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The History of Sadler's Wells Theatre

Sadler's Wells has been a place of entertainment for Londoners for 303 years. Founded by Richard Sadler as a Musick House on the site of a well discovered and commercially exploited by him, the theatre thrived in an area developing fast after the Great Fire of London with other wells and pleasure gardens in the vicinity.

The theatre was rebuilt in 1765, after which followed a period of great success; Joey Grimaldi first appeared in 1770, establishing a reputation as probably the greatest clown in

history, as well as being a tragic actor.

By the beginning of the nineteenth century, Islington was becoming less rural, and the theatre was an integral part of the London theatre scene. In 1803 Mr Charles Dibdin, the Theatre Manager, brought new fame to the theatre by replacing the stage with a water tank and staging Naval Battles in the tank; the war with France and the patriotic fervour sweeping the country ensured these performances were a hugh success. In 1844, the theatre was leased by Mr Samuel Phelps, and became the Theatre Royal, Sadler's Wells, under Royal Patronage when its reputation was re-established with high class Shakespearean productions. During the last part of the century, Sadler's Wells underwent many alterations and changes of use, including becoming a Music Hall, finally becoming a dilapidated 'Advertising Station' at the turn of the century.

Up until 1925, the theatre was a cinema, boxing ring and eventually derelict, being offered for sale for industrial use; then it was rescued and completely rebuilt by the legendary Lilian Baylis, who reopened it in 1931 with a performance of Shakespeare's Twelfth Night. The Wells was the Old Vic's North London couterpart, both being managed by Lilian Baylis; the Vic-Wells Association still fosters links between the two theatres. The Vic and the Wells began their partnership by interchanging their opera, ballet and drama performances, but by the mid thirties it was apparent that opera and ballet were more popular at the Wells. The outstanding success of the ballet company under Ninette de Valois, and Sadler's Wells Opera meant that by the end of the war both these companies were unofficial 'National' companies. This was acknowledged when the Sadler's Wells Ballet moved to the Royal Opera House and was given a Royal Charter in 1956. When the opera company moved to the Coliseum it was shortly afterwards renamed the English National Opera.

After the opera company's move, Sadler's Wells set out in a new rôle as the major showcase for the best international and British Dance, Ballet and Opera companies; we are the home for Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet, who perform at the theatre regularly, as well as New Sadler's Wells Opera, whose existence is entirely due to business sponsorship and paying customers; it receives no public subsidy for its London seasons, but still captivates critics and public alike with the zest and freshness of its operetta, Gilbert & Sullivan and opera productions. Other regular visitors include Ballet Rambert, London Contemporary Dance Theatre, Whirligig Children's Theatre, Dance Umbrella, plus, over the past few years, such international companies as Cologne Opera, Merce Cunningham, Nanjo-Okomura Noh Company from Japan, Kabuki, Ballet de Montreal, Lindsay Kemp Company from Spain, Pina Bausch from Germany, the Hungarian State Puppet Company and the Royal Thai Ballet, to single out a few from many.

The present building is in need of modernisation and expansion; the first phase, the building of a new studio theatre with more rehearsal space has already begun, the building being finished, and the fitting out due for completion in the near future.

There are exciting plans for the development of the main theatre, which will allow us to give a better service to both our customers and our visiting companies; these plans require substantial funds, but once raised Sadler's Wells will be able to provide London with a modern theatre attuned to the needs of the times, and continue to expand the exciting and varied seasons we are proud to present.

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The vicissitudes of The Wells have been widely publicised. Following the demise of the GLC, immediate closure of the theatre was averted by timely support from commercial and statutory organisations. The Trust is extremely grateful for this support, but it cannot afford to be complacent; sponsorship is still needed to ensure its continued artistic success.

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The project was established in 1981 to help and encourage people in Islington to make the best possible use of the theatre and its' resources; subsequently it has expanded and now welcomes participants from all over London and indeed Great Britain.

As well as the activities listed below the project staff work with teachers and group leaders to devise long-term programmes geared to their requirements. Work with Islington schools and community organisations is a priority; if you are interested please contact us with ideas, opinions, comments and suggestions!

