

CP of NYS And The New York City Ballet Collaborate To Bring World-Class Dance Training To People With Disabilities

[New York City Ballet](#) (NYCB) Artists Ashley Laracey and Adrian Danchig-Waring conducted a dance workshop for children with disabilities on Saturday, July 21, at the [Gideon Putnam Hotel](#) in Saratoga Springs. Accompanied by NYCB Musician Nancy McDill, the two world-renowned dancers led 19 participants in ballet-based warm-up and movement combinations inspired by the NYCB's Romeo + Juliet, and included a lively performance for family and friends. Following the event, there was time for a photo and autograph opportunity with the artists.

The event was coordinated by Cerebral Palsy Associations of New York State (CP of NYS) in conjunction with the New York City Ballet, the Gideon Putnam Hotel and CP of NYS Affiliate the Center for Disability Services. Following the workshop, families and participants attended the NYCB matinee performance of Romeo + Juliet, courtesy of the Saratoga Performing Arts Center.

Dr. Joseph Dutkowsky, a member of the CP of NYS Board of Directors, worked with the New York City Ballet to bring world class artists together with people with disabilities in a series of dance workshops that provide remarkable opportunities for inclusion, expression and joy for everyone involved. We expect to have more of these exciting performances in the future, so stay tuned.



Preparing for their big performance.



Dr. Dutkowsky with two of the workshop attendees.



The Warm-Up.