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Join Northwest Florida Ballet for a FREE Performance Under The Stars

June 7, 2011 – Fort Walton Beach, Fla. – The Northwest Florida Ballet (NFB) invites dance lovers to join us for a free community performance of "Starlight Ballet" at Rosemary Beach on June 19 at 7:30 pm.

This popular annual performance of dance under the stars will feature NFB company dancers and international guest artists performing a mixed repertoire of classic and modern works.

The program will consist of excerpts from *Cinderella*, *Romeo & Juliet*, *Dracula* and classical variations from *Le Corsaire* and *Diana and Actaeon*.

Concert goers will also be treated to "Superabundant Beings," a contemporary ballet by Shari Allen, "This Is A Test," a new piece by Todd Eric Allen and a premiere by Ian Carney, "The Ugly Duckling."

NFB Summer Workshop students will be featured in a Fosse inspired piece choreographed by J Ryan Carroll. These are students from the local area and abroad who are studying with NFB guest artists for the month of June.

A map and directions to the performance are available on the NFB website at nfballet.org. The Northwest Florida Ballet offices can be reached at (850) 664-7787.

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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