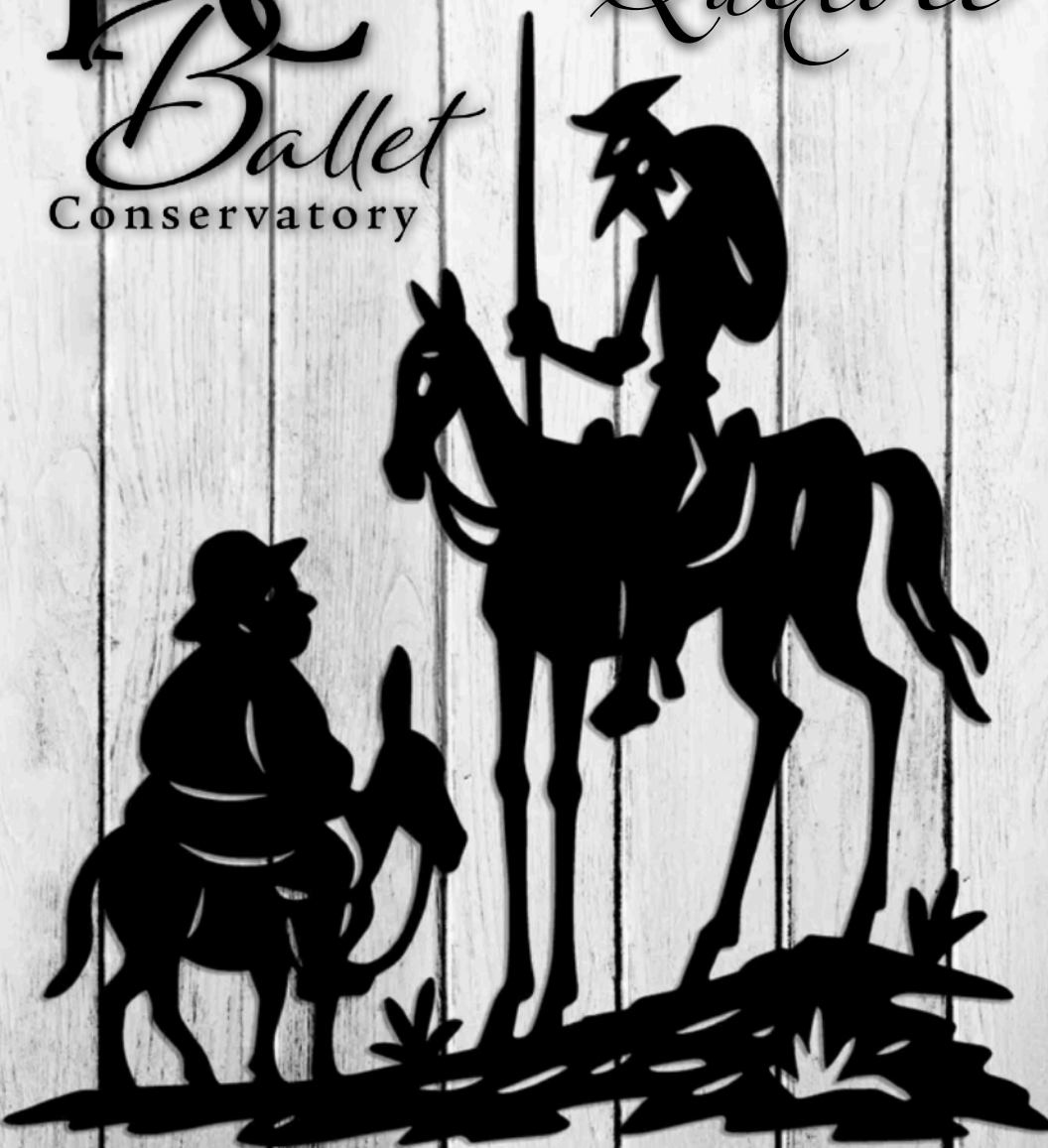


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Don Quixote



Artistic Directors
Vanessa Haidar & Rolando Sarabia

PENNSYLVANIA BALLET
CONSERVATORY

Presents

DON
QUIXOTE

MAY 24, 2025
BALDWIN HIGH SCHOOL THEATER

A MESSAGE FROM THE ARTISTIC DIRECTORS

The first time Pennsylvania Ballet Conservatory presented Don Quixote was during the twilight hours of the pandemic. Vanessa wrote then about the gratitude she felt for the opportunity and ability of the school to create an expressive work of beauty under such incredibly difficult circumstances.

