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## Greta Hodgkinson and Etienne Lavigne Wed

July 8, 2008... Principal Dancer **Greta Hodgkinson** and First Soloist **Etienne Lavigne** were married on July 4, 2008 in Toronto, Canada at Graydon Hall Manor. The couple met while performing with The National Ballet of Canada and was joined by family and friends for an intimate, bilingual ceremony this past weekend.

Ms. Hodgkinson has been a Principal Dancer since 1996. She has performed every leading role in the classical repertoire as well as many works by the world's leading contemporary choreographers such as William Forsythe, Glen Tetley, Jirí Kylián, Jerome Robbins, John Neumeier and Christopher Wheeldon. She has an impressive Balanchine repertoire as well, having performed his seminal works, including *Theme and Variations*, *Tchaikovsky Pas de Deux*, *Terpsichore* in *Apollo* and *Diamonds and Rubies* from *Jewels*.

Mr. Lavigne was promoted to First Soloist in 2007. With The National Ballet of Canada, Mr. Lavigne's repertoire includes leading roles in *Swan Lake*, *The Taming of the Shrew*, *The Sleeping Beauty*, *The Merry Widow*, *Romeo and Juliet*, *Madame Butterfly* and *The Firebird*. In addition, he has performed the lead man in *Song of the Earth*, the second movement principal man in *Symphony in C*, the pas de trois in *Voluntaries* and leading roles in *Désir*, *Musings*, *A Delicate Battle*, *Monotones* and *Polyphonia*.

Both Ms. Hodgkinson and Mr. Lavigne will perform in The National Ballet of Canada's 2008/09 season which opens on November 5, 2008 with Twyla Tharp's *In The Upper Room* and George Balanchine's *Symphony in C*.

[Full biography of Greta Hodgkinson >](#)

[Full biography of Etienne Lavigne >](#)

The 2008/09 season is presented by CTV and The Globe and Mail.

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