

WINNIPEG BALLET

ANNUAL REPORT 2015/2016

MISSION

The Royal Winnipeg Ballet enriches the human experience by teaching, creating, and performing outstanding dance.

VISION

The Royal Winnipeg Ballet will be embraced in Winnipeg and beyond. We will be seen as ambassadors for dance, for our city, our province, and our country. Our work will reflect passion, exuberance, honesty, excellence, and integrity. We will take our place among the premiere dance companies of the world. 2015/16 has been an inspiring season at Canada's Royal Winnipeg Ballet with a wide array of works and tours that continue to reach audiences locally, nationally and internationally.

We believe engaging with our community is just as important as the artistry of our performances. Giving back is part of what makes the RWB an advocate for social change on the world stage. Our mission to invest in our community also benefits the Company and both our Recreational and Professional Divisions. The skill sets and values of our students go far beyond the stage.

The RWB has enjoyed successes and endured some losses, as well. As the New Year approaches, we choose to embrace the challenges we face together, and endeavour to make positive changes where we can. As an organization, we are stronger together; the Company, and Professional and Recreational Divisions are each distinct entities, but nevertheless interact and overlap on a daily basis. This is mutually beneficial for all, and in fact, this kind of collaboration is quite unique in North America among dance companies and schools.

PD and RD students crowd the observation deck to watch the Company rehearsing, and every year, students in both divisions are on stage with the Company in Nutcracker. Our post-secondary Aspirant Program works closely with the Company and provides talent for our full-length shows, such as *Nutcracker* and *Giselle*.

All three units are involved in spreading the art form outside these walls, to the communities in Winnipeg, as well as the country and beyond, through performances, - locally, and on tour locally and internationally, master classes during the PD audition tour, and the RD Satellite Programs in rural Manitoba, among others.

The RWB sincerely thanks our government partners, funders, and many sponsors, corporate partners, donors, subscribers and ticket buyers, whose generosity and support has allowed us to exist and continue to grow over the years. Our heartfelt thanks to you for being the inspiration which drives the RWB to constantly grow and develop.





David Reid Chair RWB Board of Directors





The 2015/16 season was one in which the Canada's Royal Winnipeg Ballet presented beloved classic story-length ballets, along with works by new and emerging choreographers. Our 76th season opened with the hauntingly beautiful classic *Giselle* and featured the return of worldrenowned ballerina, Evelyn Hart. In November, the RWB presented the Winnipeg debut of the acclaimed *Paul Taylor Dance Company*, and continued this exciting season with the holiday classic *Nutcracker*, followed by Val Caniparoli's *A Cinderella Story*. Our season closed in the spring with the high-flying adventure, *Peter Pan*, the gravity-defying ballet choreographed by former RWB Principal Dancer, Jorden Morris. And for the second year in a row, the RWB was pleased to include *Spotlight*, the School's Professional Division year-end performances, and *Q Dance*, featuring dancers from the RWB Company, as part of our subscriber season.

In October 2015, the RWB toured Europe with *Moulin Rouge®-The Ballet*, traveling to Ludwigsburg, Schweinfurt, Friedrichshafen and Bonn, Germany; Rotterdam and Venlo in the Netherlands; and Rome, Italy. The tour marked almost twenty years since the Company performed on the Continent. Over 16,000 audience members attended a total of twenty performances, with sold-out shows in Bonn and Rome, increasing the number of more than 100,000 people who have seen *Moulin Rouge®* - *The Ballet*. The holiday favourite *Nutcracker* it was performed in the National Arts Centre in Ottawa from December 2-6, with almost sold out performances every night.

Going Home Star - Truth and Reconciliation toured in seven cities in Canada during 2016. This much-anticipated tour was made possible by national tour presenting sponsor, TD Bank Group.

