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Ballet Arizona's 'Cinderella' Brings Classical Tale to Symphony Hall Stage

Treasured Fairytale Accompanied by The Phoenix Symphony Returns This Fall

PHOENIX – One of the most romantic fairytales of all time will makes its way to Phoenix this fall as <u>Ballet Arizona</u> presents the charming classic, *Cinderella*. The Valley's only professional ballet company is teaming up with <u>The Phoenix Symphony</u> to perform this beloved story on the Symphony Hall stage Oct. 20-23, 2022.

Ballet Arizona's Artistic Director Ib Andersen invites the audience to step into a world of fantasy as he brings the romantic story to life complete with glass slippers, pumpkin carriages, and fairy godmothers.

Andersen's staging and choreography vividly delights audiences with the beauty and majesty of classical ballet, wrapped in the promise of "happily ever after," and generously sprinkled with a wonderful dose of humor. Be further enchanted as The Phoenix Symphony performs the beautiful score.

"Cinderella is a classic tale loved by many. Everyone knows the story but now audiences will get to see it like never before," said Andersen. "I am excited to showcase the passion and artistry of our talented dancers to bring this story back to life in a whole new way."

"[Ballet Arizona] tells the Cinderella story with compelling human detail," wrote The New York Times' Senior Dance Critic, Alastair Macaulay.

Ballet Arizona's opening night series sponsors are F. Francis and Dionne Najafi of Pivotal Foundation.

Single tickets are on sale now and can be purchased by calling the Ballet Arizona box office at 602-381-1096. For more information, visit <u>balletaz.org/performance/cinderella-2022</u>.

Ballet Arizona

Ballet Arizona is dedicated to preserving and celebrating classical dance while creating new and innovative works. Under the artistic direction of internationally acclaimed choreographer Ib Andersen – a former Principal Dancer with The New York City Ballet and The Royal Danish Ballet – Ballet Arizona follows his lead to the future of dance in Arizona. The School of Ballet Arizona promotes access to the art form of ballet through dance education, with a focus on excellence in the form, directing each student to a life-long love of dance. Following this vision, Ballet Arizona connects to more than 35,000 children and families every year through its free and low-cost outreach programs. For more information, visit balletaz.org.

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