



OCTOBER 2025 LETTER FROM THE CHAIR



Dear Friends,

Happy Fall! I hope everyone had a wonderful summer and you are making your way back to Sarasota. As you may know, our Company returned to Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival in The Berkshires this summer and were warmly welcomed back to the Ted Shawn Theatre by staff and Patrons.



The Company performed *Birthday Offering*, *Dante Sonata*, and a World Premiere by Jessica Lang which received standing ovations at all three performances I attended. There was something magical about watching our dancers perform these ballets in the iconic theater. You are in for a treat when this spectacular ballet, *The Lorenz Butterfly*, is performed in Program One at the end of October.

Audiences were introduced to a special guest artist, Misa Kuranaga, who joins The Sarasota Ballet this season as Resident Guest Principal. I am excited to announce that Misa will be our guest speaker at the first Friends Luncheon on October 27th, following her debut performance weekend. This Luncheon is already selling quickly – please reserve your seat today! To reserve by phone by call The Sarasota Ballet at 941.225.6504 or order online.



[Click Here to Order Your October 27 Luncheon Ticket](#)

The Friends of The Sarasota Ballet have many volunteer opportunities with The Sarasota Ballet. Whether you wish to assist at the Box Office, act as a performance greeter, or simply share your love for The Sarasota Ballet, there are endless opportunities. If you are interested in learning about our 2025 - 26 Friends Volunteer areas, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Rosalyn Ehrenpreis at rosalyn.ehrenpreis@gmail.com or call 941.400.1584.



As many of you are aware, Donna Maytham, a beloved member of the Friends of The Sarasota Ballet, recently passed away. Donna was a mentor to many and instrumental in the growth of the Friends we know today. I hope you'll join me in honoring her memory at our first Friends Showcase Luncheon on October 27, 2025.

Warm Regards,

Pat Golemme
Chair, Friends of The Sarasota Ballet



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