



Atlanta Dance Theatre Performs All Season

Atlanta Dance Theatre has been presenting *Babes In Toyland* for sixteen consecutive holiday seasons... and each spring for the past eight years, the company has shared a different classic family ballet. This season, ADT presents a collection of scenes from our favorite ballets to commemorate the silver anniversary. *Fairytale Favorites* will include scenes from *Hansel & Gretel*, *Cinderella*, and *Sleeping Beauty*, along with some special anniversary surprises. But what else does ADT do?

As an Honor company with the Southeastern Regional Ballet Association (SERBA), ADT takes part in the annual festival — sharing selections of the season's repertory works with other Association members and attending master classes. This year, SERBA members are participating in a national festival as part of Regional Dance America, the parent organization. The national festival will be held in April in Pittsburgh, PA.

Where can you see these talented dancers perform locally? Each dance season (running September to June) is a little different. In past seasons, ADT has performed at such events as the Alpharetta holiday tree lighting, Inman Park Festival, and in collaboration or alongside other companies such as Good Moves contemporary dance company at xxxx Theater, International City Ballet (Macon, GA) and Festival Ballet (Stockbridge, GA). These opportunities to share our gifts with other dancers and audiences help round out the season for the company.

This season you can see ADT show repertory works at two local festivals. "Stone" and "Bolero" will be presented at **Jazz On Tap** at Southern Polytechnic March 2-3. This festival includes jazz, modern, and tap pieces presented by local as well as traveling companies. Master classes are also offered. The following weekend (March 9-10) the company will share "Tempest In The Middle" and "Donizetti With a Touch of xxx" at **BalletFest**, also at Southern Polytechnic in Marietta. Please come support Atlanta Dance Theatre!

Upcoming issues will offer more about SERBA, the national RDA festival, and ADT's repertory for this season. Show times and ticket information for **Jazz On Tap** and **BalletFest** will be distributed as they are available.

For more information about Atlanta Dance Theatre or questions about how to help us thrive, call 404-438-3028 or e-mail ADTinfo@mindspring.com.

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Fairytale Favorites

March 23-24, 2007
Roswell Cultural Arts Center

Friday, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday public shows
2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Tickets on sale now!
Call 404-438-3028

Upcoming Events...

Jazz On Tap
March 2-3, 2007

BalletFest
March 9-10, 2007

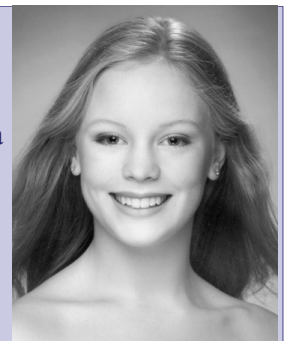
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front desk

Spotlight on...Katie Veldhuis

Pre-Pro Katie Veldhuis is easy to find among the sea of company dancers rehearsing any Saturday afternoon. She's the tall blonde with the infectious smile. Katie has a lot to smile about. This is her second year at the pre-professional level and has been dancing with ADT for five years. You've seen her most recently as the Moth Queen in this seasons's *Babes In Toyland*. Her favorite roles are Patriotic Doll in "Babes" and as part of the repertory piece "Incognito" from last season (remember the one with the bright red wigs?). In the upcoming "Fairytale Favorites" she will dance the roles of Fairy Godmother in the *Cinderella* scene and in Pas de Cinq for *Sleeping Beauty*.

Katie is a sophomore at South Forsyth High School, where she loves her literature class and sings in the chorus. She wants to continue studying dance when she goes to college, but her ultimate goal is to become an orthodontist! Her spare time is spent reading, going to football games, hanging out with her family, or shopping with "Bubby" (her grandmother).

Katie lives in Cumming with mom Kathy, dad Jon, and little sisters Taylor and Annie. Both sisters have been extras in ADT productions—you may have recognized their smiles.



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