

# Ballet

## UNDER THE STARS

ROBERT MILLS, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

OKLAHOMA  
CITY  
BALLET

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# OKLAHOMA CITY BALLET

## ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

Robert Mills

## *Rehearsal Directors*

Ryan Jolicoeur-Nye   Miki Kawamura Khalfan

## *Principal Dancers*

Courtney Connor Jones   DaYoung Jung

## *Soloist Dancers*

Nikolas Gaifullin   Alejandro González   Autumn Klein  
Mayu Odaka   Benjamin Tucker

## *Corps de Ballet Dancers*

Ryland Acree, Kara Troester Blythe, Mickayla Carr, Daniel Cooke,  
Randolph Fernandez, Joseph Hetzer, Sam Jones, Nicholas Keeperman,  
Gabrielle Mengden, Allison Ramoran, Paige Russell, Alexandra Schooling,  
Mayim Stiller, Erik Thordal-Christensen, Zane Winders

## *Apprentices*

Oslaniel Costillo, Elena Damiani, James Klump, Kaileah Long,  
Grace Manuel, Henrique Neumann, Carlie Preskitt

## *OKCB II (Second Year)*

Chloe Beckinsale, Savannah Lee, Samantha Efaw, Caitlin Rogers,  
Olivia Scott, Anna Tateda, Caroline Young

## *OKCB II (First Year)*

Leah Reiter, Maura Moody, Flannery Werner, Amelia Aroneo, Savannah Payne

## *Trainees*

Nicole Bak, Eva Chronert, Morgan Dunham, Samantha Dunham, Jacy Fletcher,  
Stephanie Frase, Abby Quinton, Cheyanne Rowland, Bella Saclolo,  
Katie Kelley, Sarah Beth Wriston, Alexandra Veronese-Milin, Caterina Brown,  
Anya Matejczyk, Dietrich Klawonn, Freestone Dopp, Michael O'Neill, Tristan Thompson

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**OCT. 22-24**

SEPTIME WEBRE'S

***ALICE***  
(in wonderland)

**DEC. 11-19**

***The Nutcracker***  
PRESENTED BY DEVON ENERGY

**FEB. 18-20**

***Made in the U.S.A.***

**MAY 6-8**

***The Sleeping Beauty***



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**OKLAHOMA CITY BALLET**  
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Jo Lynne Jones

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*Box Office Manager* Justin Seal

*Development Manager* Charlie Ludden

*Development Assistant* Rurie Dobson

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*Operations Manager* John Kimbrell

*Human Resources Administrator* Sheila Lawrence

*Executive Assistant & Board Liaison* Kallie Olson

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

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*Community Engagement & Social Media Manager* Stephanie Pitts

*Education Coordinator* Erica Portell

*Teaching Artists* Macaira Pinto, Erica Portell, Amber Robinson, James Williams

**COMPANY & PRODUCTION**

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*Director of Production* Stephanie Aaron

*Technical Director* Emily Murphy

*Stage Manager* Courtney DiBello

*Resident Lighting Designer* Aaron Mooney

*Company Teachers* Bruce Steivel

*Company Pianists* Karen Bentley, Clement Braden, Miho Fisher

*Company Physician* Dr. Megan Meier

*Company Physical Therapist* Dr. Emily Love, Turning Pointe Physical Therapy

*Company Chiropractor* Dr. Mila Mohsenzadeh, Fit Spa

*Photography* Jana Carson, Kate Luber, Shevaun Williams

*Performance Photography* Diana Bittle, Jana Carson, Kate Luber

*Videographers* Liquid Media, Scissortail Media

# THE OKLAHOMA CITY BALLET YVONNE CHOUTEAU SCHOOL

## SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Racheal Nye

## STAFF

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**School Administrator** Macaira Pinto

**Studio Company Manager** Amanda Herd-Popejoy

**School Administrative Associate** Kaitlin Alter

**School Coordinator** Emma Capen

**School Receptionist** Quincy Allen, Morgan Dunham, Brannon Tallant

## INSTRUCTORS

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Kaitlin Alter, Victoria Bearden, Joshua Brooksher, Natasha Brooksher, Morgan Dunham, Alejandro González, Amanda Herd-Popejoy, Joseph Hetzer, Chloe Jenson, Ryan Jolicoeur-Nye, Miki Kawamura Khalfan, Racheal Nye, Macaira Pinto, Erica Portell, Madeleine Purcell, Jacob Sparso, Bruce Steivel, James Williams

THE YVONNE CHOUTEAU  
SCHOOL

OKLAHOMA  
CITY  
BALLET

2021/22

# Fall

AGES 3+ | SEPT. 7 - DEC. 17



*Registration is open*

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OKLAHOMA CITY BALLET

*Act III Pas de Deux*

# DON QUIXOTE

**CHOREOGRAPHY**

Marius Petipa

**COMPOSER**

Ludwig Minkus

**STAGED BY**

Ryan Jolicoeur-Nye

**COSTUMES**

Courtesy of Nikolas Gaifullin

**REHEARSAL DIRECTORS**

Ryan Jolicoeur-Nye  
Miki Kawamura Khalfan

**DANCERS**

DaYoung Jung & Nikolas Gaifullin

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OKLAHOMA CITY BALLET YVONNE CHOUTEAU SCHOOL

# STRAUSS SUITE

**CHOREOGRAPHY**

Racheal Nye

**MUSIC BY**

Richard G. Strauss

**DANCERS**

Matthew Anderson, Isabella Assante, Talitha Barrington, Carson Berry,  
Avery Chandler, Julien DeJear, Abigail Forbes, Helen Jardon, William Poole,  
Lily Quinton, Annabelle Terada, Briar Vold, Moira Kate Werner