- School holiday workshops for children and young people aged 5-16.
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THE STUDIO THEATRE

If you walk down Arlington Way at the side of the theatre, you will see the beginnings of a brand new building – the Sadler's Wells Studio Theatre!

Work started with a generous grant of £502,000 from the GLC, the project continues through the generosity of such organisations as; Sadler's Wells Gala Committee, Baring Foundation, Chase Charity, City Parochial Foundation, Conoco, Cripplegate Foundation, Grove Trust, Nationwide Building Society, New Moorgate Trust Fund and Pilgrim Trust. This new theatre will seat around 167 people, it will also house a rehearsal space and plans include a bar and cafe area.

However the Trust still needs more funds to complete and equip the Studio Theatre which will play a large part in our expanding Community Programme.

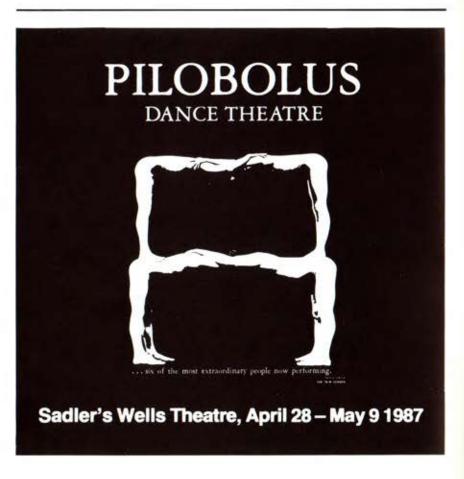
We are already in consultation with the people of Islington and the Inner London Education Authority to make sure that our studio theatre is fully used to present an increasing range of activities to an even broader section of the community.

For further information please contact: Theresa Beattie, Community and Education Manager, or Sheryl Aitcheson, Community Development Officer. Tel: 01-278 6563 ext 30.

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	LFB (the satellite company of London Festival Ballet)
April 21-25	Programmes include; The Dream is Over, the World premiere of Christopher Bruce's ballet based on the life and times of John Lennon, the London premieres of Michael Clark's Drop your Pearls and Hog it Girl, Kevin Haigen's Nocturne, and Ulysses Dove's as yet untitled work.
	Pilobolus from the U.S.A.
April 28-May 9	A highly original company of performers who combine dance and acrobatics to produce kaleidoscopes of moving body sculptures. British premieres include; Stabat Mater, Land's Edge, Televisation, and Lure.
	Ballet Rambert
May 12-23 Programme 1, May 12, 13, 14, 22, 23 Programme 2, May 15, 16, 18 Programme 3, May 19, 20, 21	Carmen Arcadiae (Page/Birtwhistle), Dutiful Ducks (Alston/ Amirkhanian), Rushes (Davies/Finnisy), Zansa (Alston/ Osborne). Pierrot Lunaire (Tetley/Schoenberg), Pulcinella (Alston/ Stravinsky). Dancing Day (Bruce/Holst), Ceremonies (Bruce/Shipley), Night with Waning Moon (Bruce/Crumb).
	Les Grands Ballets Canadians
June 9-20	Season includes three of Balanchine's most important works; Agon, Square Dance and Four Temperaments. Also featuring Tudor's Liliac Garden. Canadian choreography will be represented by Linda Rabin's Avec Brahms and Ginette Laurin's Tango Accelerando.
	Lindsay Kemp and Company
June 23-July 11 Programme 1 June 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30 Programme 2 July 2, 3, 4, 6	Flowers Based on Jean Genet's erotic prison fantasy 'Our Lady of
Programme 3 July 8, 9, 10, 11	the Flowers' The Big Parade A poignant and extravagant look at the silent movie era.
	The Merce Cunningham Dance Company
July 21-Aug. 1 Programme 1 July 21, 22, 23	Points in Space, Pictures, Grange Eve.
Programme 2 July 24, 25, 27 Programme 3	Duets, Shards, Fabrications Signals, Channels-Inserts, Grange Eve
July 28, 29 Programme 4 July 30, 31	Arcade, Quartet, Pictures

August 1st



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BATSHEVA DANCE COMPANY of ISRAEL

March 31 - April 5 1987

(no performance Friday 3rd April)

Artistic Advisor:

Robert Cohan

Artistic Director: Rehearsal Director: David Dvir Siki Kol

Ballet Master:

Jay Augen

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Sadler's Wells Theatre is supported by the London Boroughs Grant Committee and the London Borough of Islington.

