### Vision and Goals of the Jerusalem Ballet

The art of classical ballet is the foundation of the dance world, and a cornerstone of culture in general.

The establishment of a high-level professional ballet school, and later on, the **“Jerusalem Ballet** **Company**” were pioneering steps that sought to provide access to this artistic form for all, and to enrich the spiritual and cultural life of Israel’s capital as well as Israel as a whole.

We view the nurturing of the younger generation as a central goal, and we aim to reach beyond those who have chosen the field of dance as a way of life and a profession. Children and teenagers are future audiences and culture lovers. Their exposure to as wide a range of artistic works as possible, and to dance pieces in particular, is important for their general education and development. We believe that imparting these important values, alongside providing good learning habits, creates excellent dancers and also transforms us into better human beings.

The Jerusalem Ballet Company stands out as an organization within Jerusalem’s cultural mosaic – a group that is young and highly-skilled in the fields of classical, neo-classical, and contemporary ballet. The company is managed by Nadia Timofeyeva.

The Jerusalem Ballet Company was founded in 2008 by CEO Marina Neeman and Artistic Director Nadia Timofeyeva. It includes dancers who are alumni of the Jerusalem School of Ballet.

The company is well regarded as a professional organization and is supported by the Ministry of Culture and Sport, and the Cultural Department of the Jerusalem Municipality. Throughout the 12 years of its existence, the Jerusalem Ballet Company has performed a variety of diverse and rich pieces. The Jerusalem Ballet Company’s premiere piece was performed at several festivals and at the Suzanne Dellal Center in Tel Aviv. These performances also included pieces by young Israeli artists in the field of contemporary ballet.

The school was created in order to nurture and encourage young local talent in the field of classical ballet, and to create a reserve of outstanding future dancers in Israel. Several of our alumni have participated in ballet competitions in Israel and abroad, and have received many prizes. Several alumni have joined the Jerusalem Ballet Company and other professional dance companies in Israel and abroad.