

***For Immediate Release***

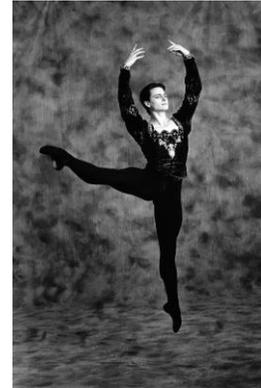
Jacqui Geifman, PR/Marketing Associate  
Work: 561-995-0709, Cell: 312-405-9133  
[jgeifman@bocaballet.org](mailto:jgeifman@bocaballet.org)



Boca Ballet Theatre's *Swan Lake*  
Photo by Bill Howard



Sara Mearns  
Principal Dancer  
New York City Ballet  
Photo by Paul Kolnik



Simon Ball  
Principal Dancer  
Houston Ballet

**Boca Ballet Theatre's *Swan Lake* to Feature Guest Artists Sara Mearns and Simon Ball**

BOCA RATON, FL – Considered one of the most famous of classical ballets, *Swan Lake* continues to mesmerize audiences after more than 100 years, while also inspiring new generations of dancers. Boca Ballet Theatre's production features renowned guest artists Sara Mearns, Principal Dancer of New York City Ballet, and Simon Ball, Principal Dancer of Houston Ballet. Ms. Mearns is best known for performing the double role of Odile/Odette, while Mr. Ball is credited for his role as Prince Siegfried.

We are proud to welcome Ms. Mearns to our stage, and are equally pleased that Mr. Ball will return to our stage after charming audiences as Romeo in 2013's *Romeo and Juliet*.

Mr. Ball shares his thoughts on performing as the Prince: "I think the most interesting thing about the Prince in *Swan Lake* is that he has high expectations and holds out for a more pure, albeit more challenging brand of love. I think that you can look at the story symbolically and sympathize with this type of character who finds a love that is always just out of reach."

Subsequently, Ms. Mearns expresses her sentiments about the role of Odette/Odile as "the most famous, coveted, and sought after role of any ballerina. It is the first ballet that most dancers get to know, and all dancers know the music. It is the most challenging, technically and emotionally, of any classical role. It takes years to truly understand the character and be able to become the swan."

This is a hauntingly beautiful performance that you will not want to miss! Boca Ballet Theatre's lavish production is staged after the original choreography of Marius Petipa and Lev Ivanov, and set to the music of Peter Tchaikovsky.

***Swan Lake* Performances**

Friday, August 1 @ 7pm

Saturday, August 2 @ 8pm

Sunday, August 3 @ 2pm

Venue: Olympic Heights Performing Arts Theater, 20101 Lyons Rd., Boca Raton, 33429.

\$20 - \$35 for adults, \$10 - \$25 for children & seniors.

Call 561.995.0709 or visit <http://bocaballet.org/box-office/> to purchase tickets.