FESTIVAL DANCE

July 17, 18, 19, 20

PROGRAM

Allegro Brillante

Pause

God's Children

Intermission

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Festival Dance

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Associate Program director/ Pedagogue
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Victoria Simon, Guest Ballet Pedagogue
Susan Toumine, Ballet Mistress
David LaHay, Ballet Pedagogue
Sarah Brewer, Assistant Ballet Mistress
Gioconda Barbuto, Choreographer/
Recipient of the 1996 Clifford E. Lee Award

Joe Laughlin, Choreographer/
Recipient of the 1996 Clifford E. Lee Award
Lynn Sheppard, Assistant to Joe Laughlin
Tita Evidente, Senior Accompanist
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Sean Ling, Footwear Coordinator

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Darrell Moore, Assistant Lighting Designer*
Denise Barrett, Costume Designer
Penny Olorenshaw, Stage Manager
John Byrne, Assistant Stage Manager*

Allegro Brillante

Choreography, George Balanchine Music, Tchaikovsky, Piano Concerto No. 3 (unfinished) Original Production, New York City Ballet Staging, Victoria Simon Répétiteur, Susan Toumine, Sarah Brewer

One of Balanchine's most joyous pure dance pieces, **Allegro Brillante** is characterised by its broad, sweeping movements that flow into one another, covering the stage. Noted for its split-second timing and bravura ballerina role, the choreography has what Maria Tallchief (on whom the leading female role was created) calls an "expansive Russian romanticism." Balanchine said it "... contains everything I know about the classical ballet in thirteen minutes." The music's propulsion makes the steps appear difficult, but the ballet relies on strong dancing, precise timing, and breadth of gesture. Numerous companies around the world have staged **Allegro Brillante** and it was filmed in 1979 for the PBS Dance in America program.

The performance of **Allegro Brillante**, a Balanchine Ballet®, is presented by arrangement with The George Balanchine TrustSM and has been produced in accordance with the Balanchine Style® and Balanchine Technique® Service standards established and provided by the Trust.

Costumes courtesy of Les Grands Ballets Canadiens

July 17 and 20

Heather Telford, Dominic Dewolfe

and

Alize Abele, Kathryn McKinnon (20), Sarah Nolan, Simone Orlando (17), Nicki Wood

Eric Crockett, Richard Gulliver (20), Matthew Huet (17), Sean Ling, Johnny Wright

July 18 and 19

Philippa Hayball, Eric Crockett

and

Tara Butler, Pascale de Kerckhove, Melodie McKee, Sabrina Matthews

Matthew Huet, Sean Ling, Yannick Matthon, Matjas Mrozewski

Pause

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God's Children

Choreography, Brian Macdonald Music, Quartettsatz by Franz Schubert String Quartet No. 1 and No. 5 by R. Murray Schafer

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Original Production, *The Banff Centre, 1994* Répétiteur, *Annette av Paul*

The young are plagued early now. This dance includes some thoughts on loss and compassion.

You cannot face it steadily, but this thing is sure That time is no healer, the patient is no longer here.

- T.S. Eliot

The Schubert and Schafer Quartet #1 were choreographed in 1978 on dancers of Les Grands Ballets Canadien. Schafer #5 was sketched at the Stratford Festival and then completed at the Banff Centre in 1994. Like an author finding his characters still haunt him, I am here following them to another destiny.

- B.M.

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By special arrangement with the Royal Winnipeg Ballet

Tara Birtwhistle, Paul Destrooper, Brandon Downs, David Lucas

July 18

Simone Orlando, Dominic Dewolfe, Dennis Lepsi, Johnny Wright

Intermission, 15 minutes

CHIAROSCURO

A World Premiere Choreography, *Gioconda Barbuto,* 1996 Clifford E. Lee Award Winner Répétiteur, *Sarah Brewer* Music

> E.C. Woodley, Abide With Me (New York No. 1) Mask I from Innua: Three Masks (1987) by Allan Gordon Bell

Performed by MUSIC MOSAIC: Laura Schlessinger, cello; Susan Lang Eddlemon, violin; Colleen Athparia, piano

Sketch II from Monashee: Three Lyric Sketches (1982) by Allan Gordon Bell

Performed by MUSIC MOSAIC: Laura Schlessinger, cello; Colleen Athparia, piano. MUSIC MOSAIC appears courtesy of New Concert Discs from the CD MUSIC MOSAIC — Music of Countryside and Wilderness

