

BALTIMORE *Ballet*

Company

Established in June 2000 by Directors Cem and Elysabeth Catbas, Baltimore Ballet has presented professional ballet performances including our extremely popular, annual sold-out "Nutcracker," as well as "Les Sylphides," "La Bayadere Kingdom of the Shades," "Swan Lake" Act 2, "Giselle" Act 2, and three ballets choreographed by Artistic Director, Cem Catbas; "A Gershwin Rhapsody," "Pictures at an Exhibition," and "Carnival of the Animals."

Baltimore audiences have had the pleasure of seeing world-class dancers appear in our performances, including stars of the Kirov Ballet, American Ballet Theatre, and the Washington Ballet among others.



In addition to our international roster of professionals and stars, Baltimore Ballet also features young, local talent, and pre-professional students of Baltimore Ballet School.

Baltimore Ballet has received grants from the Baltimore County Commission on Arts & Sciences, the Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts, and the Georgene Brody Fund for the Future of Baltimore Community Foundation.

For more information on Baltimore Ballet Company visit: www.baltimoreballet.org



School

Baltimore Ballet students have achieved many successes including; 1st place in the Youth America Grand Prix regional competition, and numerous other competitions; winning the MD Distinguished Scholar Awards in Dance; and acceptance to the top summer and year-round programs including School of American Ballet, American Ballet Theatre, and others, often with full scholarships.



In addition to our own wonderful faculty, students have also enjoyed master classes with Ramazan Bapov (former principal dancer with the Bolshoi Ballet and Varna Medal Winner), Richard Glasstone (long-time faculty member of the Royal Ballet School in London and founder of the London Cecchetti Society), and Ying Li and Jiabin Pan (Varna Competition Gold Medalists and former principal Dancers of Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre).

Baltimore Ballet has a very popular children's program with experienced, enthusiastic faculty who love working with young students. We also have the largest adult ballet program in the region.

Students can participate in our annual production of the "Nutcracker," and a school recital each May.



Facilities

Baltimore Ballet has 4,500 square feet of space, housing three studios (all with sprung wood floors, Harlequin Marley surfaces, high ceilings and observation windows), a large waiting room, and plenty of free parking. Wireless internet is available for students.



Community

In addition to Baltimore Ballet's regular winter & spring performances at Goucher College Kraushaar Auditorium, we have participated in outreach performances at the Baltimore Museum of Art Free First Thursday Series, Dance Baltimore at the Mechanic Theatre, Maryland Hall in Annapolis, Stephens Hall at Towson University, Patterson Park, and local retirement communities. Baltimore Ballet, to celebrate National Dance Week, has given free Angelina Ballerina™ parties to young children and regularly donates free tickets and/or classes to local charities.

Baltimore Ballet has been featured on WJZ-TV, ABC2 News, Comcast Newsmakers, Baltimore Public Access TV, in the Baltimore Sun, Towson Times, Baltimore Examiner, and other local news media.



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