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Dear Patrons of the Arts:

November 1, 2020

**Thank You!** Thank you from all of us at the State Ballet of Rhode Island and for taking the time to consider supporting us again or for considering to support for the very first time. With your support, we continue to create, to present, to preserve and extend the great repertoire of classical dancing to the widest possible audience, now in many new ways.

**Covid 19** hits us all: Of course things are not the same but we are continuing all that we can do while being safe. Dancers are working/training in smaller groups. Masks are worn at all times while constantly cleaning our rehearsal space.

**October 5<sup>th</sup>** 2020 the State Ballet was able to do an 11<sup>th</sup> year of collaboration with the Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation Flames of Hope event outside at Slaters Park in Pawtucket, RI. It was an outstanding success and rewarding experience for all once again.

**The best news at** the moment was hearing from RI Commerce saying The State Ballet of Rhode Island has received a \$35,000 “Take It Outside” grant to create an outside stage at the ballet company’s location. As you know, theatres are closed and the safest way to perform would be outside using masks while continuing social distancing. One challenging stipulation is that we must perform on the stage before December 31.

**Our plan: WE HAVE HOPE.** We love collaborating with the community so this is the plan. On November 22<sup>nd</sup> beginning at 1:30pm The State Ballet of Rhode Island will perform Herci Marsden’s act 3 Ballet Divertissement, from “Coppelia” with SBRI principal dancer Ashley Pabon and guest artist Josh Thake, from Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo.

**Also joining us** at this **WORK IN PROGRESS EVENT** we have The Exiles, instrumental music from Ireland and features the award winning step dancer Kevin Doyle. And from our friends at The Arctic Playhouse, a musical story telling journey by Ida Zecco presenting excerpts from her show “Stars and Dreams” along with pianist Jim Rice. (Rain/snow date Nov.29) Then, with your help, in the spring and summer we plan to have more outdoor performances for you!

For all to enjoy, please consider any supporting gift so The State Ballet of Rhode Island can continue producing exciting programs through performance and educational programming outdoors. You can support by sending in a check or calling in with a credit card. You can also go directly to [www.stateballet.com](http://www.stateballet.com) and make your membership donation there.

I wish you and your families well!

With appreciation,  
Ana Marsden Fox, Executive Director, SBRI

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Patron	\$100.00-199.00
Bronze Patron	\$200.00-349.00
Silver Patron	\$350.00-499.00
Gold Patron	\$500.00-999.00 ✓ Two complimentary tickets to a SBRI event
Golden Benefactor	\$1,000.00+ ✓ Four complimentary tickets to a SBRI event

With your donation received by December 31 your name will be included in SBRI's souvenir book by December 31

Enclosed is my tax-deductible donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ made payable to:

### The State Ballet of Rhode Island

P.O. Box 155, Lincoln, RI 02865-0155

Website for credit card

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