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Northwest Florida Ballet to Hold Company and Trainee Program Auditions

April 11, 2011 – Fort Walton Beach, Fla. – The Northwest Florida Ballet (NFB) is holding auditions for talented students seeking intensive pre-professional training in dance and performance on Saturday, May 14th.

Dancers wishing to audition for the Trainee Program must have three years of formal training and must be 10 – 13 years of age. Trainees will audition on May 14th from 9:00 - 10:30 am.

Dancers wishing to audition for the NFB Company must be at least 13 years of age and have at least six years of formal training, including two years of pointe experience. Company auditions will be May 14th from 10:30 am – 12:00 pm.

The dress code for female dancers will be a dark, solid color leotard, pink tights and ballet slippers. Those auditioning for the Company will need to bring pointe shoes as well. Hair should be arranged neatly in a bun and no jewelry or warm-up clothes will be permitted. Male dancers should wear black or gray tights, a solid color tee shirt and black or white ballet shoes.

Both auditions will be held at the NFB studios at 310 Perry Ave. SE, Fort Walton Beach. There is an audition fee of \$20. All auditionees must register in advance. Please call Rhonda Starnes for more information at (850) 664-7787 or visit nfballet.org.

Professional dancers can audition by appointment. Please send a resume and recent performance DVD to 310 Perry Ave. SE, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548.

The Northwest Florida Ballet celebrates its 42nd year as a regionally recognized semi-professional ballet company and school. In addition, NFB has developed the nationally acclaimed Académie – an integrated academic and dance education program serving 140 students from the third to eighth grade. The NFB is led by Artistic Director and CEO Todd Eric Allen, an area native. The NFB is funded in part by the Florida Arts Council.

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