



Press release

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Kyoto Prize laureate John Neumeier returns to Kyoto with the Hamburg Ballet (Feb. 17)

More than 15,000 spectators saw 7 performances of the Hamburg Ballet in Tokyo

Together with the Hamburg Ballet, John Neumeier returns to Kyoto for the first time, since he was awarded the 2015 Kyoto Prize, presenting his gala program „The World of John Neumeier“ on the 17th of February. The performance at the ROHM Theatre Kyoto completes the company's current tour of Japan. Counting audiences of the seven Hamburg Ballet performances in Tokyo, there were more than 15,000 spectators and supporters that had the opportunity to experience three productions by John Neumeier.

The invitation for the Hamburg Ballet to perform in Kyoto was initiated and supported significantly by the Inamori Foundation which also awards the prestigious Kyoto Prize. The foundation conducts an educational program that presented a ballet workshop at the ROHM Theatre on the 14th of February, led by Deputy Artistic Director Lloyd Riggins with John Neumeier also being present on stage. The 40 ballet students being 12 to 18 years old, were drawn by lot. In order to involve all ballet students who are interested in the Hamburg Ballet, John Neumeier decided to grant them access to today's run-through rehearsal of the gala program „The World of John Neumeier“.

ROHM Theater, Kyoto

„The World of John Neumeier“. Ballet gala by John Neumeier

Narration: John Neumeier

Recorded Music

Performance: February 17, 2.00 pm

Further Information: www.rohmtheatrekyoto.jp

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