A message from the Director, Sadler's Wells Theatre

It is an immense pleasure to welcome the Batsheva Dance Company to Sadler's Wells again and I have no doubt that you will enjoy their performance.

As is the case with the presentation of any Company, many people have been involved and have lent much valued support.

On behalf of the Chairman and Governors of Sadler's Wells Foundation, I would particularly extend appreciation to His Excellency, The Ambassador of Israel, Mr Yehuda Avner for his support of this season. We would also like to thank:

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In conclusion, may I thank Robert Cohan, Artistic Adviser to the Company, for his advice both to Sadler's Wells and to Batsheva in the planning of the season and all of the dancers and staff for being here and for their contribution to this performance.

Stephen Remington

Japhen Kentz

BATSHEVA DANCE COMPANY of ISBAEL

THE COMPANY

DANCERS

Osra Mizrahi
Alice Dor-Cohen
Tamar Gabay
Orna Livnat
Shelly Sheer
Daniela Slavik
Liat Steiner
Nira Triffon
Tami Vinig
Jay Augen
David Dvir

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PROGRAMME

SUITE EN BLEU

CHOREOGRAPHY MUSIC

COSTUMES LIGHTING

CAST

Gene Hill Sagan

J. S. Bach (Orchestral Suite No. 3)

Oded Gera Kevin McAlister Jay Augen

Shula Botney

Bruno De-Saint Chaffray

David Dvir Tamar Gabay Shai Guttesman Orna Livnat Haim Ohn Richard Orbach Shelly Sheer Daniela Slavik Liat Steiner Orit Vitory Tami Vinig

Running time: 22 minutes

- PAUSE -



Suite en Bleu

CANONIC STUDIES

CHOREOGRAPHY

MUSIC

Mark Morris

Piano Waltzes arranged by

Harriet Cavalli

COSTUMES Mark Morris
LIGHTING Kevin McAlister

CAST

Jay Augen Shula Botney

Tamar Gabay Natan Gardah Shai Guttesman Richard Orbach Daniela Slavik Liat Steiner Tami Vinig

PIANO

Philip Gammon

Running time: 15 minutes

INTERVAL OF 20 MINUTES



Canonic Studies



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CHOREOGRAPHY MUSIC COSTUMES LIGHTING CAST

Daniel Ezralow Tom Waits & Indonesian Music Daniel Ezralow Kevin McAlister

Shula Botney
Bruno De-Saint Chaffray
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Running time: 18 minutes

INTERVAL OF 20 MINUTES

Tami Vinig

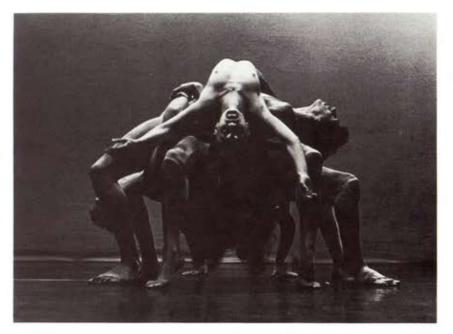
DOGFISH

CHOREOGRAPHY MUSIC

MUSIC MIX COSTUMES LIGHTING CAST Daniel Ezralow Andreas Vollenweider ("Steps Ahead") Daniel Ezralow Daniel Ezralow Kevin McAlister

Tamar Gabay Natan Gardah Shai Guttesman Erez Levy Orna Livnat Haim Ohn Liat Steiner Nira Triffon

Running Time: 30 minutes



Dogfish

Photo: Yoran Rubin

BATSHEVA DANCE COMPANY

On May 2, 1984, the Batsheva Dance Company celebrated its twentieth anniversary. The premiere of the Batsheva Dance Company in 1964, the year of its birth, turned into a major cultural event in Israel. Since then, the company has achieved world fame and success. Its frequent tours to Europe and the United States have won the company critical and public acclaim, as well as many prizes.