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OKLAHOMA CITY BALLET

*Act II Pas de Deux*

# SWAN LAKE

**CHOREOGRAPHY**

After Lev Ivanov

**COMPOSER**

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

**MUSIC**

“Swan Lake, Op. 20”

**COSTUMES**

Courtesy of  
Atlanta Ballet

**STAGED BY**

Ryan Jolicoeur-Nye

**REHEARSAL DIRECTORS**

Ryan Jolicoeur-Nye &  
Miki Kawamura Khalfan

**DANCERS**

Kara Troester Blythe & Mayim Stiller

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OKLAHOMA CITY BALLET TRAINEES

# FRANKLY, MY DEAR

**CHOREOGRAPHY**

Amanda Herd-Popejoy

**MUSIC**

“That’s Life” by Frank Sinatra

**DANCERS**

Nicole Bak, Caterina Brown, Eva Chronert, Morgan Dunham,  
Samantha Dunham, Stephanie Frase, Katie Kelley, Anya Matejczyk,  
Abby Quinton, Cheyanne Rowland, Bella Saclolo,  
Alexandra Veronese-Milin, Sarah Beth Wriston, Freestone Dopp,  
Dietrich Klawonn, Micheal O’Neal, Tristan Thompson

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# VIVA VIVALDI

**STAGED BY**

Glenn Edgerton

**COSTUME DESIGN**

Peter Anthony

**REHEARSAL ASSISTANT**

Jan Fugit

**MUSIC**

“Concerto in D-Major for Violin, Strings, and Cembalo,  
Pincherle 151” by Antonio Vivaldi

**DANCERS**

Darcey Lynn, Jessica Lynn, Alayna Wong, Ana Vega, Eliza Harden,  
Anna Huffman, Annie Medich, Allison Ansinn, Stephanie Eggers

The performance of “Viva Vivaldi”, a Gerald Arpino ballet, is presented with the permission of The Gerald Arpino Foundation and has been produced in accordance with the Foundation service standards established and provided by the Foundation. World premiere at Central Park Delacorte Theater, September 1965.

Costumes courtesy of the Joffrey Ballet, Ashley C. Wheeler, Artistic Director

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## SPECIAL THANKS

to Michael Bearden and the University of Oklahoma  
School of Dance for their partnership with  
Oklahoma City Ballet.

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# NEW MAKE, NEW MODEL

## CHOREOGRAPHY

Rena Butler

in collaboration with the dancers

## COMPOSER

Daryl Joseph

## REHEARSAL DIRECTOR

Roxanne Lyst

Text from Plato's *The Republic: Book VII, Allegory of The Cave*

Text from Abraham Lincoln's House Divided Speech from The Republican Convention in 1858, translated and spoken by Abdiel Figueroa Reyes, Connie Shiau, Mitza, Rena Butler, Jessica Tong

## DANCERS

Lexi Conley, Keeleigh Everett, Hannah Golden,  
J'aime Griffith, Riley Henderson, McKinlea Kear, Emma Lozano,  
Keyveontae Martin, Bethely Ruble, Hunter Sheehan,  
Brooke Strachan, Alexis Tella, Brittany Vahalik, Sarah Westbrook

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## OKLAHOMA CITY BALLET

*Bluebird Pas de Deux*

# THE SLEEPING BEAUTY

## CHOREOGRAPHY

After Marius Petipa

## COMPOSER

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

## STAGED BY

Miki Kawamura Khalfan

## MUSIC

"The Sleeping Beauty, Op 66,  
Act III, No. 24 - Bluebird"

## COSTUMES

Courtesy of  
Atlanta Ballet

## REHEARSAL DIRECTORS

Ryan Jolicoeur-Nye &  
Miki Kawamura Khalfan

## DANCERS

Mayu Odaka & Alejandro González

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OKLAHOMA CITY BALLET

# ROMEO & JULIET

**CHOREOGRAPHY**

Robert Mills

**MUSIC**

Sergei Prokofiev

**COSTUMES**

Courtesy of University of Oklahoma Dance Department

**DANCERS**

Autumn Klein & Erik Thordal-Christensen

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OKLAHOMA CITY BALLET PRESENTS

# DISSIPATION

**CHOREOGRAPHY**

DaYoung Jung

**MUSIC**

“I’m Going to Make a Cake” by Philip Glass & Sicilienne from  
“Concerto in D Minor, BMV 596” by Khatia Buniatishvili  
“Tales from the Loop” by Philip Glass and Leonard Morgan

**DANCERS**

Kara Troester Blythe, Mickayla Carr, Nikolas Gaifullin,  
Alejandro González, Grace Manuel, Mayu Odaka, Paige Russell,  
Alexandra Schooling, Erik Thordal-Christensen

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