

## BALLET WEST FIRST LOOK PRESENTATIONS 2025-2026

BALLET WEST FIRST LOOK PRESENTATIONS 2024-2025 First Look is a program aimed at Jr. High and High school students. Each year, students are invited to a preview performance of Ballet West's current show. Students get an inside look at the inner workings of a ballet performance before the show opens to the public, a unique opportunity to sit in on Dress Rehearsals of Ballet West active repertory.

**This invitation is extended to Students from Grades 7 and Higher, as well as Teachers from any level of teaching.**

First Look features the entire evening of repertory, with a pre-performance discussion led by a member of the Ballet West Education staff. We have the ability to accept groups as small as one or two students, teachers attending on their own or large groups attending together. Parent chaperones are welcome as well. We're very flexible. This must be arranged through the teacher of any particular group. Please share this opportunity with other faculty members who may be interested in taking advantage of this unique event for their students and themselves.

All Performances are at the Janet Quinney Lawson Capitol Theater, 50 West 200 South, SLC, Utah

**Reserve early - seating is limited.** To reserve seats or for questions, please contact us at **801-869-6911** or **education@balletwest.org**

All attendees may request a student/teacher Getting the Pointe workshop to supplement and enhance their attendance at a Ballet West student in-theater presentation. This offering is available through in-person or virtual zoom opportunities. Availability is limited. For more information or to request to attend a student in-theater presentation, please call 801-869-6911 or email education@balletwest.org

*\*\*All performances are subject to change*



PRINCIPAL ARTISTS KATLYN ADDISON & JORDAN VEIT | PHOTO BY BEAU PEARSON

### ROMEO & JULIET

William Shakespeare's 1594 great and timeless romantic tragedy is brought to the stage in dance with choreography by Michael Smuin and accompanied by the well-known Sergei Prokofiev music. Set against brilliant costumes and set designs, the choreography incorporates an exciting period sword fighting. This presentation provides an excellent opportunity to connect to core-curriculum concepts, and cross curriculum opportunities in reading the play. This also offers a stimulus in opening conversations about community's attitudes to others differences, and love and hate.

**Oct 23, 2025, Thurs. 6:30 PM**



ARTISTS OF BALLET WEST | PHOTO BY BEAU PEARSON

### THE DREAM

Mendelssohn's enchanting score in the comedic adaptation of Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream blends seamlessly into a magical forest filled with mischievous fairies and a comedic love story. Stravinsky's dramatic arrangement sets the stage for the powerful masterwork of Les Noces, a revolutionary work by Bronislava Nijinska, one of the few prominent female choreographers of her era who empowered women and challenged cultural norms.

**Nov 6, 2025, Thurs. 6:30 PM**



DEMI-SOLOIST LEXI MCCLOUD & CORPS ARTIST WILLIAM LYNCH  
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## PETER PAN

Soar into Neverland! This enchanting reimagining of Peter Pan features spectacular aerial choreography set to Sir Edward Elgar's sweeping score while delving into the adventurous story where shadows dance, mermaids enchant, and pirates entertain, all sprinkled with a magical layer of pixie dust. With costumes from Broadway great Jeanne Button, imaginative sets, and ethereal lighting, this spellbinding adventure will captivate audiences of all ages.

**Feb 12, 2026, Thurs. 6:30 PM**



ARTIST OF BALLET WEST II | PHOTO BY BEAU PEARSON

## THE LEGEND OF SLEEPY HOLLOW

New Family Classics Production! Witness the thrilling tale of The Legend of Sleepy Hollow come to life on stage in this family-friendly performance, complete with narration and running just over an hour.

**March 26, 2026, Thurs. 6:15 PM**



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## WEST SIDE STORY SUITE

**Recommended Grades: 4-12**

Broadway on Stage with Legendary Choreographers! This captivating program brings legendary choreographers Jerome Robbins and Christopher Wheeldon paired with beloved musical scores that will stir the soul. From the theatrical West Side Story Suite to the heart-warming Carousel (A Dance) and mesmerizing gems of Antique Epigraphs and After the Rain Pas de Deux, comes a diverse evening of dance.

**April 9, 2026, Thurs. 7:30 PM**