This year, the world is in a very different place, yet we find ourselves in a similar frame of mind. We are so proud of the students, staff, and volunteers for their dedication and commitment, and we are grateful for them and the support of all their families. Together, we present another exceptional performance of artistry for audiences to experience and enjoy.

The story of Don Quixote and his enthusiasm for chivalry and romance reminds us to embrace life, find love, drink up all the beauty that surrounds us, dare to dream, and go adventuring.

Thank you for coming to this year's production of Don Quixote and for supporting Pennsylvania Ballet Conservatory. We look forward to another wonderful summer, and we hope to see you again this winter for our annual presentation of The Nutcracker!

~ Vanessa & Rolando



ABOUT

PENNSYLVANIA BALLET CONSERVATORY



Pennsylvania Ballet Conservatory is a classical ballet school located in Peters Township. Founded in August 2018, our mission is to provide high-quality ballet instruction in a professional and nurturing environment. We are dedicated to fostering the artistic growth and personal development of each student. Through disciplined training, technical precision, and a commitment to excellence, we aim to inspire a lifelong love of dance and empower our students with the skills and confidence to achieve their fullest potential.

We offer a wide portfolio of classes for ages 3 and up, from Ballet Beginnings to Pre-Professional as well as adult classes, programs designed for athletes, and our cherished Ballet Abilities. An early dismissal program is available to high school students; created to train those who wish to pursue a career in dance.

For more information please visit the studio, check out our website at pennballet.com, email info@pennballet.com or call us at (724) 747-8943.



ABOUT

DON QUIXOTE



Don Quixote, the ballet, is based on episodes borrowed from the world famous novel, *Don Quixote de la Mancha* by Miguel de Cervantes. Originally choreographed by Marius Petipa and scored by Ludwig Minkus, this ballet was first presented by the Ballet of the Imperial Bolshoi Theatre of Moscow, Russia, in December 1869. Originally 3 acts, it was later expanded to a marathon 5 acts and 11 scenes!

Most modern productions of the ballet derive from a version staged by Alexander Gorsky for the Bolshoi Theatre of Moscow in the early 1900s.



DON QUIXOTE SYNOPSIS

ACT I



Scene I - Don Quixote's House

After reading books on chivalry, Don Quixote falls asleep and dreams of being a knight. In his dream, he defends his ideal woman, Dulcinea. Once awake, Don Quixote is inspired to begin an adventure with his squire, Sancho Panza.



Scene II - Town Plaza

In the town plaza, a festival of dancing is taking place. Lorenzo's daughter, Kitri, is in love with Basilio, the barber. However, Lorenzo has plans for her to marry a wealthy nobleman, Gamache. Don Quixote and Sancho Panza arrive in the plaza, causing a great commotion. Don Quixote notices Kitri, and wonders if he has found his Dulcinea. In the middle of the festivities, Kitri and Basilio, aided by their friends, sneak off. They are followed by Don Quixote and Sancho Panza and are pursued later by Gamache and Lorenzo.





INTERMISSION

Treats & Bottled Water Available for Purchase in the Lobby



Please check out our raffle baskets in the lobby!

Raffle tickets will be pulled after intermission at the 1pm show. You do not need to be present to win.