Produced with the support of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (TRC), this ballet explores one of the darkest chapters of Canadian history, the indian Residential School System. The full length ballet, has been cited as perhaps "the most important work produced by the RWB in its 75-year history" (Winnipeg Free Press). The Company was honoured to have the opportunity to engage with local Aboriginal communities and survivors in each city on the tour; their personal stories and their grace and endurance had a profound effect on the RWB. Local Elders, drummers and Health Support Workers were present at performances and tickets were provided to Residential School survivors throughout the tour. Interactive media displays, provided by the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation, were displayed in theatre lobbies. This critically acclaimed work received positive support and feedback from Residential School Survivors; from both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal communities; and from national and local media.

Along with over 40 performances a year, the RWB reached the community with Ballet In The Park, Culture Day's Dance Downtown, Sharing Dance Day, school matinee shows, open working rehearsals, Concert Hour Ballet, and so much more. This season was the RWB's second year hosting Winnipeg's Sharing Dance Day. Over 350 people of all ages and abilities participated in the event. Our Higher Horizons program served 30 organizations and over 500 participants providing access to the Arts through the opportunity to attend the ballet.

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CELEBRATING ANDRÉ LEWIS

The 2015-16 season marked the 20th anniversary of André Lewis as RWB Artistic Director, although he has devoted over 40 years to the organization. A native of Gatineau, Québec, Lewis began his dance training in Ottawa before being accepted into the Professional Division of the RWB School in 1975. He joined the RWB Company in 1979, where he danced for over ten years before being appointed Associate Artistic Director in 1990 and Artistic Director in1996.

Under Mr. Lewis' artistic leadership, the RWB expanded its repertoire with a number of new creations. In 1998 he commissioned Mark Godden's production of *Dracula*, and a new, Canadian version of *Nutcracker* in 1999. Audience favourite *Moulin Rouge*® - *The Ballet*, choreographed by RWB School graduate and former RWB Principal Dancer Jorden Morris, was also commissioned by Lewis, and went on to set record attendance levels at every performance, making it the highest grossing show in RWB's history.

More recent creations include a co-production with Atlanta Ballet for Twyla Tharp's The Princess & The Goblin and Lila York's full-length ballet The Handmaid's Tale , based on the novel of the same name by award-winning Canadian author Margaret Atwood. In 2014, Mr Lewis commissioned RWB School graduate and former RWB dancer Mark Godden to create the ground-breaking work Going Home Star - Truth and Reconciliation based on a story by Giller Prize-winning Canadian author, Joseph Boyden. The production is widely recognized as an important work which has made a significant contribution to the national conversation and to the process of truth and reconciliation.

In addition to his position as Artistic Director, Mr Lewis has guest taught throughout Europe and in Japan, and has set the ballet *Romeo & Juliet* on companies around the world, including Ballet de Marseilles (France), Maggio Danza (Italy), Hong Kong Ballet and the Greek National Ballet.

Former Principal Dancer, Evelyn Hart generously offered her exceptional talents as coach and mentor to Company dancers appearing in the leading role of *Giselle*. Ms. Hart performed the lead role in the RWB's first full-length production of the classic in 1982.

PRINCIPAL DANCER RETURNS TO THE RWB

The RWB was pleased to welcome the return of **Jo-Ann Sundermeier** as a Principal Dancer in August 2015, following a two-year stint with Ballet Smuin in San Francisco, California. A graduate of the RWB Professional Division, Sundermeier joined the RWB as an Apprentice in 2003 and was promoted to Principal Dancer in 2012.

DANCER PROMOTIONS AND NEW ADDITIONS

The RWB announced the following promotions: Sophia Lee and Dmitri Dovgoselets from Soloist to Principal Dancer; Corps de ballet Dancer, and Alanna McAdie, to Second Soloist. Apprentices Katie Bonnell, Jaimi Deleau, and Tyler Carver were promoted into the Corps de Ballet. Seven new dancers also joined the Company: Second Soloists Kostyatyn Keshyshev (Hong Kong Ballet) and Josh Reynolds (Smuin Ballet) and Corps de Ballet dancer Sarah Po Ting Yeung (Hong Kong Ballet). Aspirants Jesse Petrie, Saeka Shirai, Philippe Larouche and Yue Shi were hired as Apprentices.

