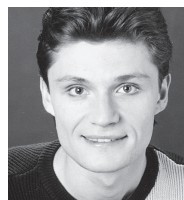




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Welcome to the 2016 Season



**GENNADI
SAVELLIEV**
President
and Founder



**LARISSA
SAVELLIEV**
Artistic Director
and Founder

DEAR FRIENDS, WELCOME TO THE 17TH SEASON OF YOUTH AMERICA GRAND PRIX! This season is dedicated to the loving memory of Shelley King – who, as YAGP's Director of Operations for the past 12 years, has changed countless young artists' lives by helping them realize their dreams of becoming professional dancers. As we continue to honor Shelley's dedication and passionate love for dance, we ask that you join us in celebrating her indomitable spirit.

We would like to introduce two newest members of our team who will be in charge of registration - Billie Buddenhagen and Justin Sebesta. As a former General Manager of Ballet Austin, Billie brings a wealth of professional experience to our organization – and, as a ballet mom herself, she has a thorough understanding of the perspective of participants, parents and teachers. She joins YAGP as Regional Director, with Justin as Regional Manager.

As the world's largest student ballet scholarship competition, YAGP constantly works to expand its global network of dance. This year, we are thrilled to announce two new semi-final locations: Beijing, People's Republic of China and Salt Lake City in the United States. We hope that this will create greater access for more talented young dance artists to participate in YAGP's education and performance opportunities.

In an effort to make the NYC Finals experience more convenient and economical for participants and their families, we have chosen a new venue for the Finals and Gala: the Howard Gilman Opera House at the Brooklyn Academy of Music. As America's oldest performing arts institution, it has a rich history of presenting venerable dance institutions like ABT, Mariinsky Ballet and many others – and is conveniently located within walking distance of the modern and spacious Mark Morris Dance Studios, where master classes will be held.

We hope you will find these changes as exciting as we do – and look forward to seeing you in the upcoming season!

YAGP 2016 EVENTS AT NYC FINALS

FINALS

Jack H. Skirball Center for the Performing Arts at NYU
April 21-26, 2016

THE FINAL ROUND*

Howard Gilman Opera Theater at the Brooklyn Academy of Music
April 27, 2015

Open to the general public, the final round gives the top YAGP finalists a chance to perform before the leaders of the international dance community prior to the announcement of the scholarship awards. It is a unique opportunity to see some of the world's most talented young dancers before they disperse to continue their dance studies at leading dance academies all over the world, or to join companies.

YAGP 2016 GALA*

“STARS OF TODAY MEET THE STARS OF TOMORROW”
Howard Gilman Opera Theater at the Brooklyn Academy of Music
April 28, 2015

Youth America Grand Prix's "Stars of Today Meet the Stars of Tomorrow" Gala attracts not only dance professionals from all over the world, but also a large audience representing the New York dance community. A culmination of the YAGP 2015 NYC Finals, it features the best student performances alongside some of the world's most celebrated professional dance artists.

2016 SEASON SEMI-FINALS

INTERNATIONAL

Buenos Aires, Argentina:
August 22-24, 2015
Sao Paulo, Brazil:
September 15-20, 2015
Cordoba, Mexico:
October 26-29, 2015
Paris, France:
October 29-
November 1, 2015
**Beijing, People's
Republic of China:**
November 13-16, 2015
Osaka Japan:
November 18-22, 2015

UNITED STATES

Tampa, FL:
January 8-10, 2016
Seattle, WA:
January 8-10, 2016
Austin, TX:
January 15-17, 2016
Philadelphia, PA:
January 15-17, 2016
Atlanta, GA:
January 22-24, 2016
Los Angeles, CA:
January 22-24, 2016
Dallas, TX:
January 28-31, 2016
San Diego, CA:
January 29-31, 2016
Chicago, IL:
February 5-7, 2016
Pittsburgh, PA:
February 5-7, 2016

