

CALIFORNIA BALLET COMPANY ANNOUNCES

Beer & Ballet

**AT PARK6 in Bankers Hill
April 28-29, 2017**

San Diego, CA - California Ballet Company (CBC) presents ***Beer and Ballet*** at Park6 in Bankers Hill, April 28-29, 2017. Ballet goes social! Attendees will have a chance to get their brew on and experience the next wave of San Diego dance visionaries. California Ballet dancers will assault the stage at Vanguard Culture's brand new arts venue, Park6 in Bankers Hill. Audience members can grab a local craft brew before, during, and after the show.

Light snacks will be available during all performances.

The performance program will include new and in-your-face works by local choreographers Trystan Merrick and Jeremy Zapanta, and California Ballet Associate Artistic Director Jared Nelson. Audience members are invited to share a beer with the talent after the performance.

CBC dedicates part of each season to encouraging and developing new works so that: artists explore new ideas, audiences see dance as an evolving art, we stay current with global trends, local artists have opportunities to show their work.

When April 28, 2017 at 8pm

April 29, 2017 at 5:30pm and 8:30pm

Where: Park6; 590 Fir Street, San Diego, CA 92101

Price: \$25 general admission; \$40 reserved seating. Must be 8 and older to attend.

One free alcoholic beverage provided with the purchase of each ticket (Must be 21 or older). Additional beverages will available for purchase. California Ballet promotes responsible drinking; all Designated Drivers and under aged attendees will be provided with complimentary soft drinks.

About Park6: Park6 is the home of, and run by, Vanguard Culture. It is San Diego's newest event venue with nearly 18,000 square feet for corporate, social, and theater events. Park6 offers facilities for the visual, performing, and culinary arts. For more information, please go to www.vanguardculture.com.

Tickets may be purchased at www.CaliforniaBallet.org or (858) 560-6741

For info on the current season, go to www.californiaballet.org/press.

Choreographer Bios on back



Jared Nelson - began dancing professionally at the age of 14 with the Sacramento Music Circus and became an apprentice with the Sacramento Ballet that same year. Mr. Nelson performed as a principal dancer with the Washington Ballet in Washington DC where he originated the role of Jay Gatsby for the World Premiere of *The Great Gatsby* at the Kennedy Center. He reprised the role for the West Coast Premiere presented by California Ballet at the San Diego Civic Theatre. Mr. Nelson was responsible for the restaging of *The Great Gatsby* on California Ballet Company in October 2015, and was appointed Associate Artistic Director in July 2016.

Trystan Merrick - joined California Ballet as a Principal in 2014. He has appeared with such companies as the Nevada Ballet, Malashock, Owen Cox Dance, and Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo. He regularly appears with Jean Isaacs San Diego Dance Theater, and is an instructor at the California Ballet School. Mr. Merrick has previously choreographed new works throughout San Diego, including several on California Ballet dancers.

Jeremy Zapanta - Born in the Philippines, Mr. Zapanta moved to the United States at the age of 1. He began his dance training at the age of 13 at the Burbank School of Ballet, and continued his training at the University of California, Irvine where he worked with the great Donald McKayle. He joined California Ballet in 2013 as a member of the Corps de Ballet, and was promoted to Soloist in 2014. He has previously been commissioned by California Ballet to create new works for repertory performances. Mr. Zapanta has also created new works for the California Ballet School which have been entered into the Youth America Grand Prix ballet competition.

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