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CLEVELAND BALLET TO PERFORM AT 12 CHAIRS RESTAURANT & BANQUET HALL FOR UKRAINE RELIEF

CLEVELAND, OH - Cleveland Ballet is thrilled to announce a new presentation and fundraiser at 12 Chairs Restaurant & Banquet Hall in Northfield to raise money for Ukrainian relief.

12 Chairs Restaurant & Banquet Hall was started by Ukrainian musician Mykhaylo Katrych and opened on December 21, 2021. Mr. Katrych was a featured vocalist in Cleveland Ballet's production of *Carmen* in their 2019-2020 season.

This will be the first time Cleveland Ballet will collaborate with 12 Chairs Restaurant & Banquet Hall and the company is delighted to take on this partnership.

The master of ceremony for this fundraiser will be Cleveland Ballet's IT, Audio and Video Director Kirill Sokolinsky.

Cleveland Ballet reiterates its solidarity with the people of Ukraine in the face of Russia's aggression. With this fundraiser and presentation, the company hopes to alleviate even an ounce of trouble for the Ukrainian people.

The presentation will take place on Saturday, April 16 and include dancers from the company performing *A Moment in Time*, 'The Gypsy Scene' from *Don Quixote* and *Spring Waters*.

The fundraiser will begin at 6 p.m. and Cleveland Ballet will take the stage at 7 p.m. for a 30-minute presentation. There will be a buffet-style dinner provided for all those in attendance.

Tickets will be \$75 with all proceeds going to Ukraine in this time of need. Tickets can be bought online at <u>https://buytickets.at/12chairrestaurant/675414</u> or on the day of the event. Donations will also be accepted through this site as well as on the event day.

For more information, please call Cleveland Ballet at 216-320-9000 x 106 or email Lilia Shtarkman at lilia@clevelandballet.org.

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ABOUT CLEVELAND BALLET: From the fascinating history of dance in Cleveland starting at the beginning of the 20th century, Dr. Michael Krasnyansky, a successful Ukrainian businessman who settled in the Cleveland area, and his wife Gladisa Guadalupe, a wonderful dancer originally from Puerto Rico, have made their mission to build on the vision and business acumen of Adella Prentiss and impresario Giacomo Bernardi. Prentiss and Bernardi were instrumental in the development of Cleveland's dance audience. They were responsible for bringing one of the world's foremost ballerinas of the 20th century, Anna Pavlova, as well as the internationally famous Diaghilev Ballets Russes which performed in this city during their first U.S. tour. Today and under their artistic vision, business expertise and leadership Dr. Krasnyansky and Ms. Guadalupe has established the city's resident ballet company, Cleveland Ballet, successfully filling the void of classical and contemporary ballet. Please see https://case.edu/ech/articles/c/cleveland-ballet and https://case.edu/ech/articles/d/dance for more information.

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