Las Vegas, NV:
February 12-14, 2016
Denver, CO:
February 19-21, 2016
Houston, TX:
February 26-28, 2016
Salt Lake City, UT:
February 25-28, 2016
Indianapolis, IN:
March 4-6, 2016
San Francisco, CA:
March 4-7, 2016
Boston, MA:
March 18-20, 2016

FINALS

New York, NY:
April 22-29, 2016

Judges, teachers and scholarship presenters



PATRICK ARMAND
Associate Director
San Francisco Ballet School
USA



PATRICIA BARKER
Artistic Director
Grand Rapids Ballet
USA



JAN BROECKX
Artistic Director
Ballett-Akademie of the University of
Music and Performing Arts Munich,
GERMANY



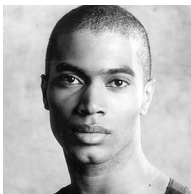
DIERDRE MILES BURGER
Director
Orlando Ballet School
USA



PEDRO CARNEIRO
Director
Dance School of the National
Conservatory of Lisbon
PORTUGAL



FRANCO DE VITA
Principal
ABT JKO School
USA



CARLOS DOS SANTOS
International Choreographer
and Master Teacher
The Ailey School
USA



KEE JUAN HAN
Director
The Washington School
of Ballet
USA



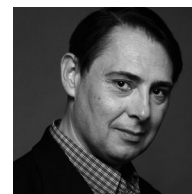
SUSAN JAFFE
Dean of Dance
University of North Carolina
School of the Arts
USA



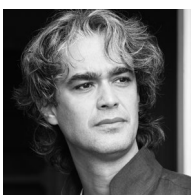
JAY JOLLEY
Leading Faculty Member
Royal Ballet School
UK



ALEXEI KREMNEV
Director
The Joffrey Ballet School
USA



RAYMOND LUKENS
Artistic Associate, ABT/NYU
Masters Degree Program
USA



LUCA MASALA
Artistic Director, Princess Grace
Academy of Classical Dance
MONACO



TADEUSZ MATA CZ
Director
John Cranko School of
Stuttgart Ballet
GERMANY



CLAUDIO MUNOZ
Ballet Master
Houston Ballet II
USA



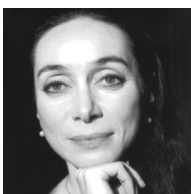
PHILIP NEAL
Former Principal Dancer, New
York City Ballet/Repetiteur
George Balanchine Trust
USA



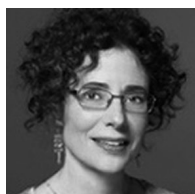
PETER QUANZ
Director of Q Dance
CANADA



LISA PAVANE
Director
The Australian Ballet School
AUSTRALIA



ELISABETH PATEL
Director
Paris Opera Ballet School
FRANCE



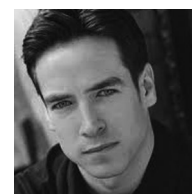
WENDY PERRON
Editor at Large
Dance Magazine
USA



SHELLY POWER
Associate Director
Houston Ballet's Ben
Stevenson Academy
USA



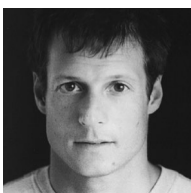
CHRISTOPHER POWNEY
Artistic Director,
The Royal Ballet School
UK



SASCHA RADETSKY
Former Soloist
American Ballet Theater
USA



STEFFI SCHERZER
Director of Zurich
Dance Academy
SWITZERLAND



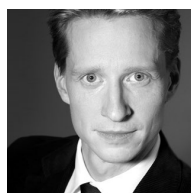
JOHN SELYA
Former Member
American Ballet Theatre/
Broadway Star
USA



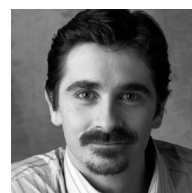
ADAM SKLUTE
Artistic Director
Ballet West
USA



