Lausanne, January 27th, 2021: the Prix de Lausanne will offer more than 7 hours of live streaming daily for this exceptional video edition, on Arte Concert and prixdelausanne.org. The public will be able to follow the candidates all week long, along with original interviews with the Jury or enjoy archives from past editions of the competition. The Finals’ Interlude, taking place on Saturday, February 6th, will feature excerpts from the Paris Opera Ballet School Tricentennial Gala.

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In order to make up for the candidates’ absence in Lausanne this year, the Prix de Lausanne has set up a 100% digital competition. The live streaming content, built around the candidates' videos, will allow the Jury to observe and mark the 78 dancers all week long. For the very first time, people around the world will be able to follow each and every candidate individually. As usual, the competition week will be divided between ballet class exercises (from Monday to Thursday) and classical and contemporary variations prepared by the candidates (on Friday and Saturday for the Finals). Furthermore, the Prix de Lausanne enriches its live streaming content with exclusive interviews, archive videos from past editions and content focusing on its partner schools and companies. Thanks to the live streaming option, the Prix de Lausanne will be able to offer career opportunities to young dancers from all over the world again this year and therefore fulfill its mission despite the current situation.

“More than ever, young dancers need the support of professionals. This year is marked by an unprecedented upheaval in our sector. Being able to discover young international talent, as well as to contribute to the development of dancers are excellent reasons to take part in the Prix de Lausanne this year. Without forgetting the team and the unique and supportive atmosphere of the Prix de Lausanne.” (Nicolas Le Riche, member of the Jury 2021)

“Organizing the 2021 and 49th edition of the Prix de Lausanne has been particularly challenging. Fortunately, a responsible solution was found as it is more important than ever to create a sense of continuity and to bridge this difficult period in support of the development of young dancers in every way imaginable.” (Samuel Wuersten, member of the Jury 2021)

Find the full and detailed schedule on www.prixdelausanne.org
Interlude with the Paris Opera Ballet School

During the competition Finals, the audience will be able to enjoy 2013 excerpts from the Paris Opera Ballet School Tricentennial Gala. These will feature “D’ores et déjà” (Béatrice Massin, Nicolas Paul) and “Pêchés de jeunesse” (Jean-Guillaume Bart).

This Gala will be followed by the final round of the Young Creation Award, the new programme in collaboration with the partner institutions of the Prix de Lausanne, and the Lifetime Achievement Award presentation to choreographer Wayne McGregor.

Find the detailed Finals programme on www.prixdelausanne.org

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The Prix de Lausanne follows the development of future dance talents throughout the year through various activities which culminates into the most prestigious classical ballet competition in the world. The first edition of the competition, designed for 15 to 18-year-old dancers, took place in 1973. Since then, it has become a major annual event in the dance sphere on a worldwide scale, and its goal remains unchanged: to identify, promote and help the best young dance talents around the world. Today, after 48 editions, the Prix de Lausanne is considered the most prestigious ballet competition on an international level and the foundation upholding and organising it has morphed into a wide scale charity, well beyond the initial event. We support the most promising young talents throughout the year through various education and training activities. The Prix de Lausanne allows them to live a unique experience that will serve them throughout their career. As a development partner, we provide them with a healthy environment to reach their full potential. That is why we have developed a vast network of partners to strive for excellence in this exceptional artistic dance field.