ACT II



Scene I - Gypsy Camp

Kitri and Basilio dance in a seemingly abandoned camp and are interrupted by friendly gypsies, who are curious about the pair. The gypsies want to help the couple and try to protect them when Lorenzo and Gamache arrive. During the turmoil, Lorzeno tries to take Kitri. Don Quixote defends against a nearby windmill, thinking it is a giant. After being struck by the windmill, Don Quixote collapses into a deep sleep.



Scene II - The Dream

Falling asleep, Don Quixote has an enchanted dream of beautiful maidens, dryads, and his beloved Dulcinea.



INTERLUDE



ACT III



Scene I - The Wedding

Back in the plaza, everyone is getting ready for the wedding of Kitri and Gamache. Basilio interrupts the ceremony and tries to stop the wedding by pretending to die. With the help of Don Quixote and their friends, they convince Lorenzo to support the love and marriage of Kitri and Basilio, as that was Basilio's final wish. When Lorenzo consents to Kitri's marriage to Basilio, Basilio instantly comes back to life! The happy couple gets married with Don Quixote as the guest of honor. He congratulates the couple, bids them a warm farewell, and resumes adventuring with his faithful squire.



CAST

	<i>May 24, 10am</i>	<i>May 24, 1pm</i>
<i>Kitri</i>	Vera Mitchell	Adien Carmichael
<i>Basilio</i> <i>a barber</i>	Rolando Sarabia	Rolando Sarabia
<i>Don Quixote</i> <i>an errant knight</i>	Will Damon	Will Damon
<i>Sancho Panza</i> <i>his squire</i>	Lindsey Damon	Lindsey Damon
<i>Friends to Kitri</i> <i>Juanita</i>	Hannah Damon	Mariah Strnisha
<i>Piccila</i>	Sydney Duda	Ella Way
<i>Gamache</i> <i>a wealthy nobleman</i>	Hansel Correa	Hansel Correa
<i>Lorenzo</i> <i>Kitri's father</i>	Aleksandar Zankin	Aleksandar Zankin
<i>Espada</i>	Diego Martinez Haidar	Diego Martinez Haidar
<i>Mercedes</i>	Ella Way	Abby Thomas



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<i>Majas</i>	Lyra Halloran Mary Hospodar Madison Norton Scarlett Pruemer Addison Ward	Lyra Halloran Mary Hospodar Madison Norton Scarlett Pruemer Addison Ward
<i>Seguidilla Lead</i>	Eve Snyder	Hannah Damon
<i>Seguidilla Corps</i>	Harvey Goodman Grace Mychalishyn Emilija Wardzala	Harvey Goodman Grace Mychalishyn Emilija Wardzala
<i>Town Girls</i>	Verena Belldina Aryanna Bradley Sienna Cuneo Charlotte Foltin Geneva Hinton Caitlyn Seibert Lena Welsch Mia Winovich Evangeline Williams	Verena Belldina Aryanna Bradley Sienna Cuneo Charlotte Foltin Geneva Hinton Caitlyn Seibert Lena Welsch Mia Winovich Evangeline Williams



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<i>Sancho's Friends</i>	Harper Mahoney Grace Sinnamond Lucia Szuminsky Emmeline Wheeler	Harper Mahoney Grace Sinnamond Lucia Szuminsky Emmeline Wheeler
<i>Town Kids</i>	Lilliana Babik Petronilla Babik Rosalina Babik Lola Goodman Lucy Mahoney	Lilliana Babik Petronilla Babik Rosalina Babik Lola Goodman Lucy Mahoney
<i>Gypsy Pas de Deux</i>	Eve Snyder Diego Martinez Haidar	Odessa Bjornson Diego Martinez Haidar
<i>Young Gypsies</i>	Harvey Goodman Grace Mychalishyn Emilija Wardzala	Harvey Goodman Grace Mychalishyn Emilija Wardzala



