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Bid on Eugene singles at Ballet Fantastique's first ever Bachelor/Bachelorette Auction

EUGENE, Ore- September 17, 2009—Ballet Fantastique, Eugene's chamber ballet company, presents its first ever Bachelor/Bachelorette Auction to kick off the fall school year. Doors open at 8:00pm on Wednesday, September 23rd at The District on 13th & Oak. Cover charge is \$10 or \$5 for 18 and over. The District welcomes all ages until 11pm, then 21 plus until 2am. All auction proceeds benefit composer Jeremy Schropp's orchestra for Ballet Fantastique's opening concert of the 2009-2010 season, *Visions d'Amour* at the Hult Center October 9–10.

Eugene's premiere nightclub, The District (13th and Oak), will host the auction. Drink specials of \$2 vanilla vodka cranberries (nicknamed the "Visions d'Amour" in honor of the concert) will be offered to anyone over 21. Local music by Basin and Range and a live DJ, Shawn Kahl, from University of Oregon radio station KWVA will be featured throughout the evening. The highly anticipated event will be MC'd by the Kiefer Kia Princess, Amanda Beemer.

In addition to the live music and DJ, the auction from 8:30–9 pm features Eugene's most eligible singles, from a UO hockey player to a Dutch Bro's Girl. Wine tasting, a hockey lesson, and a hot air balloon ride are some of the many dates to be auctioned off throughout the evening.

Ballet Fantastique is a growing nonprofit ballet organization in the Eugene community. Eugene composer Jeremy Schropp is a composer and doctoral student at the University of Oregon School of Music and Dance. Schropp brings Ballet Fantastique's performance *Visions d'Amour* to life with his live on-stage orchestra on October 9 and 10 at 7:30 pm at the Hult Center. The Bachelor/Bachelorette auction directly benefits Ballet Fantastique and the 25-piece orchestra featured in the performance.

For additional information about Ballet Fantastique and the Bachelor/Bachelorette Auction, visit the Ballet Fantastique website at <http://www.balletfantastique.org/> or call Ballet Fantastique at (541) 342-4611. Executive Director Hannah Bontrager may be reached directly for comment (not for publication) at (541) 206-8977 or balletfantastique@gmail.com. Ballet Fantastique is also on Facebook and Twitter (@bfaneugene).

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