



Plano Metropolitan Ballet

Enriching our community for over 20 years

Plano Metropolitan Ballet (PMB), founded in 1987, is a not-for-profit ballet company located in Plano, Texas, that strives to provide affordable, high-quality dance performances to the local community while instilling a love of dance in its members. PMB is made up of over 45 members. Through yearly auditions, dedicated dancers ages 10 to 18 are given the opportunity to join PMB.

Since 1989 Plano Metropolitan Ballet has produced an original, storybook ballet each year by bringing a fairy tale to life on stage through dance. Some of PMB's past productions have been *Wizard of Oz*, *Cinderella*, *Beauty and the Beast*, and *Anastasia*. Audiences number close to 2,000, selling out each season. Each production offers classical ballet and familiar music along with a bit of adventure, fun, and magic to tell the story. PMB was one of the first artistic groups to perform at Plano's Courtyard Theater, and the company remains at this venue today.

In 2003, PMB founded and began sponsoring the Plano Dance Festival, held annually at the Courtyard Theater. With this event, a dance tradition began, by providing a venue where, by invitation only, local professional and student dancers from the Plano and North Texas areas can showcase their talent on the same stage in a non-competitive environment. Audiences can look forward to a unique mix of classical and modern ballet and pointe as well as tap, jazz, and modern dance styles.

In 2006 the Junior Company division of Plano Metropolitan Ballet was formed. Developed for dancers ages eight to 12 with a strong interest in pursuing ballet, Junior Company members must audition in order to join. This group performs a short fairy-tale ballet at the Plano Dance Festival. Junior Company includes a membership of nearly 40 dancers.

The first annual Plano Met Gala was held in 2007 in celebration of Plano Metropolitan Ballet's twentieth anniversary. This annual event is PMB's largest fundraiser and has quickly become a favorite PMB tradition.

PMB began an outreach program called PMB Pals in 2008. This unique program provides special needs children the opportunity to experience a ballet class tailored exclusively to them. PMB has participated in events in and around Plano and North Texas, performing at Brookhaven College, Southfork, Haggard Park, Heritage Farmstead, Dance for the Planet, Plano Arts Festival, Allen Dance Festival, the Eisemann Center, area retirement homes and local schools. Plano Met and Junior Company dancers traditionally open the Gotta Dance spring recitals each year.

In addition to ballet and pointe classes, PMB and Junior Company dancers each attend weekly company rehearsals. PMB dancers receive inspiration from visiting master instructors, guest artists, and the company's own dedicated choreographers. Plano Metropolitan Ballet has been under the artistic direction of Cindi Lawrence Hanson since 1998, and its dancers study and train at Gotta Dance.



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Your business or organization has the opportunity to support the arts by providing a monetary gift or an in-kind donation of goods or services. Support from our sponsors makes it possible for Plano Metropolitan Ballet to continue to enrich Plano and its surrounding communities through the art of dance. There are several ways you can help! PMB is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization, so your contribution is tax deductible.

Underwriting

A wide range of underwriting opportunities are available. Your organization's monetary gift can help fund a production or an event by offsetting operating expenses such as costumes, props, theater rentals, backdrops, guest artists, choreographers, or catering.

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- Program and event listings will be subject to the timing that the donation is received.
- Please mail your contribution to: Plano Metropolitan Ballet, 3131 Custer Road, Suite 195, Plano, TX 75075.

For more information, call (972) 769-0017 or send an email to development@planometballet.org. Please also visit the Plano Met web site at www.planometballet.org.

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