



# P R I X D E L A U S A N N E

Press Release

## Prix de Lausanne Update on the 2026 Jury composition

International ballet competition – Beaulieu Lausanne

**Lausanne, 7 January 2026: The Prix de Lausanne announces an update to the composition of the Jury for its 54th edition, which will take place from 1 to 8 February 2026 at Beaulieu Lausanne.**

The Prix de Lausanne is pleased to announce the appointment of **Tancredo Tavares** to the 2026 Jury. A widely recognised artist on the international stage, he will bring his experience and artistic insight to the Jury, in line with the values of the Prix de Lausanne.

Initially announced as a member of the Jury, **Eric Underwood** will ultimately not be able to take part in the 2026 edition of the Prix de Lausanne.

Chaired by **Kevin O'Hare**, the 2026 Jury thus retains its coherence and the diversity of its perspectives, in the service of the next generation of dancers.

### Special Events

**Each year, the Prix de Lausanne offers much more than the competition; it can be experienced during the week through a variety of events.**

In 2026, the public will be able to explore the Prix's archives via the Linear Navigator, **meet the Jury on Wednesday 4 February 2026**, and visit the *Carte Blanche* photo exhibition on the Grand Pont (6 January–6 February 2026). They will also have the opportunity to witness a choreography created in one week as part of the Partner School Choreographic Project, and attend the Finals of the Young Creation Award, a competition dedicated to young choreographers in Europe.

**Further information is available on our [website](#).**

Days open to the public  
Monday 2 to Sunday 8 February 2026

Booking  
The ticketing office will open on  
Wednesday 10 December 2025 at 12 pm on [ticketcorner.ch](https://ticketcorner.ch)

Press access & accreditation  
Online accreditation begins on Wednesday, December 10 2025, at 2 pm  
<https://www.prixdelausanne.org/press-access/>  
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*Throughout the year, the Prix de Lausanne supports the development of future dance talent through a wide range of activities, culminating in the world's most prestigious international ballet competition. Created in 1973, the competition is open to pre-professional dancers aged 15 to 18. Since its first edition, it has established itself as an unmissable annual event on the international choreographic scene. Today, the Prix de Lausanne is a global benchmark in its field. Much more than just a competition, the Prix de Lausanne supports the most promising young dancers throughout the year through education, training, and support programmes. A true development partner, the Prix de Lausanne offers a supportive and demanding environment conducive to the artistic and personal development of dancers. It relies on a vast network of partners who share the same ambition: to promote excellence and nurture the future of choreographic art.*