



# Desert Dream

• MAD HOT BALLET •

June 12, 2019

Presenting Sponsor



An unforgettable night of dance, music, fashion and food to raise over \$1 million in support of the National Ballet artists, performances and community programmes. Join us at MAD HOT BALLET and immerse yourself in the Desert Dream, where culture and ballet collide for a transcendent dance experience.



## MAD HOT BALLET: Desert Dream

By Rana Florida and Rochelle de Goias, 2019 Gala Co-Chairs

Human expression has fostered joy, community and understanding in societies across time and place, helping individuals to connect in meaningful ways. Arts and culture tap into this universal drive toward expression and enrich our lives immeasurably, whether by promoting a sense of wellbeing, sharing ideas, cultivating beauty or prompting self-reflection and imagination. Our cities and communities would be sterile without the arts and the creativity and emotion they impart. We feel that dance is an important part of arts and culture and a powerful form of human expression, one that enhances our quality of life and contributes to our individual and social growth.

We first became involved with The National Ballet of Canada because it is one of the world's premiere ballet companies, recognized for its artistry and diverse repertoire. As donors, volunteers and patrons, we hope to get the next generation excited about ballet and the accomplished body of work we have at this company. We get so much joy from giving back to the National Ballet that we want to open the experience to others and spark their enthusiasm for great dance.

This is why we are so honoured to serve as Co-Chairs of this year's MAD HOT BALLET gala, the company's largest fundraising event of the year. Our theme, Desert

Dream, will bring ballet lovers together to dine in the warm glow of the sultan's tent surrounded by rich, luxurious colours and textures. Moroccan and Berber rugs, silky drapes, plush poufs, pillows, lanterns and palms will whisk you away and lend atmosphere to the night's special performance. The desert fantasy will continue after the performance, when patrons will enjoy yet more entertainment with expressive belly dancers and bongo beats.

We hope you will join us for this wonderful event in support of The National Ballet of Canada and the captivating performances that inspire us all. ■

## MAD HOT LOTTERY

Win One of Four Spectacular Prizes

Royal de Versailles Jewellery

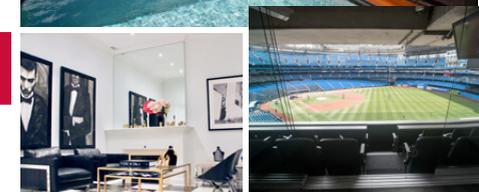
Hermitage Bay and Air Canada Holiday

Cabine Shopping Spree

Jays Care Foundation Baseball Experience

Lottery Tickets are \$50 each  
or 3 for \$100

The National Ballet of Canada Lottery Licence number: 10649.  
For rules and regulations, visit [madhotballet.ca](http://madhotballet.ca)  
Xiao Nan Yu. Elena Lobsanova. Photos by Karolina Kuras.



[madhotballet.ca](http://madhotballet.ca) 416 345 1944