THE AMERICAN FRIENDS OF THE PARIS OPERA & BALLET
AND
AMERICAN BALLET THEATRE
INVITE YOU TO JOIN THEM IN PARIS
ON THE OCCASION OF ABT’S
FIRST VISIT TO THE PARIS OPERA IN 25 YEARS

SEPTEMBER 1-3, 2016

“SLEEPING BEAUTY” – ALEXEI RATMANSKY

Lively storytelling charm, remarkable suspense and complex musicality.
Alastair Macaulay – New York Times

Ratmansky has not just thickened the texture, he has heightened the drama.
Every role in this production has acquired new force, new specificity.
Joan Acoella – The New Yorker
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 1

LUNCH
WELCOME RECEPTION WITH PATRONS AND ARTISTS AT THE HISTORICAL AMERICAN AMBASSADOR’S RESIDENCE IN PARIS HOSTED BY THE HONORABLE JANE HARTLEY, AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE AND MONACO

AFTERNOON AND DINNER
IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF CHRISTIAN DIOR
Christian Dior fell in love with the townhouse at 30 Avenue Montaigne for it “reduced size, its classic elegance without overwhelming pedigree”, a house “on a scale as modest as his dream was ambitious” that became his headquarters late in 1946 ahead of the launch of his first collection; a year later Monsieur Dior presented his legendary “New Look” collection within the store’s walls and sparked a post-war shape revolution. Accompanied by a fashion historian, patrons will immerse themselves in the story of Christian Dior, from the couture workshop to his favorite meal recreated by Alain Ducasse for a very special dinner at the Plaza Athénée.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 2

SPECIAL BENEFACTOR EVENTS – LATE MORNING AND LUNCH
EXCEPTIONAL VISIT OF THE PALAIS DE L’ELYSEES
The official residence of the French President since 1848, Le Palais de L’Elysées was built in 1722, and though it has undergone many modifications since, it remains a fine example of the French classical style counting many stunning salons and a large manicured garden. Constance Rivière, Special Advisor for Culture, will guide AFPOB patrons through this truly unique tour.

LUNCH AT L’OPÉRA RESTAURANT WITH AURÉLIE DUPONT, THE NEW DIRECTOR OF DANCE AT THE PARIS OPERA AND FORMER ETOILE

AFTERNOON
COMPLETE BACKSTAGE EXPERIENCE AT THE PALAIS GARNIER
Discover the hidden treasures of the Palais Garnier, tour a special exhibit featuring the long-time collaboration of the Paris Opera with American choreographers, attend a working rehearsal of the Paris Opera Ballet and chat with the artists.

EVENING
OPENING NIGHT OF ALEXEI RATMANSKY’S “SLEEPING BEAUTY” AT THE OPERA BASTILLE FOLLOWED BY A CAST PARTY WITH THE DANCERS
Performance Program
“Sleeping Beauty”
Initial choreography - Marius Petipa
Staging and additional choreography – Alexei Ratmansky
Décor and Costumes – Richard Hudson
Music – Piotr Ilyitch Tchaikovski
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 3

LATE MORNING AND LUNCH
ARCHITECTURAL TOUR AND LUNCH AT THE VUITTON FOUNDATION
A jewel of urban architecture dedicated to contemporary creation and designed by Frank Gehry, the Vuitton Foundation was imagined after the founding principles of landscaped gardens of the 19th century as it connects with two historic gardens: the Jardin d’Acclimatation, and the Bois de Boulogne. As an added treat, we will enjoy Daniel Buren’s temporary installation “The Observatory of Light”, covering the museum’s 12 glass-paneled “sails” with a checkerboard of translucent colored gels before a gourmet lunch overlooking the park.

EVENING
CONCERT AND CLOSING DINNER AT LA PHILHARMONIE DE PARIS
Opened in January 2015 and designed by world-famous architect Jean Nouvel, the Philharmonie is one of the finest spaces dedicated to music. The concert will be preceded by a closing dinner in the panoramic restaurant.