RETIREMENT

Second Soloist **Tristan Dobrowney** retired from the Company at the close of the season. A native of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Mr Dobrowney graduated from the RWB School Professional Division in 2008, and joined the RWB Company as an Apprentice; he was promoted into the Corps de Ballet in 2011 and again to Second Soloist in 2014.

The RWB also said farewell to Corps de Ballet dancer Anna O'Callaghan and Apprentice Amy Young.



OFFICIAL CD RELEASE OF ORIGINAL SCORE TO GOING HOME STAR - TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

The Original Soundtrack to Going Home Star - Truth and Reconciliation (Centrediscs and Naxos of America, Inc.) was officially launched in Toronto on November 26, 2015 at the Canadian Music Centre (CMC), with a blessing by Knowledge Keeper Amy Desjarlais and a special performance by Polaris award-winner, Tanya Tagaq. The Honourable Justice Murray Sinclair was on hand to speak, as was choreographer Mark Godden, CMC Executive Director Glenn Hodgins, RWB Director of Marketing and Communications Larah Luna, and composer Christos Hatzis.

TRUTH, DANCE AND RECONCILIATION

The documentary Truth, Dance and Reconciliation was aired on CBC TV for the first time in early June 2016. Produced by Arrow Productions, it follows the creative team and dancers during the creation and artistic evolution of the RWB's critically acclaimed ballet, Going Home Star - Truth and Reconciliation, through rehearsal footage, Aboriginal cultural retreats, creative team gatherings, and opening night in Winnipeg. The documentary also tells the story of one residential school survivor and her experience attending a performance of Going Home Star.

CANADA'S ROYAL WINNIPEG BALLET

TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

Choreography Mark Godden Based on a Story by Joseph Boyden Associate Producer Tina Keeper

Music Christos Hatzis

Featuring the music of Tanya Tagaq and Steve Wood & The Northern Cree Singers

ME STAR



RWB BALLET BALL - AN ENCHANTED AFFAIR

Hosted by former RWB Principal Dancer, Evelyn Hart and RWB Artistic Director, André Lewis, the RWB's annual fundraising gala was held at the newlyrenovated RBC Convention Centre, with the theme, *An Enchanted Affair*. Guests were enchanted with performances by Company dancers, including a romantic pas de deux from *Moulin Rouge*® – *The Ballet*, a tango from **Val Caniparoli's** *A Cinderella Story* and excerpts from *La Fille mal gardée*. The magic continued with performances by Professional and Recreational Division students, including the award-winning Islands, choreographed by Level 7 student Erin Atkinson for the 2016 Choreographic Competition, First Steps.

Major sponsors for the evening included TD Bank Group (Presenting Sponsor), Winnipeg Building and Decorating Ltd. General Contractors (Ball Sponsor), Birchwood Automotive Group (Dream Car Auction Sponsor), and Natural Bakery (Dancer Dinner Sponsor). Guests participated in silent and live auctions, along with a draw for a Rolex Oyster Datejust II, donated by Indepêndent Jewellers. The RWB is grateful to the countless donors, sponsors and guests who helped to raise over \$130,000 in support of the company.





GOING HOME STAR - TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION WINS AT THE MANITOBA TOURISM AWARDS

The RWB's production of *Going Home Star – Truth and Reconciliation* took home first prize for the 17th Annual Manitoba Tourism Award for Aboriginal Tourism Award and was a finalist for the Award for Marketing Excellence. The RWB was recognized for its work connecting the public to the history of the residential school system and for the outreach and ancillary activities offered during the run of the performances.

RWB WOMEN'S COMMITTEE FINALISTS FOR VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

The **RWB Women's Committee** was a finalist for the **Winnipeg Tourism Awards of Distinction 2016 Volunteer of the Year Award**. Formed in 1947 to raise funds and promote the RWB, the Women's Committee will celebrate their 70th anniversary in 2017. The Committee's shop on Corydon Avenue, **Things Antiques and Gifts**, is managed and staffed by the Committee and is the longest running continuous fundraiser for the arts in Canada.

