

Greta Hodgkinson Celebrates 20th Anniversary in Jerome Robbins' *Other Dances* June 15 – 19, 2011

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April 5, 2011... **Karen Kain**, Artistic Director of The National Ballet of Canada, today announced that **Jerome Robbins' *Other Dances*** has been added to the summer mixed programme to celebrate Principal Dancer **Greta Hodgkinson's** 20th anniversary with the company. *Other Dances* will be presented with **George Balanchine's *Mozartiana*** and **Twyla Tharp's *In The Upper Room*** June 15 – 19, 2011 at the Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts.

Ms. Hodgkinson performs *Other Dances* with fellow Principal Dancer **Zdenek Konvalina**. Originally created for Natalia Makarova and Mikhail Baryshnikov in 1976, this exquisite pas de deux is set to four mazurkas and one waltz by Chopin and pays homage to the fluidity of classical ballet technique through its simplicity and virtuosity.

Mozartiana was George Balanchine's second ballet set to Tchaikovsky's homage to Mozart and is one of the last ballets he created before his death. *In The Upper Room* is quintessential Twyla Tharp, set to a mesmerizing score by **Philip Glass**, the work weds speed and shapeliness, vigor and intricacy in an unforgettable choreographic vision.

Mozartiana & Other Dances & In The Upper Room

Wednesday June 15 at 7:30 pm
Thursday, June 16 at 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm
Friday, June 17 at 7:30 pm
Saturday, June 18 at 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm
Sunday, June 19 at 2:00 pm

The 2010/11 season is presented by CTV and The Globe and Mail.

Mozartiana is a gift from THE VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE, THE NATIONAL BALLET OF CANADA.

In The Upper Room is a gift from Walter Carsen, O.C.

Zdenek Konvalina is sponsored through *Dancers First* by Gretchen Ross.

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Heather Ogden, Piotr Stanczyk, Sonia Rodriguez, Aleksandar Antonijevic, Bridgett Zehr, Guillaume Côté, Xiao Nan Yu, Zdenek Konvalina, Greta Hodgkinson. Photos by Sian Richards.



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