

INSPIRATION AND TRANSFORMATION:

Swan Lake's

# Odette & Odile



NEW YORK CITY BALLET | 2022 ANNUAL LUNCHEON



From top left: George Balanchine rehearsing *Swan Lake* onstage; Suzanne Farrell and Jacques d'Amboise rehearsing *Swan Lake*; Kay Mazzo and Adam Luders performing in NYCB's 1976 production of *Swan Lake*; NYCB Principal Dancer Sara Mearns performing in the role of Odette.

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Thursday, May 26, 2022

11:00 AM Onstage Program

12:30 PM Luncheon on the Promenade

David H. Koch Theater at Lincoln Center

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## EVENT CHAIRS

Kathryn Beal

Lauren Duff

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Lu Leng Chua

Danielle Taubman

Melissa Vlak

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## MODERATED BY

Donya Archer Bommer

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## FEATURING

MEGAN FAIRCHILD

MARIA KOWROSKI

KAY MAZZO

SARA MEARNS

WENDY WHELAN

This year's program, *Inspiration and Transformation: Swan Lake's Odette & Odile*, will explore how this iconic ballet has impacted generations of dancers, students, and audience members alike. Past and present NYCB artists will reflect on the rigorous preparation that goes into the virtuosic role of Odette/Odile and the artistic range that the ballet requires of all dancers. The story has dazzled audiences around the world in countless theaters, classrooms, studios, and homes, from performances on our very own stage to students participating in our education and access programs.

Complemented by performance excerpts, demonstration, as well as interviews and personal stories, we hope you will join us for this intimate program as we take a deeper look into the transformative power of this timeless classic.

with excerpts performed by  
**New York City Ballet Dancers**



Wendy Whelan in the role of *Swan Lake's* Odile.

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**NEW YORK CITY BALLET**  
remains committed to the safety  
of our audiences.

Proof of full vaccination will be required  
of all attendees to enter the event.

Please note that further requirements,  
such as a negative PCR test within 72 hours of the  
event may be required.

Further details will be announced closer  
to the date, and we will strictly adhere  
to CDC and NYC health protocols in place at the  
time of the Annual Luncheon.

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† In Memoriam  
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