

PRESS RELEASE

Back by popular demand, the Vacaville Ballet Company presents its original pirate-themed ballet *Mutiny!* May 15-17

VACAVILLE, CALIF. 3/29/2015 – The Vacaville Ballet Company will present *Mutiny!* on Friday, May 15 through Sunday, May 17 at the Vacaville Performing Arts Theatre, 1010 Ulatis Drive, Vacaville, CA.

Evening performances on Friday, May 15 and Saturday, May 16 at 7pm and afternoon performances on Saturday, May 16 and Sunday, May 17 at 1pm. Tickets are available at the Vacaville Performing Arts Theatre box office, open Tues.-Fri. 12pm-6pm. Tickets range from \$15-\$20. Visit www.vacavilleballetcompany.org or www.vpat.net for more information.

The Vacaville Ballet Company invites everyone to attend a Swashbuckling Soireé before the Saturday matinee performance. Join us for some grog and grub before you and your family set sail on this pirate adventure. Tickets are \$25/couple or \$15/person. Tickets are also available at the Vacaville Performing Arts Theatre box office.

Premiered on May 16, 2014, Vacaville Ballet Company's original ballet *Mutiny!* is a swashbuckling production filled with daring sword fights and adrenaline-pumping treasure hunts that pose the question: What are you willing to lose and take from others in order to gain your precious treasure? Artistic Director, Cassandra Kamakeeiaiana is pleased to return *Mutiny!* to the Vacaville Performing Arts Theatre with a few exciting twists and additions. *Mutiny!* is sure to thrill girls and boys alike – dancer or not.

Mutiny! follows the Captain, performed by Vanden High School junior Alex Busto and Buckingham Charter School junior Jenna Fusaro, and her First Mate, performed by Will C. Wood Junior Victoria Joyce and Vacaville Christian High School Senior Katelyn Reid, on the open sea. The Captain's ever-consuming need for more gold in an attempt to fill the deep chasm where her heart once was only yields innocent bloodshed. On their last raid, the pirates find themselves divided by their consciences and the First Mate and her faithful companions are thrown overboard after they take a stand against the Captain and her blinded greed.

The beaten mutineers yearn for reassurance there is more to life than their meager attempts to find earthly riches. Piled in their dingy, the waves swell and they are taken in by the sea and encounter all aquatic wildlife, including the beautiful ladies of the sea, led by the enchanting Mermaid, performed by Vacaville High School alumna Macie LaGrand and Armijo High School Junior Grace Baxter.

The Mermaids help the mutineers find land and they wake up on the sandy shore, realizing they are on the very island the treasure resides! But they are not alone – the Captain has also discovered the island. The mutineers and the Captain's pirates race through all varieties of sealife and jungle creatures to see who will find the treasure first! What will be found in the hearts of the mutineers? Have they truly found their consciences and will they follow them? Or, like the Captain, will they be captivated by the beauty of these riches and ensnared by their own greed? For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Mutiny! includes music from the soundtracks of Disney's *Pirates of the Caribbean* movies, composed by Klaus Badelt and Hans Zimmer.