

SACRAMENTO BALLET
2026/27 SEASON
LEGACY IN MOTION

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Sacramento Ballet Announces 2026/27 Season: Legacy in Motion

New Artistic Director Tiit Helimets to Lead Company into a New Era

SACRAMENTO, CA — Sacramento Ballet is proud to announce its 2026/27 Season, *Legacy in Motion* — a season that celebrates the company's rich history while embracing an exciting step into the future.

This season marks a pivotal moment for Sacramento Ballet as the company welcomes new artistic leadership and continues to build on the legacy that has shaped ballet in the region for generations. The company is especially proud to introduce Tiit Helimets as its new Artistic Director, whose distinguished international career and artistic vision will guide Sacramento Ballet into its next chapter.

"*Legacy in Motion*" reflects both where we've been and where we're going; honoring the artists, audiences, and traditions that have defined us, while embracing new perspectives and creative possibilities.

2026/27 Season Highlights

Long and Winding Road | October 23–25, 2026 | The Sofia

A dynamic mixed repertory program featuring Stanton Welch's neoclassical work set to baroque-inspired Beatles arrangements, alongside a Balanchine piece (to be announced) and a legacy work honoring the late Ron Cunningham.

Nutcracker | December 12–24, 2026 | SAFE Credit Union Performing Arts Center

Sacramento's beloved holiday tradition returns with an extended performance run through Christmas Eve, featuring a sensory-friendly performance, over 250 local children, and Tchaikovsky's iconic score performed live by the Sacramento Philharmonic & Opera.

Wild Sweet Love | March 5–7, 2027 | The Sofia

An energetic and heartfelt program including Julia Feldman's *Hearts*, the 20th anniversary of Trey McIntyre's *Wild Sweet Love*, and a new work selected by Artistic Director Tiit Helimets.

Giselle | April 9–11, 2027 | SAFE Credit Union Performing Arts Center

A timeless romantic classic, celebrated for its haunting beauty, emotional depth, and unforgettable imagery, with live accompaniment from the Sacramento Philharmonic & Opera.

Beer & Ballet | May 27–30, 2027 | The Sofia

A lively audience favorite featuring original works by company artists, celebrating creativity, innovation, and the future of dance.

Growing Impact Beyond the Stage

Sacramento Ballet is expanding its community impact through growing school programs and the launch of a new satellite campus, ensuring that ballet remains accessible to students across the region. The company is also reimagining its community engagement efforts to deepen its connection with audiences throughout the Sacramento area.

Tickets and full season details are available at sacballet.org

We invite you to join us for an extraordinary season, and experience the power, beauty, and artistry of live dance.

About Sacramento Ballet

Since 1954, Sacramento Ballet has been a beacon of artistic excellence in the California Capital Region, delivering world-class dance performances, education, and community outreach programs. A cornerstone of Sacramento's cultural community, its mission is to enhance the human condition through dance and to make it accessible to everyone.

As the region's only dance company to maintain a roster of professional dance artists, Sacramento Ballet captivates thousands of patrons each year with its enthralling performances and community outreach events. Unique among local arts organizations, Sacramento Ballet welcomes internationally renowned dancers and choreographers to live and create groundbreaking artistic works right here in our beautiful city, and serves as a representative of California's thriving cultural scene on national and international stages.

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