The list of the world's great choreographers who have worked with, contributed to, and created for the company speaks for itself: Martha Graham, Jerome Robbins, Glen Tetley, Norman Morrice, José Limon, Kurt Jooss, Anna Sokolow, Robert Cohan, Robert North, John Butler, Mark Morris, Christopher Bruce, David Parsons, Daniel Ezralow and many others.

At the same time, the company has encouraged Israeli choreographers (both company members and guests) such as Rena Gluck, Moshe Efrati, Rina Schenfeld, Oshra Elkayam-Ronen, Mirali Sharon, Ya'achov Sharir, Yair Vardi, Igal Perry and Siki Kol. It has also made extensive use of works by such Israeli composers as Oedoen Partos, Mordecai Seter, Paul Ben Haim, Noam Sheriff and Tzvi Avni, as well as fostering the work of Israeli designers such as Dani Karavan and David Sharir. In this way, the creative non-verbal performing arts of Israeli have been brought to the world's attention.

In order to ensure the company's continuity, Batsheva II was created in 1976, as a young company of dancers. Through performances of both companies at schools and places remote from large metropolitan areas, their audiences have had a chance to share a dance experience of high quality. The company travels from boundary to boundary to educate and develop a cultural audience in Israel, as well as to introduce dance to the country's youth.

Coinciding with the day-to-day turmoil in its country, Israel has created an unprecedented cultural life in music, theatre, and dance. Batsheva is one of its great institutions, and is still guided by the principles on which it was founded: the continuous search for the best of modern dance, maintaining the balance between international choreographers and original Israeli creations.

BIOGRAPHIES

Gene Hill Sagan

Gene Hill Sagan was born in Virginia. He danced with Madam Marcia Nevelska in New York, and also at the American Ballet Theatre School, He became a leading dancer with the first black classical company in America, and also danced with many American dance comapnies. In 1953 Sagan left the United States and spent eight years dancing with European companies and presenting his own dance concerts.

Gene Hill Sagan lived in Israel from 1969 to 1979, when he choreographed for the major Israeli dance companies. The work presented tonight is his fifth creation for Batsheva Dance Company. He has also choreographed for the Pennsylvania Dance Company, for the Geneva Opera Ballet and for the Royal Winnipeg Ballet. In addition to classical and modern techniques, Sagan has been deeply involved in primitive dance forms.

Mark Morris

Mark Morris lives in Seattle,
Washington, where he was born and
received his early dance training. He
has performed with the Eliot Feld
Ballet, The Lar Lubovitch Dance
Company, Laura Dean Dancers and
Musicians and Koleda Balkan Dance
Ensemble. He has choreographed
over 30 works for several American
dance companies as well as the
Mark Morris Dance Group in New
York and Seattle.

Mr. Morris has received grants from several arts agencies and recently received the New York Dance and Performance Award ("Bessie") for outstanding achievement as a choreographer. He also continues to teach and perform. Canonic Studies is his first work for the Batsheva Dance Company.

Daniel Ezralow

Daniel Ezralow was born and raised in California. He began his dance training at the age of 18 at UC Berkeley, and has performed and toured throughout the world with the companies Five By Two Plus, Lar Lubovitch, Paul Taylor, Pilobolus and Momix. In 1981 he choreographed for La Fete de l'humanité in Paris and for Berlin's Deutsche Oper in 1982. In addition he has created works for Pilobolus and Momix. In addition to his current work as the leading dancer, choreographer and co-director of Momix, Daniel Ezralow has presented concerts of his own dances in New York and has been featured in numerous solos and duets in Europe. His previous work Dogfish for Batsheva was highly acclaimed by critics and audiences alike. He also has choreographed. danced and acted in a film made in Italy by the famous director Lena Wertmuler.

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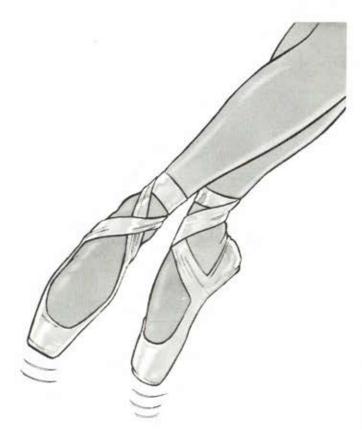
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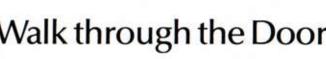












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