

# Take the next step!

## **Dear Friend of Dance:**

We'd like to invite you to become a 2011-12 season donor to Ballet Nebraska, our region's dynamic professional dance company!

As a donor, you're letting your peers know that you're committed to a *high-quality arts environment* for your community, and that you support Ballet Nebraska's dedication to *professional artistry*, *education*, *and community outreach*.

Also, Ballet Nebraska donors are eligible for a package of distinctive benefits that can include public recognition, special "insider" opportunities, and a uniquely personal connection to Omaha's newest and most exciting professional arts group.

Please visit balletnebraska.org for full details. Here's a brief summary:

#### Founders' Circle

- \$20,000 and up: Recognition as a Premium Founding Donor.
- \$10,000 and up: Recognition as a Founding Donor.

Donor benefits at these levels can be **customized according to your interests**, and also include all benefits of the levels listed below.

#### Patrons' Circle

- **\$5,000** and up: Recognition in Ballet Nebraska program booklet and website as a Production Sponsor for one of our 2011-12 productions; private backstage tour.
- \$3,000 and up: Recognition in Ballet Nebraska program booklet and website as an Artist Sponsor for one of our professional company dancers; meet and receive a commemorative photo of your sponsored dancer.
- **\$1,000** and up: Invitation to meet Ballet Nebraska's company members and observe company class before a performance.

Also includes all benefits of the levels listed below.

#### Friends' Circle

- \$500 and up: Autographed pair of pointe shoes from the dancer of your choice (subject to availability).
- \$250 and up: Autographed commemorative photo of the Ballet Nebraska company.
- \$100 and up: Your name listed in the donor section of all 2011-12 season programs.

Of course, donations below \$100 also are much appreciated and, like the levels listed above, are tax-deductible to the full extent provided by law.

Notes: All benefits are provided upon request. All donors will be thanked in the program booklet unless they request that their gift be anonymous. Donors will enjoy the benefits associated with their level of giving, as well as the levels below.

**Join the growing ranks of Ballet Nebraska's donors today!** Please fill out and return the enclosed card with your donation... visit **balletnebraska.org** to make a secure online donation... or contact us at *donate@balletnebraska.org* to make individualized arrangements. Thank you for your support!

Building on the success of our debut season, Ballet Nebraska in 2011–12 will bring our Omaha-area audience even more of the things that make people passionate about the heartland's professional dance company:

- The beauty of a revered classical art form
- The exhilaration of seeing the human body at peak athletic performance
- The excitement of a diverse and varied medium of creative expression
- The spirit of civic progress shown in our commitment to cultural education and community outreach programming

### 2011-12 Season:

**Dracula** – October 2011, Omaha's Orpheum Theater

Haunting, fast-paced, beautiful and romantic: an actionpacked yet thought-provoking total theatrical experience.

**The Nutcracker** – December 2011, IWCC Arts Center and Omaha Music Hall

Our fresh, lively and entertaining version of the ballet that has become a family holiday tradition.

**Momentum** – March 2012, Joslyn Art Museum

This diverse mix of short ballets is an ideal introduction for ballet first-timers and a fascinating creative showcase for veteran dancegoers.