

Student choreographers debut works with Michigan Classic Ballet



Back to School: Choreographed by Renee Grammatico to the music of Count Basie.

Michigan Classic Ballet Company will perform today and tomorrow at the Dancing into the New Millennium Regional Dance America Festival at the Wharton Center for the Performing Arts in East Lansing. The

company will premier two ballets by local choreographers Kirsten Haglund of Farmington Hills and Renee Grammatico of Ann Arbor.

Michigan Classic Ballet, founded in 1989 by Mary Celeste Geiger, is a national association of non-profit dance companies that provides networking, educational and performing opportunities to artistic directors, choreographers and dancers.

Each year, Regional Dance America presents the region's best new works to be performed at one of 10 festivals across the U. S. Dances for the Midstates regional festival were selected by Alan Jones, artistic director of the Louisville Civic Ballet. Jones toured the 12-member ballet companies, viewed a variety of dances and selected works for the dance festival that are interesting, varied and artistic, bearing in mind differing styles of choreography, music and costumes.

Jubilee was choreographed to the music of Johannes Brahms by Kirsten Haglund, a 12-year-old student at MCBC's affiliated school, the Geiger Classic Ballet Academy.

Jones said of Jubilee, "This is an excellent first choreography, and Kirsten's choice of music is impressive (and brave). She is always musical, and the young dancers did justice to the choreography."

Haglund's ballet will be performed by Michigan Classic Ballet's senior and junior company members on Thursday evening's Emerging Choreography Concert.

Renee Grammatico, former

member of the Peter Sparling Dance Company in Ann Arbor, choreographed Back to School, to music by Count Basie, "an amusing ballet that is quite different from anything else I have seen on this tour," said Jones.

Back to School was chosen for Friday evening's Festival Concert at Wharton Center and is open to the public.

During its regular season, MCBC offers a performance outlet for pre-professional artists while providing full-length ballet productions. Call Pat at (248) 334-1300.



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FARMINGTON CLUB CIRCUIT

EXCHANGE CLUB

The Farmington Exchange Club will meet from noon to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 23, at the Brass Point Restaurant in Farmington Hills.

OWL

The Older Women's League will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, June 4 at the downtown Farmington Library. James O'Keefe, CSA, who works to meet changing senior needs, will be the guest speaker.

REPUBLICAN WOMEN

The Suburban Republican Women's Club will meet at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 24 at the Hick-a-Bone Restaurant in Livonia. Speakers will be Lorraine Cori, President of the Republican Women's Federation of Michigan and Madhu Anderson, Director of Michigan's New Center for Education Performance and Education. For reservations call (481) 324-1660.

EMBROIDERERS

The Farmington Hills Embroiders Guild will meet at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 6 at Faith Covenant Church in Farmington Hills. Call 926-0899.

MILLION MOMS

The Million Moms Group will meet from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, May 22 in Farmington. Director of Public Safety-Farmington Police Department, Gary Goss, will address the members of the MMM Oakland and Western Wayne County Chapter, a non-partisan, grassroots group that views the current debate on gun control as a health and safety issue for our children. Call (248) 368-1792.

BNI

The Business Network International, Farmington Hills chapter, will meet 7-8:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 23, at the Grand Cafe in downtown Farmington.

OPTIMIST CLUB

The Optimist Club meets at 7:30 a.m. every Wednesday at Anita's Kitchen, 31005 Orchard Lake Road. Call 474-9680 or 442-9796.

KIWANIS CLUB

The Kiwanis Club of Farmington Hills meets at 12:15 p.m. every second and fourth Tuesday at the Steak & Ale Restaurant, 27690 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills. Prospective members are welcome. Call 661-8463.

TOASTMASTERS

The Windbaggers/Toastmasters Club meets 6:30-8:30 p.m. every Thursday, except the first Thursday of the month, at Kirby's Koney Island, 21200 Haggerty, in Farmington Hills.

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Miss Farmington prepares for state pageant

Miss Farmington/ Oakland County Angela Corsi is preparing for the Miss Michigan pageant in Muskegon June 14-16.

Her platform, A Carousel of Cultures, advocates a strong belief in the importance of diversity in schools and community.

As a representative on the Farmington/ Farmington Hills Multicultural, Multiracial Community Council, she has played an active role in the swearing-in ceremony for new citizens, participated in a heritage festival and other programs.

She's been active with the

Multi-Racial Unity Living Experience, hosting speakers, forums and community service projects and trips related to diversity.

Since being crowned last June Corsi has marched in the Family Fest parade, attended a chamber of commerce picnic, completed freshman year at MSU, performed in the Miss Lake Huron Shores pageant and participated in a Meet Santa at Canterbury Village program.

Habit build program

This month, Corsi will assist in a Habitat for Humanity Women's Build program.



Angela Corsi

During her reign, she received the Rainbow Recognition Award and has been nominated for the Rising Business Woman. She's the daughter of Louis and Penny Corsi of Farmington Hills.

Farmington Area Dance Day postponed

The Farmington Area Dance Day planned May 19 for Harrison High School has been postponed until the fall. The first

annual program, co-sponsored by the Farmington Area Arts Commission and Farmington Public Schools, was to feature

both workshops and performances open to the public. A new date will be announced in September.

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