BO SPASSOFF
Director
The Rock School for
Dance Education
USA



ETHAN STIEFEL
Former Artistic Director
Royal New Zealand Ballet
NEW ZEALAND



STANTON WELCH
Artistic Director
Houston Ballet
USA



ASHLEY WHEATER
Director
The Joffrey Ballet
USA



2015 New York City Award Winners

SENIOR AGE DIVISION | Ages 15-19

YOUTH GRAND PRIX

Not Awarded

CLASSICAL DANCE CATEGORY | WOMEN

GOLD MEDAL - Yu Kurihara, 16

Ikuko Watanabe Ballet Studio, JAPAN

SILVER MEDAL - Rio Anderson, 17

City Ballet School of San Francisco, CA, USA

BRONZE MEDAL - Bianca Scudamore, 15

Classical Coaching Australia, AUSTRALIA

CLASSICAL DANCE CATEGORY | MEN

GOLD MEDAL - Shogo Hayami, 18

John Cranko School Stuttgart Ballet, GERMANY

SILVER MEDAL - Austen Acevedo, 15

Orlando Ballet School, FL, USA

BRONZE MEDAL

Lang Ma, 19

The Washington School of Ballet, USA

JUNIOR AGE DIVISION | Ages 12-14

YOUTH GRAND PRIX

Shin-Yong Kim, 14

Sunhwa Arts Middle/High School,

REPUBLIC OF KOREA

CLASSICAL DANCE CATEGORY | WOMEN

GOLD MEDAL (TIE)

Maggie Chadbourne, 13

Orlando Ballet School, FL, US

Juliette Bosco, 12

Ellison Ballet, Professional Training Program, NY, USA

SILVER MEDAL - Kotomi Yamada, 12

Yamada Chie Sunny Ballet School, JAPAN

BRONZE MEDAL - Yeojin Shim, 14

Yewon School, REPUBLIC OF KOREA

CLASSICAL DANCE CATEGORY | MEN

GOLD MEDAL - Liam Boswell, 14

Next Generation Ballet at the Patel Conservatory, FL, USA

SILVER MEDAL - Yago Guerra, 13

Bale Jovem de Sao Vicente, BRAZIL

BRONZE MEDAL - Ryu Bautista, 14

The McDonald College of Performing Arts, AUSTRALIA

PRE-COMPETITIVE AGE DIVISION | Ages 9-11

HOPE AWARD

Antonio Casalinho, 11

Annarella Academia de Ballet e Dança,

PORTUGAL

WOMEN

GOLD MEDAL - Satya Tranfield, 11

Charleston Ballet Theatre Center for Dance
Education, SC, USA

SILVER MEDAL - Tate McRae, 11

YYC Dance Project, CANADA

BRONZE MEDAL - Avery Gay, 10

Master Ballet Academy, AZ, USA

MEN

GOLD MEDAL - Itsuku Masuda, 11

K.Classic Ballet Studio, JAPAN

SILVER MEDAL - Brady Farrar, 9

Stars Dance Studio, FL, USA

BRONZE MEDAL - David Perez, 11

En Pro del Talento Veracruzano, MEXICO

ENSEMBLES

GOLD MEDAL - Danse Boheme from Carmen
Ellison Ballet, Professional Training Program

SILVER MEDAL - Caucassian Dance
Annarella Academia de Ballet e Dança

BRONZE MEDAL - Vicissitude
The Rock School for Dance Education, USA

PAS DE DEUX

GOLD MEDAL - Ye Lim Choi (19),
Sun Woo Lee (18)

Korea National University of Arts, REPUBLIC OF KOREA

SILVER MEDAL - Juliette Bosco (12),
Theophilus Pilette (15)

Ellison Ballet – Professional Training Program, USA

BRONZE MEDAL (TIE)

Mo Cen Zhao (15) Zachary Downer (17)

The Rock School for Dance Education, USA

Tate McRae (11), Lazaro Corrales (12)

School of Alberta Ballet, CANADA

SPECIAL AWARDS

OUTSTANDING CHOREOGRAPHER AWARD

Mimmo Miccolis

GRISHKO AWARD - Juliette Bosco

OUTSTANDING ARTISTRY AWARD

PRESENTED BY DANCE EUROPE MAGAZINE

Shogo Hayami

Meet the Winners

Youth Grand Prix

Shin-Yong Kim, 14
Sunhwa Arts
Middle/High School,
Republic of Korea



Gold Medal

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Orlando Ballet
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YAGP 2016 Awards

