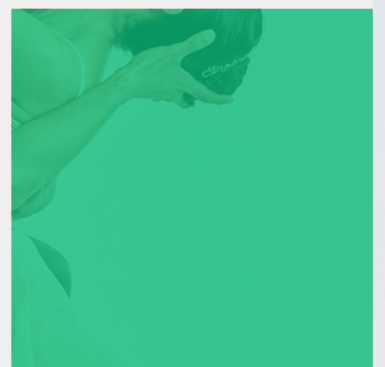


Diablo Ballet 2024

Annual Report

An award-winning, internationally recognized, professional dance company committed to enriching, inspiring, and educating children and adults through the art of dance.



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A Letter from the Artistic Director

When I co-founded Diablo Ballet 31 years ago in 1993, I had hoped it would be the organization it is today. As a co-founder, I feel grateful and blessed. Looking back on 31 years warms my heart to know that Diablo Ballet's mission has remained committed to enriching, inspiring, and educating children and adults through the art of dance. Our world-class dancers and choreographers continue to inspire and engage you, our audiences, through their artistry. Our company of dancers has grown from 8-17 and our PEEK Outreach Program, which began with one classroom in 1995, is now in 9 Title 1 schools each month in Contra Costa County and the East Bay. In addition, we just completed our 9th year serving at-risk teenage boys and girls incarcerated in Juvenile Hall once per week for 11 months. Diablo Ballet School, which is in its 5th year, is the first school in the history of Contra Costa County operated by a professional ballet company and offers Dance for Parkinson's classes which are free to Parkinson's patients and their caregivers.

We are so proud of our work and all of the support that makes it all possible.

Thank you for sharing the power of dance with us!

Lauren Jonas

Artistic Director



A Letter from the Board of Directors

What an amazing time to be part of Diablo Ballet! It is astounding that we have just completed our 30th season of bringing award-winning professional dance to the Bay Area and are still going strong! And what a magical season it was! All year we celebrated our growth from our humble beginnings as a regional ballet company to being an internationally acclaimed force in the dance world inspiring and educating audiences everywhere. There were tears and joy as we cherished 30 unforgettable years, while still knowing we have more to give. Diablo Ballet is just getting started.

But these 30 years were no accident. Driven by founder and Artistic Director Lauren Jonas, Diablo Ballet constantly raises the bar in the world of dance. Under Lauren's consistent leadership, Diablo's company evolves through its dancers, its repertoire, and its relationship to the audience, while staying true to its mission of arts education. Establishing a school of our own, increasing the work we do in the community with our PEEK Program, and supporting dancers and choreographers throughout their careers have been the culmination of personal and professional goals for Lauren. And Diablo Ballet has absorbed that into our DNA. We thank her for being the backbone of our company. Because of her, Diablo Ballet continues in its commitment to bring originality, excitement, and excellence in dance to the community.

And our success would not be possible without our wonderful supporters! We dance for you! We are forever grateful that you have been there throughout our 30 years cheering us on and urging us forward even during the most difficult of times. You are part of our family and we celebrate this milestone with you. Looking up at the stage after decades of performances and thinking wow, we are a real ballet company! We did this together, against all odds, and look forward to creating many more memories to come!

Cheers to 30! Cheers to Diablo Ballet!

Laurie Miller
Cheryl DeSimone

Co-Presidents



Diablo's 30th Season

We are incredibly grateful to have celebrated Diablo Ballet's 30th Season and we would like to share our milestone achievements. While our financials for Fiscal Year 2024 are not yet final, we are delighted to share the following highlights of our 2023-2024 season of performance, instruction, and outreach.

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Show
Attendance

17

Company
members

125

Diablo Ballet
School
Students



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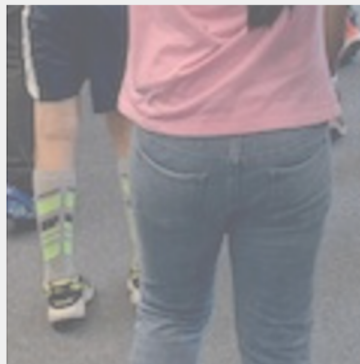
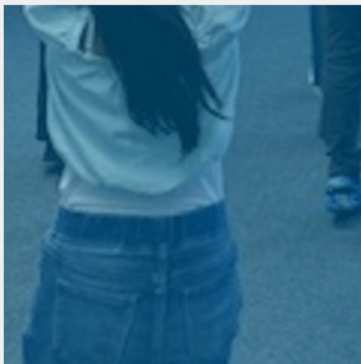
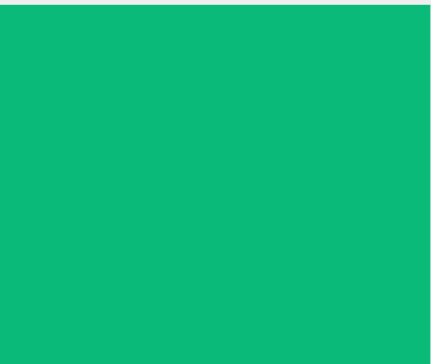
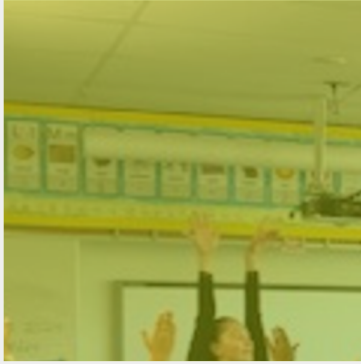
Dance for
Parkinson's
Classes Weekly

425

Title 1 Students
Served by
PEEK weekly

60

Incarcerated
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by PEEK



Thank You

We hope you'll join us in bringing dance, movement, and music to those who need and love it most in the East Bay Area.

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