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<i>Gypsies</i>	Lyra Halloran Mary Hospodar Madison Norton Scarlett Pruemer Addison Ward	Lyra Halloran Mary Hospodar Madison Norton Scarlett Pruemer Addison Ward
<i>Gypsy Children</i>	Verena Belldina Aryanna Bradley Siena Cuneo Charlotte Foltin Geneva Hinton Caitlyn Seibert Lena Welsch Mia Winovich Evangeline Williams	Verena Belldina Aryanna Bradley Siena Cuneo Charlotte Foltin Geneva Hinton Caitlyn Seibert Lena Welsch Mia Winovich Evangeline Williams



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<i>Amour</i>	Adien Carmichael	Sydney Duda
<i>Dulcinea</i>	Abby Thomas	Vera Mitchell
<i>Queen of the Dryads</i>	Mariah Strnisha	Ella Way
<i>Dryads</i>	Odessa Bjornson Hannah Damon Sydney Duda Grace Mychalishyn Eve Snyder Caden Stover Emilija Wardzala Ella Way	Odessa Bjornson Hannah Damon Grace Mychalishyn Eve Snyder Caden Stover Mariah Strnisha Abby Thomas Emilija Wardzala
<i>Young Dryads</i>	Lyra Halloran Mary Hospodar Madison Norton Scarlett Pruemer Addison Ward	Lyra Halloran Mary Hospodar Madison Norton Scarlett Pruemer Addison Ward



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<i>Amour Corps</i>	Verena Belldina Aryanna Bradley Sienna Cuneo Charlotte Foltin Geneva Hinton Caitlyn Seibert Lena Welsch Mia Winovich Evangeline Williams	Verena Belldina Aryanna Bradley Sienna Cuneo Charlotte Foltin Geneva Hinton Caitlyn Seibert Lena Welsch Mia Winovich Evangeline Williams
<i>Little Cupids</i>	Lilliana Babik Petronilla Babik Rosalina Babik Lola Goodman Harper Mahoney Lucy Mahoney Grace Sinnamond Lucia Szuminsky Emmeline Wheeler	Lilliana Babik Petronilla Babik Rosalina Babik Lola Goodman Harper Mahoney Lucy Mahoney Grace Sinnamond Lucia Szuminsky Emmeline Wheeler



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<i>Bridesmaids Variations</i>		
<i>First Variation</i>	Hannah Damon	Mariah Strnisha
<i>Second Variation</i>	Sydney Duda	Eve Snyder
<i>Third Variation</i>	Odessa Bjornson	Odessa Bjornson
<i>Two Flower Girls</i>	Grace Mychalyshin Emilija Wardzala	Grace Mychalyshin Emilija Wardzala
<i>Flower Girls</i>	Harper Mahoney Grace Sinnamond Lucia Szuminsky Emmeline Wheeler	Harper Mahoney Grace Sinnamond Lucia Szuminsky Emmeline Wheeler
<i>Little Flower Girls</i>	Lilliana Babik Petronilla Babik Rosalina Babik Lola Goodman Lucy Mahoney	Lilliana Babik Petronilla Babik Rosalina Babik Lola Goodman Lucy Mahoney



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<i>Fandango Lead</i>	Hannah Damon	Hannah Damon
<i>Fandango Corps</i>	Lyra Halloran	Lyra Halloran
	Mary Hospodar	Mary Hospodar
	Grace Mychalyshin	Grace Mychalyshin
	Madison Norton	Madison Norton
	Scarlett Pruemer	Scarlett Pruemer
	Addison Ward	Addison Ward
	Emilija Wardzala	Emilija Wardzala
<i>Grand Pas</i>	Odessa Bjornson	Odessa Bjornson
	Hannah Damon	Hannah Damon
	Eve Snyder	Eve Snyder
	Mariah Strnisha	Mariah Strnisha
	Abby Thomas	Abby Thomas
	Ella Way	Ella Way





THANK YOU

We are so grateful for the opportunity to have shared our interpretation of Don Quixote with you. We hope you enjoyed the show.

We wish to thank the staff of Baldwin High School Theater for once again working with us to put on another great production.

We look forward to a great summer, and we can't wait to present more amazing ballet experiences with you soon.

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