

SACRAMENTO BALLET

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MEDIA ALERT

NEW CHOREOGRAPHIC WORKS SHOWCASE TOMORROW'S DANCE STARS TODAY IN 29th BEER & BALLET, ACCLAIMED SACRAMENTO LOCAL TALENT SERIES

2022-23 Season Opener, Sept. 30 - Oct. 16, A Showcase for Company Dancers and Introducing First Year for Second Company

WHAT: *Beer & Ballet* (September 30 - October 16, 2022) begins Sacramento Ballet's 2022-23 season with energetic premieres from the company's own dancer-choreographers. Each new work in *Beer & Ballet* is an individual, singular creation & an unrestricted outlet for the artist as a dancemaker.

"This year we ignite the 2022-23 season with our 29th Beer & Ballet as a vibrant showcase for our talented artists," said Artistic/Executive Directors Anthony Krutzkamp. *"And, for the first time we will get to see additional performances by our Trainee Project dancers who have been working hard to help inaugurate our new Second Company. Our dancers are the top priority at Sacramento Ballet and we have worked hard to create a fertile ecosystem to nurture rising talents. Fans who attend Beer & Ballet directly support the careers of our breathtaking company artists and these budding artists-in-the-making."*

Beer & Ballet offers a special *pre-show* performance by dancers from SacBallet's new Second Company, now in its inaugural year. Spurred by SacBallet's growing national reputation as a highly desired dance training destination, Second Company encompasses SacBallet's Trainee Project and six lead performers featured who comprise SB2. (More details on SacBallet's Second Company launch plans can be found below).

Beer & Ballet is an annual celebration created with the support of Sacramento's respected and popular [Bike Dog Brewery](#). Included with a ticket purchase, each attendee will receive one draft beer or glass of wine. Each subsequent beverage purchase benefits SacBallet directly.

Beer & Ballet features diverse food trucks including: [West Coast Taco Bar](#) (California-inspired Mexican fare), [Nash & Proper](#) (Nashville-style fried chicken), [Mumpy's](#) (Asian-Mexican inspirations), [Portu Goal](#) (Portuguese & Mediterranean), [Richeese Burgers](#) (house-made burgers), [Gondo Fusion](#) (Cuban Mexican Latin cuisine), [GyroStop](#) (Gourmet Mediterranean Fusion).

There will be opportunities to meet and greet dancers after performances.

WHEN: September 30 - October 16, 2022

WHERE: *Beer & Ballet* will be held on the James Hargrove Outdoor Performance Stage (J-HOPS) at SacBallet Studios, 2420 N Street, Sacramento, CA. For more information: <https://www.sacballet.org/>

HOW: TICKETING INFORMATION

For more details and to purchase tickets, please call the box office at 916-552-5810 or visit:
<https://sacballet.secure.force.com/ticket/#/events/a0S8X00000T0c60UAB>

WHY THIS MATTERS:

Sacramento Ballet delivers high-quality, world-stage-worthy ballet, dance, education and outreach initiatives. A modern, forward-leaning organization which respects its past while welcoming the future, Sacramento Ballet aims to unite, include and inspire its diverse audiences. Connecting cultures with the positive power of live dance performance, it expands its reach to audiences via regional programming, community outreach and educational activities. Guided by Artistic/Executive Director Anthony Krutzkamp — an innovative choreographer who raised the image and reputation of the Kansas City Dance Festival, Moving Arts Kansas City and Moving Arts Cincinnati — Sacramento Ballet's 68th season will be unforgettable.

ABOUT SACRAMENTO BALLET

A highly regarded cultural asset renowned for artistic quality, Sacramento Ballet attracts approximately 80,000 people to performances annually. Deeply committed to the Capitol region for nearly 70 years, it conducts extensive outreach, educational and public engagement projects. It is the only local arts organization to maintain a residency of artists as well as maintaining a respected conservatory of dance — School of Sacramento Ballet — enabling it to deliver world class programming for the community. A 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, it is funded by individual donations, corporate, foundation and government support. For more information visit www.sacballet.org.

ABOUT SACRAMENTO BALLET'S SECOND COMPANY

Under the direction of acclaimed dancer and respected instructor Jill Krutzkamp, Sacramento Ballet's newly formed Second Company launches this season. Second Company is the umbrella company for Trainee Project and SB2 — a select group of six featured dancers. A proving ground for pre-professional training, distinctive programming and repertoire will be specially selected and choreographed for them. Twenty Classically trained, aspiring artists who auditioned to join Second Company will regularly perform with the company, while they train and hone their skills for careers with major dance companies. Sacramento Ballet's respected reputation for professional career development is attracting young dancers from across the U.S. and California. Second Company aims to inspire expanded audiences with the passion and drive of these young dancers as they grow and gain the skills and confidence necessary for a life career in dance.

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