ALEXANDRA Ballet

Educating, Elevating, and Enriching
St. Louis through the Magic of Dance!

Alexandra Ballet Announces 2011 - 2012 Season

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Alexandra Ballet, a non-profit organization committed to educating, elevating, and enriching St. Louis through the art of dance, announces its magical 2011 - 2012 Season.

GRAND OPENING: DANCING IN THE STREET — **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH, 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 *Esmeralda* with original choreography by Jules Perrot and restaged for Alexandra Ballet by Nikoloz Makhateli.

POLONAISE BALL — **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1ST** — **BY INVITATION**

Alexandra Ballet will be part of 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.

60X60 DANCE IN ST. LOUIS — **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2ND, 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 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!

THE NUTCRACKER — **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18TH, 2:00PM & 6:00PM** — **$10 & $15**

In collaboration with Chesterfield Arts, Alexandra Ballet presents 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. Make this charming production the beginning of a great holiday tradition! This performance sell out quickly, so buy your tickets early by calling 636.519.1955.

2012 MAINSTAGE PRODUCTION: *The Sleeping Beauty*

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PERFORMANCES	**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH (BY RESERVATION ONLY)**	
PUBLIC PERFORMANCES	**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH, 7:30PM**	**$10 - $30**
	SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH, 2:00PM	

Join Princess Aurora, Prince Desiré, Carabosse the wicked fairy and the kind Lilac Fairy as they take you through the magical story, culminating with Aurora's Royal Wedding as they celebrate with Little Red Riding Hood, Puss N' Boots, and Princess Florine's Bluebird. Don't miss this timeless tale of good versus evil and true love conquering all. Purchase tickets at www.touhill.org or 314.516.4949.

PETER AND THE WOLF — **SPRING 2012**

Prokovfiev's famous score introduces the ballet characters as sounds from musical instruments. You won't want to miss this exciting, educational work that includes something for everyone. More information to follow shortly.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ALEXANDRA BALLET, VISIT ALEXANDRABALLET.COM OR CALL 314-469-6222

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