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During the Going Home Star-Truth and Reconciliation Tour, National Tour Presenting Sponsor, **TD Bank Group**, co-hosted receptions in Ottawa, Toronto and Vancouver. Local and provincial donors contributed to the Ticket Access Program, allowing many residential school survivors and community organizations access to complimentary tickets.

Presented by **Bank of Montreal** and supported by **Manitoba Public Insurance**, the Higher Horizons Community Ticket Access Program provided tickets for RWB performances to thirty local organizations, reaching a total of 522 participants, many of whom were seeing a ballet for the first time.

National Leasing, one of the *Peter Pan* performance sponsors, worked with the **Winnipeg Boldness Project** to provide families in Point Douglas with the opportunity to see the show and attend a special reception.

BALLET IN THE PARK

Presented by **Manitoba Liquor & Lotteries**, Ballet in the Park has been a Winnipeg tradition since the early 1970's, providing free, family entertainment for the community and attracting more than 20,000 people annually. The 2015 program featured Company dancers in excerpts from *Going Home Star – Truth and Reconciliation*, as well as *The Fairy Doll* Pas de Trois, performed by students of the Professional Division. Recreational Division students were featured in *Waltz of the Hours*, choreographed by RD School Principal and RWB School graduate, Kelly Bale.

DANCE DOWNTOWN PLUS

As part of Culture Days, the RWB participated in Nuit Blanche on September 26 by hosting a variety of performances and visual artists, including Spanish dance, belly dancing and an art projection installation.

The following day, the RWB partnered with Art City, Manitoba Opera, Rainbow Stage and the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra to offer interactive workshops and activities for all ages. Participants had the opportunity to dance, sing, act, try on costumes, and visit a musical instrument petting zoo!

SHARING DANCE DAY

In 2014, the RWB School was invited to partner with the National Ballet School in Toronto as a Sharing Dance National Partner and on June 3, 2016, the RWB hosted the second annual Sharing Dance Day.

In preparation for the event, students participated in free classes/open rehearsals at the RWB from April to June. Classes were also delivered at Governor Semple and Kent Road Schools from January to March, by Teacher Training Program Director (TTP), Johanne Gingras, and TTP Year 3 student, Lisa Brooks. Due to inclement weather, the event was moved inside the RWB building, but the rain by no means dampened participants spirits! Studios were filled to overflowing with over 350 enthusiastic participants from ten area schools, as well as Professional and Recreational Division students, including several from the ExplorAbility class. The RWB School would like to thank the **Canadian Tire Jumpstart** program for providing funding support for this very successful program.

EXPLORABILITY

Following the success of the **ExplorAbility for Adults program**, the Recreational Division debuted **ExplorAbility for Youth**, a new program designed for children ages 13-17 years with different abilities who wish to experience the joy of movement and self-expression.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

The RWB School's scholarship program provided 53 scholarships to support Professional Division students in 2015-16 for a total amount of \$ 104, 330.12.

Our students also continue to excel outside the studio, garnering 13 academic awards at The Collegiate at the University of Winnipeg Awards Ceremony on October 27.

The Ballet Academic and Teacher Training Programs graduated 15 students in 2016, three of whom graduated with Distinction.

2015-16 INTERNATIONAL AUDITION TOUR

Beginning in October 2015, the Professional Division embarked on their annual audition tour, visiting 16 cities across Canada and the United States, auditioning candidates for the Ballet Academic, Aspirant and Teacher Training Programs. Successful applicants gained acceptance to the RWB School's four-week Summer Session in July 2016, which represents the second stage of the audition process. Each year, the Investors Group Summer Session Scholarship Program generously provides a scholarship of \$2,000 to one student from each province.

BILLY ELLIOT

As part of the School's partnership with the Royal Manitoba Theatre Centre on their production of Billy Elliot, the two boys cast as "Billy", **Eamon Stocks** and **Ethan Ribeiro**, both from Ontario, joined us in the fall of 2015. In the mornings, the boys either attended Professional Division classes or trained at the RWB with **Brett Taylor**, a school graduate and former dancer with Les Ballets Jazz de Montréal. Mr. Ribeiro enjoyed his experience at the School so much that he auditioned for the full-year program during Summer Session 2016; he was accepted and is now a student in the 2016-17 Regular Session.



