

# SOCAL BALLET SCENE



BALLET FESTIVAL & **GALA 2024** 

SEPTEMBER 14, 2024

Carpenter Performing Arts Center, Long Beach

## S@CAL BALLET SCENE

## Our Mission

The mission of SoCal Ballet Scene is to enrich and elevate the community by:

- · bringing the experience of professional performance to the public
- providing youth from low-income communities access to the artform
- supporting local professional dancers in their continued training; and uniting Southern California artists to foster creative collaboration

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## The White Number Anaheim Ballet

Choreography: Sarma Lapenieks Rosenberg

Music: Christopher Tin

Performed by Anaheim Ballet company dancers:

Elan Alekzander, Scott Alexander, Haley Altman-Cipot, Jestoni Dagdag, Marcos Diaz, Jessica Dunn, Rebekah Evans, Chris Flores, Anabelle Gunderson, Brittney Hattrup, Damian Kelly, Kaitlyn Kenny, Jacqueline Navarrete Yanez, Tatiana Ortega, Brayden Page, Analisa Sabo, Crystal Wachs

## excerpt from Swan Lake - White Swan Pas de Deux Hollywood Ballet

Choreography: Marius Petipa Music: Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky World premiere 1895 - St Petersburg, Russia Performed by: Petra Conti, Eris Nezha

## excerpt from Don Quixote - Act I

Choreography after: Marius Petipa and Alexander Gorsky

Music: Ludwig Minkus

World premiere 1869 - Moscow, Russia

Corps de ballet choreography & staging: Samantha Bell

Principal/soloist staging & coaching: Tanya Durbin, Sharon Savoy, Rena Kamariotakis

#### Performed by:

Kitri Rachel Hutsell
Basilio Eduard Sargsyan
Mercedes Rena Kamariotakis

Espada Alexander Romanchikov

Espada's toreadors Damian Kelly, Chris Flores, Brayden Page, Jestoni Dagdag

Kitri's friends Karli Padilla, Stella SingYiun

Don Quixote Steven Swope Sancho Panza Trevor Felter

Corps de ballet Wendy Alcarez, Jade Audon, Darrin Blumfield, Alina Chun,

Heidi Debrincat, Brenda Erlinger, Carli Forsythe,

Susan Heatter, Abby Heston, Vikki Lee, Christine Pigott,

Michael Taber, Joel Tercero, Clarissa Wylde

Costumes by: Christine Pigott and Long Beach Ballet

### INTERMISSION

## **Flock**

#### **Onco Ballet**

Choreography: Maria Cherezova

Music: Vivaldi recomposed by Max Richter

**Performed by:** Anna Wassman Cox, Maria Cherezova, Donna Bowden, Sarah Dzida, Kerry Hedley, Hannah King, Melissa Kittiwanich, Alison Ma, Judy Miller, Buffy Moreno, Aimee Murcia, Maria Quezada, Karen Skirvin, Samantha Vo, Helen Yum

## **Swing Time**

**Choreography:** Sadie Black **Music:** Bernard Berkhout

#### Performed by:

Haley Altman-Cipot, Claire Buehler, Jet Dagdag, Brooke DeSoto, Teresa Dietrich, Chris Flores, Madelynn Hampton, Damian Kelly, Alina Krasovskaya, Natasha Rader, Celyna Tran

## excerpt from The Flower Festival in Genzano

Choreography: August Bournonville

Music: Edvard Helsted

World premiere 1858 - Copenhagen, Denmark **Performed by:** Chloe Verkinder, Alec Guthrie

Costumes by: Christine Pigott

## **Insignificant Betrayals**

Choreography: Jeffrey Raschiatore

Music: Philip Glass

Performed by:

2pm Matinee / Teresa Dietrich, Anna Hirko, Damian Kelly7pm Evening / Rachel Blevins Boor, Jestoni Dagdag, Jacqueline Pierce

Costumes by: Sarah Seabury

### **Kismet**

Choreography: Claire Buehler

Music: Peter Gregson

Performed by:

Haley Altman-Cipot, Chris Flores, Alina Krasovskaya, Brayden Page,

Alexander Romanchikov, Celyna Tran

Costumes by: Christine Pigott

## Reclaim What's Yours The Realm Company

Choreography: Chasen Greenwood

**Music:** Taylor Briggs

Performed by:

Hannah Barr, Melissa Briggs, Natalia Burns, Carmen Callahan, Sarah Chan, Harry Louis, Sofia Rochin, Mizuki Sako,

