



Hope Garden Children's Ballet Theatre

A Community Garden That Gives

Hope Garden Children's Ballet Theatre (HGCBT) upholds the traditions and history of classical ballet while venturing into the world of contemporary ballet and movement—contributing to the education of the young people involved, stretching their minds and explorations into the understanding of movement art, anatomy, musicality, and theater. The HGCBT hopes to extend its solid foundation in the community, teaching and spreading the message of beauty, culture, and the deep roots of Classical Ballet. These young dancers seek to educate and inspire audiences throughout the Maryland and D.C. region, striving to perform in many venues beyond the semi-annual performances in Poolesville, including hospitals, senior homes, schools, and community settings.

HGCBT strives to put on performances that are an exciting, inspiring and magical experience, both for the dancers and for the audience. Fulfilling these goals becomes easier as our dancers become more confident and accomplished, and they take on more sophisticated roles. Providing a setting that mirrors the quality of the dancing requires funding from outside sources. The rental, purchase and creation of more elaborate costumes, sets and props, the fees for hiring required technical staff and guest performers, the rental of the theater, and the

cost of promoting the performances are all elements necessary to creating performances that match the caliber of these talented dancers.

As is traditional with youth ballet, the dancers all pay a fee to participate in these productions. The fees HGCBT collects from its dancers are the lowest in the region, and our hope is to maintain that. This is where our patrons, and supporters of art in our region, can help.

Your support is needed to make HGCBT events a success

Your contribution to Hope Garden Children's Ballet Theatre will provide young dancers with opportunities to perform in a setting designed to maximize their growth as dancers and lovers of art, nurturing their character, confidence, discipline, and self-esteem. Your tax-deductible donations will help facilitate the growth of a flourishing center of art and culture in our community: a source of beauty, commitment, effort, and wellbeing for our youth. Please see the multiple, tax-deductible options we offer below to support HGCBT.

Please help us Dance! Your Options to Support HGCBT

Help Secure a Grant

HGCBT is actively pursuing grants that support the arts and communities. If you are associated with an entity that might consider a grant application from HGCBT we ask that you provide us with contact information so that we can pursue that opportunity.

Be an Angel

A donation of any amount is always greatly appreciated. We list our angels, when they prefer to be recognized, in the program for the performance following the donation, and on a sign in the lobby during the performances.

HGCBT is a charitable organization as described in §501(c)(3) of the internal revenue code. Accordingly, donations to HGCBT are deductible as charitable contributions.

Co-Present a Performance

For a donation of \$1,000 your entity is recognized as the co-presenter of one production. Your entity's name will be billed, along with HGCBT, as co-sponsor at the top of the promotional poster and the cover of the program book. You will also receive a professionally designed full-color page in the program book. Your name or logo will be prominently displayed in the lobby during the performance and your name will be announced before the show, along with HGCBT, as co-presenters. Your entity's name or logo will be presented at the beginning of the professionally produced DVD of the performance, which is distributed to the families of all dancers, and is available for purchase by the public. You will also receive four reserved seats for the performance and four invitations to the post-performance cast party.

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Purchase a Sponsorship

We offer four levels of sponsorship to any interested party including businesses and families:

- GOLD LEVEL – \$500 and up:** With the Gold sponsorship your personal or company name and/or logo is presented in the program and the performance DVD as the sponsor of one act of the performance, your personal or company name and/or logo presented prominently in the lobby during the performance, your logo listed as a gold sponsor at the bottom of the promotional poster, your name or color logo in the program, a full page black and white sponsor message in the program, four reserved performance seats and four invitations to the post-performance cast party.

Your Gold level contribution amount: _____

- PRIMA LEVEL – \$250 to \$499:** Your personal or company name and/or logo presented in the lobby during the performance, your name or color logo in the program, your logo at the bottom of the promotional poster, a full page black and white sponsor message in the program, four reserved performance seats and four invitations to the post-performance cast party.

Your Prima contribution amount: _____

- SOLOIST LEVEL – \$150 to \$249:** Your personal or company name presented in the lobby during the performance, your name listed in the program, two reserved concert seats and two invitations to the post-performance cast party.

Your Soloist contribution amount: _____

- CORPS LEVEL – \$100 to \$149:** Your personal or company name presented in the lobby during the performance, your name listed in the concert program and two reserved performance seats.

Your Corp contribution amount: _____

Because your sponsorship is charitable in nature, but also offers a valuable benefit to your business, sponsorship donations are considered to be a charitable donation at 80% of their value.

Purchase a Business Message

Have your business, organization, or corporate message printed in our next performance program.

- Full color, full-page business message,** inside front or inside back cover: \$125.00 (limited availability)
- Black and white full-page business message:** \$75.00
- Black and white half-page business message:** \$40.00

Because a business message offers a valuable benefit to your business, these messages are not considered to be tax deductible as a charitable contribution.

Send a Family Message

Congratulate a family member or friend with a Family Message in the next performance program. Family messages do not mention any business and typically congratulate or send messages to dancers or staff.

- Black and white full-page family message:** \$50.00
- Black and white half-page family message:** \$25.00

Family messages offer valuable support to HGCBT, and accordingly are considered to be charitable contributions for tax purposes. Accordingly, these contributions are deductible as a charitable contribution to the fullest extent of the law.



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Please check the method of contribution you would like to make. To see a sample program go to www.hgcbt.org and click on "Previous Performances." Each show listed offers a link to "View Program." For instructions on submitting artwork or text for your message or sponsorship please see our artwork specifications sheet or go to www.hgcbt.org/become-a-donor/.

NAME _____ COMPANY/BUSINESS _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

TOTAL DONATION AMOUNT _____

Please make checks payable to HGCBT. For more information about Hope Garden Children's Ballet Theatre please visit our web site at www.HGCBT.org, email us at HopeGardenCBT@gmail.com or send mail to HGCBT, PO Box 352, Poolesville, MD 20837.