FIRST STEPS

Professional Division students participated in the 2016 First Steps Choreographic Competition from February 6-11 performing four sold out shows, and culminating with a final performance and awards ceremony on February 13. First Steps is a unique, student-run project, allowing RWB School students to choreograph their own works, and select music and performers of their choice. With help from the RWB Production and Wardrobe departments, students also have a hand designing the costumes and lighting for their pieces. Members of the Winnipeg community volunteer as jurors and award five prizes, including the Paddy Stone Scholarship for choreography and the Doreen McDonald Scholarship for costume design. The RWB School artistic faculty selects recipients for the RWB School Award and the Jacqueline Weber Award for Classical Choreography.

ON THE EDGE

The Aspirant Program's year-end showcase, took place May 26-27 in the Founders Studio at the RWB, with two sold out performances. This exciting and eclectic mixed programme, featured classical gems such as *The Dying Swan*, the solo made famous by celebrated prima ballerina Anna Pavlova, alongside the newest work from emerging choreographer and RWB Company soloist Yosuke Mino, and set to the music of recently knighted Welsh composer, Karl Jenkins.

SPOTLIGHT

For the second year in a row, Spotlight, the School's Professional Division year-end performances, was featured as part of the Company'smain stage, subscriber season, The mixed programme, which included excerpts from Paquita, as well as two world premieres – *Romani Song and The Little Match Girl*, was choreographed by School artistic faculty members Oleksandra Kondratyeva and Philippe-Alexandre Jacques, respectively.

CONCERT HOUR BALLET

Concert Hour Ballet (CHB) is an innovative program that travels annually to rural communities in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, showcasing the art of ballet to those who might ordinarily not have the opportunity to see a live performance. It also allows professional dance students to experience the demands of performing and touring first-hand. In 2015, CHB performed in sixteen public schools in Winnipeg and in Northern Manitoba and Saskatchewan, presented with the generous sponsorship of **MTS Future First**. Their representatives attended CHB performances in Winnipeg, and MTS employees were invited to an exclusive, closed working rehearsal.

LES BOYS DU BALLET NOMINATED FOR A PRIX GÉMEAUX AWARD

This French-language documentary feature by Wookey Films focuses on boys' ballet training for very young dancers to established career professionals. In June, it was nominated for a prix Gémeaux, the Frenchlanguage counterpart to the Gemini Awards, for "Best Documentary Program or Series: arts and culture". The documentary aired on television several times in 2016 and included interviews with School artistic faculty and RWB Company Artistic Director, André Lewis. RWB Professional Division students **Michel Lavoie** and **Miguel Sauvé** and School graduate and Company dancer **Philippe Larouche** were featured, as well as **Logan Quatember** from the Recreational Division.



FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

After 40 years of dedicated service, **Jacqueline Weber** retired as Principal of the Professional Division on June 30, 2015. RWB School PD alumna and graduate of the PD Teacher Training Program, School artistic faculty member **Suzanne André** assumed the role of Principal as of July 1, 2015.



GUEST TEACHING

The School was thrilled to welcome acclaimed dancers and dance teachers **Anastasia Dunets** and **Stanislav Belyaevsky** as guest teachers on September 9. Both artists received their dance instruction and pedagogical training at the Vaganova Ballet Academy in St. Petersburg, Russia. Ms. Dunets and Mr. Belyaevsky performed as a soloist and a principal, respectively, with internationally renowned ballet companies the Mariinsky Theatre, the Berlin State Opera and the Finnish National Opera. The School's ability to attract teachers of international renown such as these speaks to the high caliber of our training programs and our reputation for excellence on the world stage.

In November, students in the RWB School Aspirant Program enjoyed a master class led by Michael Trusnovec, revered senior member of the Paul Taylor Dance Company, while they were in town to perform at Pantages Playhouse Theatre.

