

The Making of a Toe Show February 8, 2016 New York City Center

American Ballet Theatre dancers Skylar Brandt, Zhong-Jing Fang, Jamie Kopit and Calvin Royal III joined Youth America Grand Prix supporters at New York City Center, in a private rehearsal studio, for *The Making of a Pointe Shoe*.

YAGP Chair Emeritus Barbara Brandt led this lecture and demonstration exploring the relationship between the anatomy of the dancers' foot and the construction of a pointe shoe. Joining Barbara was Grishko representative Judy Weiss, and Capezio representative Anitra Keegan, who demonstrated on 13 year old ballet dancer Aliana Grieco's feet.



Aliana Grieco, Anitra Keegan, Jamie Kopit, Zhong Jing Fang, Judy Weiss and Barbara Brandt



Maxim Beloserkovsky, David Fox, Tara Mile, Irana Dvoroenko

Later, questions were taken from the audience and even former ABT Principal dancer, Irina Dvoroenko, answered a few from her seat. An intimate reception at a YAGP supporters home followed.

Among the guests were Maxim Beloserkovsky, Gary Brandt, Suzanne Dance, Linda Fell, Joan Firestone, David Fox, Sarah Frank, James Goldschmidt, Kim and Mason Granger, Cathy Hardwick, Brian Heidtke, Judith M. Hoffman, Latifa Kosta, Margot and Allen London, Tara Milne, Ellen Mondshine, Board Chair Linda K. Morse, Richard Osterweil, Howard S. Paley, Elizabeth Papadopoulous, Robert A. Shulman, and John L. Sills.

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