Plague composed by Meredith Monk

Performed by Meredith Monk & Vocal Ensemble. Voices: Johanna Arnold, Joan Barber, Andrea Goodman, Naaz Hosseini, Meredith Monk, Robert Een, John Eppler, Ching Gonzalez, Wayne Hankin, Nicky Paraiso, Timothy Sawyer from BOOK OF DAYS/ECM New Series 1399 © Meredith Monk (ASCAP)

Dave Heath, The Frontier

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Ms. Barbuto would like to thank Mr. Bernard Martin for his assistance, as well as Mr. Guy St-Onge and sound engineer, Claude Rivest, of Studio Reference, St-Calixte, Quebec.

July 17, 19 and 20

Alize Abele, Pascale de Kerckhove, Dominic Dewolfe, Philippa Hayball, Matthew Johnson, Bernard Martin, Matjash Mrozewski, Heather Telford, Johnny Wright

July 18

Pascale de Kerckhove, Richard Gulliver, Philippa Hayball, Matthew Johnson, Bernard Martin, Yannick Matthon, Kathryn McKinnon, Sarah Nolan, Johnny Wright,

Intermission, 15 minutes

L'Étiquette

A World Premiere Choreography, Joe Laughlin, 1996 Clifford E. Lee Award Winner Music, Selections by Bach, Corelli, Vivaldi Répétiteur, Lynn Sheppard

Mr. Laughlin would like to thank Mary Galbraith, Alberta Theatre Projects, Arts Umbrella and Catherine Lee.

July 17, 19 and 20

Tara Butler, Eric Crockett, Pascale de Kerckhove, Philippa Hayball, Matthew Huet, Sean Ling, Sabrina Matthews, Yannick Matthon, Matjash Mrozewski, Sarah Nolan (17, 19), Simone Orlando, Heather Telford (20)

July 18

Alize Abele, Tara Butler, Eric Crockett, Pascale de Kerckhove, Matthew Huet, Sean Ling, Yannick Matthon, Melodie McKee, Matjash Mrozewski, Heather Telford, Philippa Hayball

The Clifford E. Lee Choreography Award

The Clifford E. Lee Choreography Award is one of the most complete and prestigious choreography awards in the dance world. It consists of six weeks of rehearsal for the creation of a new work with a company of 24 professional dancers at The Banff Centre, full production support, four performances at the Banff Arts Festival and a cash prize of \$5,000. For the first time in its 18-year history, the Clifford E. Lee Choreography Award has two recipients. The foundation, in association with the Banff Centre for the Arts, has presented the award to Montreal's Gioconda Barbuto and Vancouver's Joe Laughlin.

The Clifford E. Lee Foundation is an Alberta-based private foundation that for 25 years has been supporting social and artistic development in Alberta. "Lila Lee [Chairman of the Foundation] is the model benefactor" states Brian Macdonald, Program Director of Festival Dance at the Centre. "She was inspired by the possibilities and the award has now evolved to be one of the most prestigious and resource-rich dance awards in North America. Because of the very high cost of a craft that's very hard to learn, the chance to work for six weeks with as many as 24 dancers is a tremendous opportunity for a young choreographer."

Many of the Lee Award ballets have gone on to be produced by such companies as the Royal Winnipeg Ballet, Toronto Dance Theatre and the Alberta Ballet. Recent recipients include Crystal Pite, Mark Godden, Randy Glynn and Michael Downing.

Festival Dance Company 1996

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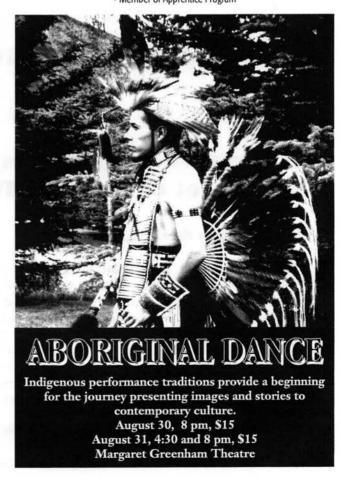
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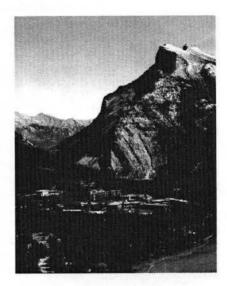
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