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**AUDITORIUM THEATRE AND AMERICAN BALLET THEATRE  
ANNOUNCE FOUR-YEAR PARTNERSHIP**

**America's National Ballet Company®  
to Perform at Chicago's Auditorium Theatre  
Annually Through 2022 as Visiting Resident Company**



(CHICAGO, IL) – [Auditorium Theatre](http://AuditoriumTheatre.org) Chief Executive Officer **Tania Castroverde Moskalenko**, [American Ballet Theatre](http://AmericanBalletTheatre.org) (ABT) Executive Director **Kara Medoff Barnett**, and ABT Artistic Director **Kevin McKenzie** announced a four-year partnership between the two institutions, beginning with the already announced engagement of [Whipped Cream](#) in April of 2019 and continuing with engagements each spring through 2022.

"As one of Chicago's major dance presenters, it is exciting and inspiring to partner with the renowned American Ballet Theatre for the next four years as our visiting resident company," says Castroverde Moskalenko. "This partnership honors the extended history between the Auditorium and ABT, a company that first appeared at the Auditorium in 1969. We look forward to having the company perform its magnificent story ballets, such as *Whipped Cream*, on our historic stage for many years to come."

"American Ballet Theatre's long relationship with the Auditorium Theatre will be continued with this new partnership, and we look forward to adding to the vibrant array of dance offerings in Chicago," said Barnett. "ABT's dancers will shine on the Auditorium's landmark stage. It is a special privilege for our dancers to perform for Chicago audiences who have so loyally followed the Company for decades."

Recognized by an act of the United States Congress as America's National Ballet Company®, American Ballet Theatre is one of the great dance companies in the world. Few ballet companies equal ABT for its combination of size, scope and outreach. Founded in 1940, ABT performs for more than 400,000 people annually. It has made more than 30 international tours to 50 countries, including recent triumphant engagements in Hong Kong, Brisbane, Singapore, Oman, and Paris.

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### **About The Auditorium Theatre**

The Auditorium Theatre of Roosevelt University, located at 50 E Congress Pkwy in Chicago, is an Illinois, not-for-profit organization committed to presenting the finest in international, cultural, community, and educational programming to all of Chicago and beyond as **The Theatre for the People**. The organization also is committed to the continued restoration and preservation of the **National Historic Landmark**.

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