Scholarship Awards

INTERNATIONAL

AUSTRALIAN BALLET SCHOOL (AUSTRALIA)
CANADA'S NATIONAL BALLET SCHOOL (CANADA)
CANADA'S ROYAL WINNIPEG BALLET SCHOOL (CANADA)
DUTCH NATIONAL BALLET SCHOOL (NETHERLANDS)
THE JOHN CRANKO SCHOOL OF STUTTGART BALLET (GERMANY)
BALLET ACADEMY - UNIVERSITY OF MUSIC
AND PERFORMING ARTS, MUNICH (GERMANY)
NEW ZEALAND SCHOOL OF DANCE (NEW ZEALAND)
PALUCCA SCHOOL, DRESDEN (GERMANY)
PARIS OPERA BALLET SCHOOL (FRANCE)
PRINCESS GRACE ACADEMY (MONACO)
THE ROYAL BALLET SCHOOL (UNITED KINGDOM)
ZURICH DANCE ACADEMY (SWITZERLAND)

UNITED STATES

THE AILEY SCHOOL
AMERICAN BALLET THEATRE JKO SCHOOL
AMERICAN BALLET THEATRE SUMMER INTENSIVES
BALLET WEST ACADEMY
BOLSHOI SUMMER ACADEMY SUMMER INTENSIVE
THE HARID CONSERVATORY
HOUSTON BALLET ACADEMY
THE JOFFREY BALLET SCHOOL
THE JUILLIARD SCHOOL
NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF THE ARTS
THE ROCK SCHOOL FOR DANCE EDUCATION
SAN FRANCISCO BALLET SCHOOL
THE SCHOOL AT JACOB'S PILLOW
THE WASHINGTON SCHOOL OF BALLET



Special Awards

GRAND PRIX AWARD

Best overall performance in Senior age division

YOUTH GRAND PRIX AWARD

Best overall performance in Junior age division

HOPE AWARD

Best overall performance in Pre-Competitive age division

OUTSTANDING TEACHER AWARD

Presented by Dance Teacher Magazine

OUTSTANDING SCHOOL AWARD

Presented by Pointe Magazine

OUTSTANDING CHOREOGRAPHER AWARD

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OUTSTANDING ARTISTRY AWARD

Presented by Dance Europe Magazine

THE SHELLEY KING AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

THE MARY DAY ARTISTRY AWARD

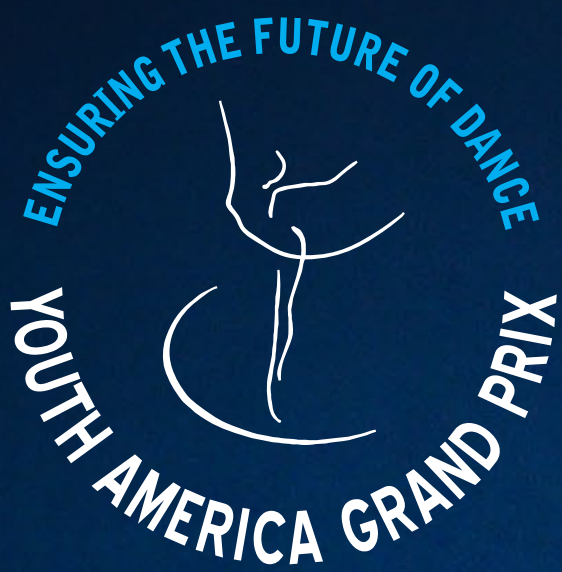
OUTSTANDING CONTEMPORARY DANCER AWARD

GRISHKO MODEL SEARCH AWARD

DISCOUNT DANCE SUPPLY MODEL SEARCH AWARD*

*Limited to participants in the Los Angeles, CA Semi-Final only

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SEMYON CHUDIN (BOLSHOI BALLET) AND EKATERINA KONDAUROVA (MARIINSKY BALLET) PERFORMING AT THE YAGP 2015 GALA.

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