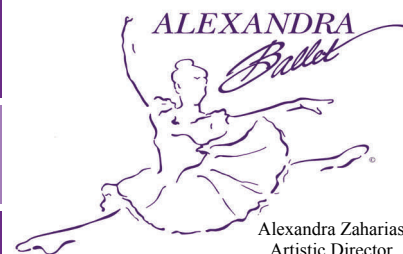


Alexandra Ballet

*Educating, Elevating, and Enriching
the Community through the Magic of Dance!*

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Alexandra Ballet Announces 2010 - 2011 Season

GRAND OPENING: DANCING IN THE STREET

Saturday, September 25th, Time TBD

FREE

Alexandra Ballet will be part of this annual festival celebrating dance in the Grand Center Arts and Entertainment District. The Company will perform *Giverny*, choreographed by Chicago choreographer and former Hubbard Street dancer Susan O'Connell, restaged by ballet mistress Norma Gabriel. Set to the George Frideric Handel's lyrical *Water Music*, this contemporary ballet is a tribute to the impressionist painter, Claude Monet, and his beautiful gardens in Giverny, France.

60x60 DANCE IN ST. LOUIS

Sunday, October 3rd, 6:30pm

\$7 - \$15

60x60 Dance is part of *The American Art Experience - St. Louis* and will unite the finest dancers and choreographers in the Midwest for an evening of abstract presentation. Performed in the perfect acoustics of the Sheldon Concert Hall, the event pairs 60 unique 60-second music compositions - each by a different composer - with 60 St. Louis choreographers for a continuous one-hour concert of music and live dance. See Alexandra Ballet present a new work created for them by their own CiCi Houston as they join the St. Louis dance community in this fast-paced, one of a kind event!

POLONAISE BALL

Saturday, November 20th

BY INVITATION

Alexandra Ballet's Makensie Howe and Dillon Malinski, scholarship winners to American Ballet Theatre and Houston Ballet summer intensives, will perform *La Fille Mal Gardée* at the Polish American Cultural Society's annual gala ball, held at Sunset Country Club. Proceeds from this event benefit the Polish American Cultural Society's Arts and Education Foundation and the Stan Musial Scholarship Fund. Call 314.868.6911 for ticket information.

THE NUTCRACKER

Sunday, December 19th, 2:00pm & 6:00pm

\$6 & \$15

In collaboration with Chesterfield Arts, Alexandra Ballet is proud to present their annual production of *The Nutcracker* at the Purser Center on the campus of Logan College. Perfect for all ages, this one hour ballet, narrated by Ann Marie Ruhlin, was created especially for families. Children will be delighted to have the opportunity to meet and get their picture taken with the Sugar Plum Fairy, Clara and Nutcracker after each performance. Make this charming production the beginning of a great holiday tradition! Tickets for this performance sell quickly. Don't be disappointed; buy your tickets early by calling 636.519.1955.

2011 MAINSTAGE PRODUCTION: *Gems of the Ballet*

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PERFORMANCES

Friday, March 4th (by reservation only)

PUBLIC PERFORMANCES

Saturday, March 5th, 7:30pm

\$10 - \$30

Sunday, March 6th, 2:00pm

The company presents its MainStage Production with five outstanding works. *Paquita's* "Polonaise" and "Grand Pas de Deux" reflect the spirit and elegance of the Spanish royal court. The light-hearted comic ballet, *Graduation Ball*, was a favorite of the Ballet Russe repertory. *Frescoes*, an excerpt from *The Humpback Horse* ballet, will be performed by four company soloists. *La Fille Mal Gardée Pas de Deux* comes from one of the oldest and most important ballets still in existence today. *Giverny*, a contemporary ballet, is a tribute to the impressionist painter, Claude Monet, and his beautiful gardens at his home in Giverny, France. A remarkable production not to be missed! Purchase your tickets, after January 15th, at www.touhill.org or 314.516.4949.