



# the pointe! news from berkeley ballet theater

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## ANNUAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS ANNOUNCED

Each year, BBT's artistic staff selects a few students to be recognized for the quality of their dance study. They are awarded a small stipend which we hope serves to inspire them to continue working at the high level they have established for themselves. Criteria for Merit Scholarships include attendance, focus and attention, talent, and consistent effort over time. These students exemplify the best of what we hope BBT dancers will be and are excellent role models for their peers. Please join us in congratulating them and keep an eye on their excellent work in class and on stage:

### Level 7

*Lauren Alpert*  
*Valerie Balcom*  
*Cecily Khuner*  
*Tessaly Jen*

### Level 6

*Christina Larson*

### Level 5

*Anna Taberski*

### Level 4

*Noelle Fa-Kaji*  
*Christopher Warhuus*

\*Donations to the BBT Scholarship Fund are always gratefully appreciated and are fully tax-deductible.



## E-BBT

We are in the process of creating new Yahoo groups in order to improve our communications with you. Please take a moment to add us into

your Address Book so that messages from BBT will not be considered Spam by your e-mail program:

[berkeleyballet@yahoo.com](mailto:berkeleyballet@yahoo.com)

## BBT STUDENTS AT BERKELEY OPERA

Cecily Khuner, student in BBT's Level 7, choreographed and performed in Berkeley Opera's production of Giuseppe Verdi's "Falstaff," performed January 28-February 5 at the Julia Morgan Theater. Her dancers included Leslie Simon and Emily Tsaconas from Level 6, and her sister Charlotte Khuner, from Level 3A, appeared as a fairy. The Khuner family enterprise also included her parents: Jillian sang the role of Alice Ford and Jonathan is Berkeley Opera's Conductor and Artistic Director. Bravo to all!

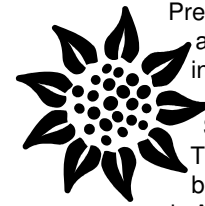
## MARCH 19TH PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP SHOW

Graciella Acedo has been working with students in Levels 3B, 4, and 5 to prepare dances for a performance on March 19th at 6 PM at the Julia Morgan Center. They will perform a varied program including classical and modern works, a pas de deux, and variations. A suggested \$5 donation will be collected at the door. Come see our young students shine!

## YOUTH COMPANY APPEARS WITH JUNIOR BACH ASSOCIATION

Twice on Saturday March 25th, at 3 and 7:30 PM, members of the Berkeley Ballet Theater Youth Company will perform Sonya Delwaide's "Badinerie" at St. John's Church on College Avenue near our school. They will be accompanied by the Junior Bach Association, playing J.S. Bach's Suite #2 in B Minor for chamber orchestra. The Junior Bach Association will also perform several non-danced works. This is a wonderful opportunity for our dancers to work with live music, and promises to be a memorable event for audiences, too. Tickets are \$12 general, \$7 students/seniors, and may be purchased through [Juniorbach.org](http://Juniorbach.org).

## BERKELEY BALLET THEATER SUMMER WORKSHOPS 2006



Pre-ballet through advanced students are invited to participate in BBT's 21st annual Summer Workshops. The full six-week session begins June 26th and ends August 4th; students

may alternatively choose to do a shorter 3-week schedule (either 6/26-7/14 or 7/17-8/4). Attending a summer workshop allows a student to concentrate on dance training without the pressure of academic studies, thus creating the opportunity to make significant progress in a relatively short period of time. Please return your application forms as soon as possible to guarantee space availability.

## BBT'S FOUNTAIN OF TALENT WILL FLOW AT FUNRAISER

By now we hope you are all planning to attend our 2nd annual FunRaiser in Studio A at 6 PM on Saturday March 11th. Like a vaudeville show, the talent show will include a huge variety of non-ballet genres from classical cello to hip-hop dancing! There will also be pizza for dinner and a fabulous silent auction. This event is a wonderful community-building opportunity: families from each level are working together to create enticing themed baskets for the auction, and the evening itself allows for socializing and deepened connection. Please come.



### Details:

\$15 adults/\$7.50 students  
5:30 doors open