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**BOCA BALLET THEATRE CELEBRATES “*GISELLE*”  
SUCCESS AT J ALEXANDER’S**

**Boca Raton FL** (August, 2016) – After the Saturday night performance of the stunningly beautiful [*Giselle*], dancers, patrons and friends of Boca Ballet Theatre gathered at J Alexander’s in Boca Raton where General Manager Carl LeMaster greeted guests with warm hospitality, delicious food and great drink selections.

Prior to the après, Boca Ballet Theatre’s production of “*Giselle*” was applauded by the patrons who gave a standing ovation to professional dancers Bridgett Zehr, formerly of English National Ballet, as Giselle; Gray Davis, from American Ballet Theatre, as Albrecht; Nicole Miratov, from Ballet de l’Opera National De Bordeaux, as Myrtha; also Shannon Smith; Ted Negus; and Sanjay Saverimuttu from Louisville Ballet.

“We are so grateful to have amazing professional dancers join the cast of *Giselle*”, said co-artistic director Dan Guin, “they trained and performed with our summer intensive students and created beauty”.

Boca Ballet Theatre’s Summer Intensive Performance Workshop culminated in the production of *Giselle*. The artistic directors that taught this summer used this directive as an audition for their company, 2<sup>nd</sup> company and apprentice or training positions. The artistic directors were: Paul Vasterling, from Nashville Ballet; Victoria Morgan, from Cincinnati Ballet; Devon Carney, from Kansas City Ballet; and Adam Sklute, from Ballet West.

The students also had amazing guest instructors: jazz classes with Jimmy Locust, professional dancer and choreographer, who has danced with superstar Michael Jackson; Dennis Lue, a Boca Ballet Theatre instructor taught modern and jazz pulling from his many years on Broadway; Larry Albright, an educator in the art of hip hop movement and culture; Heather Fryexll, former principal dancer with Southern Ballet Theatre (now Orlando Ballet) and modern taught by Demetrius Klein, professional dancer and choreographer.

Photos:

Photo #1: Councilman Robert Weinroth, Bridgett Zehr, Jane Tyree, Gray Davis

Photo #2: Edith and Martin Stein

Photo#3: Arlene Herson and Dr Janne Lomasky

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**About Boca Ballet Theatre:** Established in 1990, BBT is a nonprofit, award-winning civic ballet company that trains dance students, entertains audiences, and inspires the community through successful outreach programs. Under the guidance of Co-Artistic Directors Dan Guin and Jane Tyree, the mission is to enrich the cultural landscape of our community and educate its youth in classical ballet and concert dance through focused training, interaction with professional dancers and participation in full-length ballets and contemporary choreography. For more information please visit [www.bocaballet.org](http://www.bocaballet.org) or call 561-995-0709.