken on Tuesday, May 3, beginning at 4:00 pm. Make sure to schedule your session early. Information will be distributed during student classes.



Dancers performed at CARNEVALE, a fundraiser held to benefit the Charleston Ballet and the Clay Center. This successful event was held January 22, 2011.

AAB SUMMER INTENSIVE

The American Academy Ballet Summer Intensive will be held for 4 weeks from June 6 - July 1, 2011.

This year's teaching staff :

- Kim Pauley (Ballet)
- Oliver Wecxsteen (Ballet)
- Chantel McCormick (Irish/Scottish Dance)
- Stephanie Nerbak (Modern)
- Gyula Pandi (Ballet, Character)
- Angela Price (Pilates)
- Rhiannon Turley (Ballet)
- Tauletha Chaffin (Zumba)



**7TH ANNUAL!
FAMILY FUN BASH**

**JUNE 11, 2011
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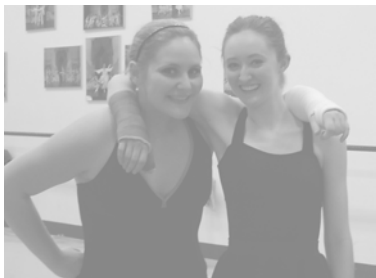
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Who says ballet isn't a contact sport!!!



BALLET FOR ALL PROGRAM

The Charleston Ballet is very committed to making the art of dance more accessible to students and families in our region no matter their economic background.

The BALLET FOR ALL program offers **greatly reduced ticket prices to any family with children who currently qualify for the reduced and free school lunch programs in the Kanawha and Putnam county areas.** The Charleston Ballet is offering a \$5 per person ticket for qualifying families. Participation in the free or reduced lunch programs will be all that is necessary to acquire these tickets.

There will be 100 tickets available at this special \$5 price at our Saturday March 26 2:00 p.m. performance this spring. These are available to any family with children who qualify for the reduced or free school lunch programs. They will be available on a first-come, first-served basis for our 2:00 pm ballet performance at the Civic Center Little Theater March 26, 2011. Tickets must be purchased in advance. They may be purchased at the Charleston Ballet Office or at participating schools. Please feel free to call 304-342-6541 or email us at info@thecharlestonballet.com if you need more information.

We hope the availability of the BALLET FOR ALL program to local families will help make the arts more accessible for everyone. We hope you will help us spread the word of this program to children and families at your school.

CHARLESTON BALLET TO HOLD AUDITIONS

Open auditions for the company will be held 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday May 11, 2011 for next season performances. The Apprentice audition will be held on Thursday May 12, 4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m, for younger dancers (ages 11-15). The upcoming season (2011-12) will include an exciting contemporary repertoire and the Nutcracker with the WV Symphony Orchestra. These auditions will be held at the Charleston Ballet studio location.

Call **304-342-6541** for additional information.

**MEET COMPOSER EVAN MACK AT THE
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April 8-10, 2011 Dance Festival WV Culture Center 7:00 pm

May 27, 2011 American Academy Ballet Recital 7:30 pm Civic Center

June 6, - July 1, 2011 American Academy Ballet Summer Intensive
Session

June 11, 2011 Family Fun Bash TBA.

June 18 - 26, 2011 FESTIVALL Charleston Ballet performance June 22

September 6, 2011 American Academy Ballet Fall Semester begins.

October 14 - 15, 2011 Charleston Ballet Season Opener Civic Center
Theater