Makaila Wallace, graduate of the Professional Division Ballet Academic Program and former dancer with Ballet BC, was invited to guest teach for two weeks in August during the Recreational Division Dance Intensive program.

The Recreational Division (RD) has an attendance of over 1, 500 students annually, including students enrolled in the Satellite programs in rural Manitoba.

NEW LEADERSHIP

Nicole Kepp, formerly the Recreational Division Vice-Principal, was appointed as Principal and **Katrin Benedictson** as Vice-Principal. Both Ms. Kepp and Ms Benedictson are graduates of the RWB School Professional Division Teacher Training Program. **Kelly Bale**, former RWB School Recreational Division Principal, will be returning to the School as a member of the RWB School artistic faculty.



CONSUMER CHOICE AWARD WINNER THIRD YEAR IN A ROW FOR BEST DANCE SCHOOL IN WINNIPEG

For the third year in a row, the RWB School Recreational Division was selected as the **2016 Best School Award in the Lifestyle category** of dance. Each year, consumers are surveyed across Canada to gather their opinions, perceptions and expectations regarding the services they choose on a daily basis. Leger Marketing, the leading Canadian-owned market research firm, conducts these consumer and business surveys.

On November 19, the RD and the RWB Company offered a mentorship opportunity to boys registered in RD levels 1 through 4. After a demonstration of the Company's current repertoire, the boys took part in a coaching session with Ballet Master Jaime Vargas, mentoring sessions with some of the male professional dancers and a question and answer session.



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VARNA INTERNATIONAL BALLET COMPETITION

The Varna IBC in Bulgaria is a worldrenowned ballet competition that brings dancers from all over the world together on the same stage. This year we were fortunate enough to have the opportunity to send company dancers Saeka Shirai and Yue Shi to compete at Varna. The RWB had been previously represented at Varna in 1980 when Evelyn Hart brought home the gold medal.

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FINANCIAL Statements





STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION as of

	BUILDING FUND	SCHOLARSHIP FUND		τοται	June 30, 2015 TOTAL
OPERATING FUND					
170,314				170,314	705,174
402,638	609,575			1,012,213	541,712
218,930				218,930	359,249
791,882	609,575	-		1,401,457	1,606,135
(70.117)	(49,489)	130.874	(11.268)		
232,157	7,918,040	,		8,150,197	8,681,393
953,922	8,478,126	130,874	(11,268)	9,551,654	10,287,528
1,086,895				1,086,895	547,359
1,711,874				1,711,874	1,757,424
	1,363,257			1,363,257	1,435,009
2,798,769	1,363,257			4,162,026	3,739,792
	7,114,869	130,874 -	11,268	7,234,475	7,276,284
(1,844,847)				(1,844,847)) (728,548)
953,922	8,478,126	130,874	(11,268)	9,551,654	10,287,528
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STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES for the year ended

	OPERATING	BUILDING	SCHOLARSHIP	CAPITAL June 30, 2015		June 30, 2015	
	FUND	FUND	FUND	FUND	TOTAL	TOTAL	
REVENUE	12,040,075	-	159,842	77,140	12,277,057	13,229,397	
EXPENSES	13,156,374	386,831	128,391	-	13,671,596	13,188,017	
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES BEFORE THE FOLLOWING GAIN ON DISPOSAL OF LAND	(1,116,299)	(386,831) 383,952	31,451	77,140	(1,394,539) 383,952	41,380	
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	(1,116,299)	(2,879)	31,451	77,140	(1,010,587)	41,380	
Contribution to The Winnipeg Foundation Interfund transfer			(37,864)	(109,657)	(147,521)	(95,726)	
	(1,116,299)	(2,879)	(6,413)	(32,517)	(1,158,108)	(54,346)	
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING OF YEAR	(728,548)	7,117,748	137,287	21,249	6,547,736	6,602,082	
FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR	(1,844,847)	7,114,869	130,874	(11,268)	5,389,628	6,547,736	

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