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## **AMERICAN BALLET THEATRE ANNOUNCES *ABTots*, BALLET INTRODUCTION PROGRAM FOR TODDLERS AND PARENTS**

### **FALL SESSION TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 25–DECEMBER 7, 2019**

American Ballet Theatre has announced Fall session dates for *ABTots*, a unique parent/child engagement program designed for children two to three years of age. Led by teaching artists certified in ABT's National Training Curriculum, the program offers weekly classes on Wednesdays from 9:30 AM–10:30 AM (September 25–December 4) and Saturdays from 12:00 PM–1:00 PM (September 28–December 7). The 10-class series will be held at ABT's Manhattan studios, located at East 19 Street and Broadway.

*ABTots* provides parents/caregivers and their toddlers the opportunity to explore ballet fundamentals and musicality, and fosters children's creativity, imagination and friendships. With immersive, one-hour classes inspired by iconic ballets, children can discover the beautiful movements of swans from *Swan Lake* and the joy of dancing snowflakes from *The Nutcracker*. The *ABTots* program prepares students for entry into the Pre-Primary level of the ABT Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis School Children's Division, which places emphasis on rhythm, dynamics and placement for three-year olds.

Enrollment for *ABTots* is open for students currently two years of age. Families may inquire about enrollment information by email at [jkochildren@abt.org](mailto:jkochildren@abt.org) or by phone at 212-477-3030 ext. 3339.

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