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Harford Ballet Company Presents *Swan Lake*

Bel Air, MD (April, 2015) – The Harford Ballet Company (HBC), resident company of the Dance Conservatory of Maryland, is headlining its spring production with *Swan Lake*. Featuring guest professional artists as well as local Harford County students, the performances will take place June 13, 2015 at 6 p.m. and June 14, 2015 at 1 p.m. at Bel Air High School.

The performance will open with Harford Ballet Company, joined by students from the Dance Conservatory of Maryland, in a mixed bill performance featuring The Dance Conservatory of Maryland's recreational dance forms. Harford Ballet Company will also be presenting *Ostinato*, the piece of choreography by Shana O'Brien which was presented at the Youth America Grand Prix Finals in New York City this Spring.

Headlining the second half of the program is the timeless classical ballet *Swan Lake*, set to Tchaikovsky's glorious score. This popular ballet will be a delight to audience members as they are introduced to the enchanted world of Prince Siegfried, who falls in love with Odette, a woman transformed into a swan by an evil curse. Odette is destined to remain a swan until rescued by undying love. Evil Rothbart and his daughter, the black swan Odile, stand in her way of release from the curse. The gorgeous lines and patterns of the ballet combine with intricate pas de trois work to show the best of the HBC dancers.

Tickets are now on sale and can be purchased at our website: harfordballetcompany.org or by calling 410-877-0777. Ticket prices range from \$17-\$23 with advance purchase and \$25 at the door.

Harford Ballet Company's productions are supported in part by both the Maryland State Arts Council and Harford County Cultural Arts Board.

About Harford Ballet Company

Harford Ballet Company is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization overseen by an advisory Board of Directors who work with the artistic director and the company manager to provide administrative support for the Company. The Company's annual season features two programs of classic favorites and new works, including the holiday tradition, *The Nutcracker*.

Harford Ballet Company receives state arts funding through a grant from the Maryland State Arts Council and the Harford County Cultural Arts Board and constantly seeks financial backing for the valuable art of ballet through memberships, grants, and personal and corporate donations.

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About Dance Conservatory of Maryland

Founded in 1996 by Pamela Villeneuve, Dance Conservatory of Maryland is the premier classical and contemporary dance program in Harford County and the Northern Maryland region. Headquartered at the 40-acre historic Millstad property on Whitaker Mill Road, three miles south of Bel Air, the 5,000 square foot facility houses the conservatory as well as the headquarters for Harford Ballet Company. A DCM dancer can perform professionally, earn scholarships to major professional schools, colleges and universities, and enrich the artistic and cultural life of the community.

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