Concert Program
Staatskapelle Berlin - Daniel Barenboim
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart - Concerto pour piano n° 27
Anton Bruckner - Symphonie n° 5

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

Travel arrangements and accommodations in Paris will be the responsibility of each participant but the American Friends of Paris Opera & Ballet has preferred rates with several top hotels in Paris and is happy to make those available to our members. The Bristol has been among the favorite of our patrons in the past and its rates are shown below. Transportation to and from most activities will depart from the Bristol.

The initial reservation must be made by AFPOB and guaranteed with your credit card information. For additional information, a full list of hotels, and to reserve, please contact: Laure Vienot-Tronche, Executive Director, at 212.439.1426 or laure.vienot@afpob.org

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>HOTEL</th>
<th>RATE</th>
<th>NOTE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Le Bristol</td>
<td>Superior: 490 euros</td>
<td>Initial reservation must be made by American Friends of the Paris Opera &amp; Ballet</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Luxe: 710 euros</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Prestige: 980 euros</td>
<td>* Valid all year long for AFPOB members except a few blackout dates including September 28-October 4, 2016</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>112 rue du Faubourg St Honore 75008 Paris</td>
<td>(Includes wifi and VAT tax, excludes breakfast)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><a href="http://www.lebristolparis.com">www.lebristolparis.com</a></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AMERICAN FRIENDS OF THE PARIS OPERA & BALLET

OLIVIA FLATTO, CHAIRMAN
MARINA COULOUCOUNDIS, VICE CHAIRMAN
SERENA LESE, VICE CHAIRMAN
LAURA ZECKENDORF, VICE CHAIRMAN

J.C. AGID
ANNE H. BASS
RANDALL BOURSCHEIDT
ANTHONY COLES
MARY SHARP CRONSON
MICHEL DAVID-WEILL
FLAVIA GALE
JAMES DE GIVENCHY
CLAUDE JANSEEN
JOANNA FISHER
KINGA LAMPERT
GRETCHEN LEACH

ALMUDENA LEGORRETA
JACQUES LEVIANT
BENJAMIN MILLEPIED
YURIE PASCARELLA
HUGUES DE PINS
LEE RADZIWILL
SANA H. SABBAGH
STANISLAS THIERRY
GREGORY ANNENBERG WEINGARTEN
ROBERT WILSON
HAL J. WITT
CECILE ZILKHA

MARINA DE BRANTES, CHAIRMAN EMERITA
EDWARD A. REILLY, PRESIDENT EMERITU

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AMERICAN BALLET THEATRE

LUCIA CHASE AND OLIVER SMITH, FOUNDERS
JACQUELINE KENNEDY ONASSIS (1929–1994), HONORARY CHAIRMAN EMERITA

OFFICERS
ANDREW F. BARTH, CHAIRMAN*
SHARON PATRICK*, DAVID H. KOCH*, VICE CHAIRMEN
BRIAN J. HEITDKE*, PRESIDENT
NANCY HAVENS-HASTY*, TREASURER
MELISSA A. SMITH*, SECRETARY

TRUSTEES
LINDA ALLARD
SARAH ARISON*
FRANCESCA BEALE
DAVID C. BLOWERS*
HAMISH BOWLES
AUDRE D. CARLIN
VALENTINO CARLOTTI*
BETH CHARTOFF SPECTOR*
AMY R. CHURGIN
SUSAN FEINSTEIN
LYNNE FLEXNER
SONIA FLORIAN
WILLIAM J. GILLESPIE

WENDY EVANS JOSEPH
CHRISTIAN KEESEE
THERESA KHAWLY
DONALD KRAMER
REYNOLD LEVY
PAULA MAHONEY
NANCY MCCORMICK
BILL McINTOSH
KEVIN MCKENZIE
KARA MEDOFF BARNETT
RUTH NEWMAN
HOWARD S. PALEY
ANKA K. PALITZ

SHARON PATRICK*
MATTHEW RUBEL
CHARLES SEGARS
LISA SMITH CASHIN*
STEWART R. SMITH
MARTIN SOSNOFF*
SUTTON STRACKE
ANNE M. TATLOCK*
JEAN VOLPE
ALI WAMBOLD*
JOHN L. WARDEN, ESQ.
JOSEPH A. WILSON
LESLIE ZIFF*
DOUGLAS C. WURTH

* INDICATES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE