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AJKUNBT AT THE EGG IN JULY

"Made in the Shade of The Egg"

[New York, June 26, 2017] – In cooperation with the State of New York and the Nelson A. Rockefeller Empire State Plaza Performing Arts Center Corporation, Ajkun Ballet Theatre will present a Welcoming Gala Performance on Wednesday, July 26 at 12noon as part of The Egg's "Made in The Shade of The Egg" Series.

The professional artists of the Ajkun Ballet Theatre Company will present a diverse medley of classical and contemporary selections to welcome the dancers selected from all over the world who will be joining us this summer for *Performing in New York*, and to greet the general audience of New York's Capital Region who have supported our performances and annual residency in Albany for almost 2 decades.



The program will include the Grand Pas de Deux from the traditional favorite *The Sleeping Beauty*, performed by Principal Dancer [Brittany Larrimer](#) and Leading Artist [Klevis Tafaj](#). Excerpts of [Chiara Ajkun](#)'s newest ballet *Anna Karenina* will also be performed, following critical acclaim from its New York City World Premiere performances in April, and fresh off performances on the Italian stages July 2- 16. Company Favorites [Morgan Stinnett](#), [Momoko Burbine](#) and the Corps de Ballet of Ajkun Ballet Theatre will complete the afternoon with additional Contemporary and Classical works.

A Behind the Scenes event, affording audience members the opportunity to meet the Artistic Director and the Dancers following the performance.

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Ajkun Ballet Theatre in Albany

Since the year 2000, the Ajkun Ballet Theatre brought some of the finest dancers to reside in Albany, for a three-week residency and performances, offering the hands-on experience of a professional Company to few gifted Children from the Community. Dancers representing virtually all Countries in the World, their families and friends, have had the opportunity to visit and to interact with Artists from the area, earning AjkunBT the reputation of "An International Reality, Attentive to its Local Community" in 2011. The residency is made possible thanks to the continuous support of The Egg, Center for the Performing Arts, the Ellen Sinopoli Dance Company, PriceChopper and Capital District Transportation Authority.

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www.nycharites.org - Ajkun Ballet Theatre

PUBLIC EVENTS AT THE EGG

Venue: **THE EGG CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS** – 1 EMPIRE PLAZA, ALBANY, NY 12220
(WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE)

Directions: from I-787 (either direction) accessible from I-90. Parking Lot available. Close to Albany Airport and Train Station.

Performing Company: **AJKUN BALLET THEATRE** | www.ajkunbt.org

Performance Title: **CARMEN**

Date: **SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 2017**

Time: **7:30pm – 8:45pm**

Tickets: **\$29**; BUY BY PHONE (518) 473-1845, BUY ONLINE www.theegg.org

MADE IN THE SHADE OF THE EGG, BEHIND THE SCENES EVENT

An outdoor, pre-performance event suitable for children and families to discover the magic of the company behind the scenes will be presented on **WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2017** at **12noon**.

FREE ADMISSION. No Reservation required.

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