

BALLET MINNESOTA

Official school:

Classical Ballet Academy of Minnesota

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St Paul, Lowertown: 249 East Fourth Street, 55101

Woodbury: 7650 Currell Blvd, 55125

Highland Park: M*Gayle Studio, 714 Cleveland 55116

SPRING Session: March 2 - May 16, 2015.

Woodbury Studio. The studio has moved to the 3rd Floor, # 350, 7650 Currell Blvd.

Spring Break. March 30 - April 5, 2015.
There will not be rehearsals but no classes.

27th MINNESOTA DANCE FESTIVAL

Produced by Ballet Minnesota
The O'Shaughnessy
May 1-2, 2015

AT the Museum, Adventures of the Ballerina Girls

A Children's ballet for CBA students –
Pre-ballet thru Level 8 .

Choreography & Book: Andrew Rist
Original musical score: Robert E Hindel
Costumes: Cheryl Rist
Sets: Lorelee Sathre and Jim Arnold.
Premiere: 2005

The story. Thirteen Classical Ballet Academy of Minnesota students visit the Minneapolis Institute of Art. What happens when one of the girls, Chloe, gets left behind? What happens when the Degas Statue, Picasso's Seated Woman, Van Gogh's Starry, Starry Night and a Degas painting come to life?

Ballet Minnesota Spring Classic: GISELLE

Have you ever heard the phrase, 'You give me the willies.' Well that came from the ballet Giselle. It is the famous scene when the Willis appear to Albrecht late at night in long white romantic tutus and dance.

The world premiere of Giselle was performed at the Theatre de l'Academie Royale de Musique, Paris, June 28, 1841.

Original score: Adolphe Adam
Choreography: Jules Perrot, Jean Coralli
Book: Vemoy deSaint Georges, Theophile Gautier, Jean Coralli
Scenery: Pierre Ciceri
Giselle: Carlotta Grisi
Albrecht: Lucien Petipa
Myrtha: Adele Dumilatre
Hilarion: Jean Coralli

Ballet produced Giselle in 1995, 2005 and 2006.
Cheryl Rist restaged and costumed the ballet.

Jim Arnold, Cynthia Betz and Lisa Gray created the sets. The music was the original score by Adolphe Adam.

Nutcracker 2014

This year's Nutcracker was a tremendous success. Thank you to one and all.

I wanted to make sure all read the quote by critic Ron Hubbard posted on TwinCities.com.

"Ballet Minnesota's Nutcracker is the Destination Dance Performance of the Year."

Congratulations

Olivia Huseonica, level 6, was chosen as the recipient of the 2014 Minnesota Educator's of Gifted and Talented (MEGT) Star of the North Distinguished Student Award. Students selected for the award have distinguished themselves in academic achievement, leadership, or the visual or performing arts.

Former Student – Sara Ezzell

Sara Ezzell, a former Classical Ballet Academy student has been hired by the world famous Mikhailovsky Theatre in Saint Petersburg, Russia. Look up the theater on the internet.



Former Student – Emma Benja

Emma has accepted a job in Tokyo, Japan. She is all settled and recently performed a new contemporary work by choreographer Michael Shannon.

Former Students – Welcome back.

Brianna (Vandelvelde) and Laurie Parker, both former Clara's in Ballet Minnesota's Nutcracker, now have their children enrolled in pre-ballet at CBA.