Kristan Steckmann

## Tchaikovsky Pas de Deux

Choreography: George Balanchine

Music: Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Performed with permission from the George Balanchine Trust

World premiere 1960 - New York City

Performed by: Kathryn Morgan, Mate Szentes

Lighting Design for our Gala: Stacy Fireheart



Rachel Hutsell as Kitri in Don Quixote

## Professional Freelance & Guest Artists



Elan Alekzander

Anaheim Ballet



Scott Alexander

Anaheim Ballet



Haley Altman-Cipot

Anaheim Ballet



Hannah Barr The Realm Company



Melissa Briggs
The Realm Company



Rachel Blevins-Boor



Claire Buehler



Natalie Burns The Realm Company



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Petri Conti Hollywood Ballet



Jestoni Dagdag Anaheim Ballet



Brooke DeSoto



Marcos Diaz Anaheim Ballet



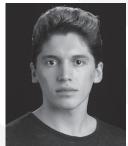
Teresa Dietrich



Jessica Dunn Anaheim Ballet



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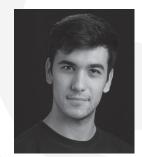
Anna Hirko



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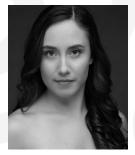
Anaheim Ballet



Eris Nezha Hollywood Ballet



Tatiana Ortega Anaheim Ballet



Karli Padilla



Brayden Page Anaheim Ballet



Jacqueline Pierce



Natasha Rader



Sofia Rochin The Realm Company



Alexander Romanchikov



Analisa Sabo Anaheim Ballet



Mizuki Sako The Realm Company



Eduard Sargsyan



Stella SingYiun



Kristan Steckmann
The Realm Company



Mate Szentes



Celyna Tran



Chloe Verkinder



Crystal Wachs Anaheim Ballet

## Don Quixote Corps de Ballet



Wendy Alcarez



Jade Audon



Darrin Blumfield



Alina Chun



Heidi Debrincat



Brenda Erlinger



Trevor Felter



Carli Forsythe



Susan Heatter



Abby Heston



Vikki Lee



Christine Pigott



Steven Swope



Michael Taber



Joel Tercero



Clarissa Wylde

As it is our mission to unite the ballet community of Southern California—both professional and recreational dancers—we invited adult recreational dancers to perform in our Don Quixote corps de ballet.

## Onco-Ballet Performers



Anna Wassman Cox



Maria Cherezova



























Donna Bowden, Sarah Dzida, Kerry Hedley, Hannah King, Melissa Kittiwanich, Alison Ma, Judy Miller, Buffy Moreno, Aimee Murcia, Maria Quezada, Karen Skirvin, Samantha Vo, Helen Yum

Upcoming

Dance Events

IN OUR COMMUNITY

Pacific Ballet Dance Theatre World Cinematic Jazz & Dance

Sept 15 | 6pm THE ALEX — AlexTheatre.org Laguna Dance Festival
Behind the Dance

Sept 26 | 6:30pm

Anaheim Ballet's Nutcracker

**Nov 29 & 30** City National Grove Anaheim, CA

**Dec 12-15** Riverside Resort Laughlin, NV

## Choreographers & MC



Samantha Bell



Sadie Black



Claire Buehler



Maria Cherezova Onco-Ballet



Chasen Greenwood The Realm Company



Jeffrey Raschiatore



Kendall Sinclair Master of Ceremonies

## Thank you for joining us at our 2024 Festival!

We would love to hear what you thought about the show with this quick survey!





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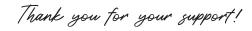
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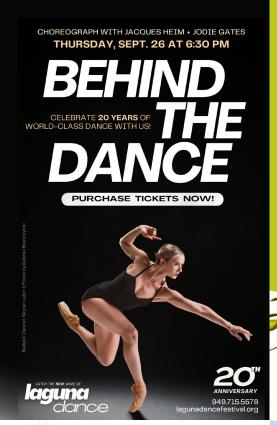
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## Building our community continues!

#### OUTDOOR FESTIVAL

Between our 2pm matinee and 7pm evening performances, please join us for our complimentary festival in the outside courtyard.

- · Live music
- Ballet photography exhibits
- Ballroom demonstrations
- Food, wine & beer available for purchase

#### MEET & GREET RECEPTION

Following our evening 7pm performance, please join us for our post-show mixer. Mingle with the performing artists at our meet-andgreet reception in front of the theatre.



See you at our 2026 Ballet Gala & Festival!

IN THE MEANTIME, STAY IN TOUCH!



