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Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month with Flamenco BalletNova Festival Includes Workshops, Classes and Performance

<u>Falls Church, VA</u>: BalletNova Center for Dance is celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month with a special two-day festival focusing on flamenco dance on September 17 – 18, 2016 at the BalletNova studios, 3443 Carlin Springs Road, Falls Church, VA 22041.

There are two workshops, one for kids and one for adults, and a performance by Furia Flamenca Dance Company in the Fredgren Studio Theatre. **All with live music!**

Lecture/Demo for Kids

Saturday, 9/17 at 2:00 pm. \$10/child ages 12 and under.

Through an interactive educational program, young audiences hear about the history of flamenco, learn a few steps, and watch a short performance.

Adult Intro to Flamenco Workshop

Sunday, 9/18 at 10:00 am. \$25/person ages 15+

Introduction to flamenco dance. Participants learn the basics of flamenco's fluid arms and percussive feet.

Furia Flamenco Dance Company Performance

Saturday, 9/17 at 7:30 pm. Fredgren Studio Theatre (at BalletNova) \$15/person

Under the direction of Estela Velez de Paredez, this award-winning company brings the ferocity and passion of flamenco to the stage and transports audiences to Southern Spain in technically refined, emotionally explosive, and dynamically choreographed dancing. Its unique style combines the traditional gypsy with the more modern flamenco to create a perfect balance, enhanced by live classical Spanish guitar and drums!.

All performances are open to the public and take place at the BalletNova studios and Fredgren Studio Theatre at 3443 Carlin Springs Road, Falls Church, VA 22041.

For tickets and information please visit www.BalletNova.org or call 703-778-3008.

This performance is partially supported by a grant from the Arts Council of Fairfax County.

The environmental impact of all of BalletNova's performances and classes is being neutralized by carbon offsets courtesy of WGL Energy.



BalletNova Center for Dance, founded in 1981, is dedicated to educating and mentoring dancers in a positive, nurturing environment and preserving the traditions of classical ballet through quality dance productions and education. Formerly Arlington Center for Dance/The Center Dance Company, the organization moved to a beautiful six-studio 20,800 square foot state-of-the-art facility in 2008, and offers classes in ballet, modern, tap, jazz, and hip hop for children, teens and adult dancers. The award-winning pre-professional ballet program is recognized as one of the best in the Metro Washington DC area, and BalletNova also has an extensive Adult Dance Division with classes in several levels of Ballet, Contemporary, Tap, Jazz and Theater Dance. The new Fredgren Studio Theatre, a 150-seat black box theatre designed for dance, opened in September 2014.

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