### **Notes**

### 1 The early dance manuals and the structure of ballet: a basis for Italian, French and English ballet

- 1 Guglielmo Ebreo da Pesaro, Guilielmi Hebraei pisauriensis de pratica seu arte tripudii vulgare opusculum incipit, 1463, Paris, Bibliothèque Nationale, MS fonds it. 973, fo. 19r. (The translation is the author's.)
- 2 For a detailed discussion of improvisation and ornamentation in the *balli* and *bassadanze*, see Jennifer Nevile, "Disorder in Order: Improvisation in Italian Choreographed Dances of the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Centuries", in Timothy J. McGee (ed.), *Improvisation in the Arts of the Middle Ages and Renaissance* (Kalamazoo, Mich.: Medieval Institute Publications, 2003), pp. 145–69.
- 3 See Anne Daye, "Skill and Invention in the Renaissance Ballroom", *Historical Dance* 2/6 (1988–91), pp. 12–15, for further details on these virtuosic steps.
- 4 For a detailed discussion of improvisation and ornamentation in sixteenth-century Italian dances, see G. Yvonne Kendall, "Ornamentation and Improvisation in Sixteenth-Century Dance", in McGee, *Improvisation in the Arts of the Middle Ages and Renaissance*, pp. 170–90.
- 5 Timothy J. McGee, "Dancing Masters and the Medici Court in the Fifteenth Century", *Studi musicali* 17/2 (1988), p. 205.
- 6 Francis Ames-Lewis, *The Intellectual Life of the Early Renaissance Artist* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2000), p. 74.
- 7 Keith Polk, German Instrumental Music of the Late Middle Ages: Players, Patrons and Performance Practice (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1992), p. 11.
- 8 The anonymous fifteenth-century French basse danse treatises were far closer to a collection of choreographies, with very little additional information being included. Dance records from England in this period are scarce. For information on English sources see David Fallows, "The Gresley Dance Collection, c. 1500", RMA Research Chronicle 29 (1996), pp. 1–20; and Jennifer Nevile, "Dance in Early Tudor England: An Italian Connection?", Early Music 26/2 (1998), pp. 230–44. The sixteenth-century French and Italian dance manuals follow the fifteenth-century Italian model.

- 9 See chapter 4 in Jennifer Nevile, *The Eloquent Body: Dance and Humanist Culture in Fifteenth-Century Italy* (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2004), for a detailed discussion of the four *misure* and how the dance masters married the practical concerns of the dancer to the intellectual ideas about the nature of the cosmos.
- 10 None of the terms is defined precisely by Domenico, Guglielmo or Cornazano, but it is clear all refer to subtle movements of the dancer's body performed as part of the execution of each step. The meaning of campeggiare is not entirely clear, although the word seems to refer to a horizontal shading movement of the body above the foot which makes the step. This horizontal movement is contrasted with ondeggiare, a vertical movement like the waves of the sea, with a slow rising of the dancer's body followed by a quicker lowering of the body. (For further discussion of campeggiare see Mark Franko, The Dancing Body in Renaissance Choreography (c. 1416-1589) (Birmingham, Ala.: Summa Publications, 1986), pp. 59-61.) In his treatise Domenico likens maniera to the movement of a gondola that in its passage across the sea rises slowly and falls quickly (Domenico da Piacenza, De arte saltandi & choreas ducendi De la arte di ballare et danzare, Paris, Bibliothèque Nationale, MS fonds it. 972, fo. 1v). Cornazano also defines maniera as a rising and falling movement of the body, encompassing both ondeggiare and campeggiare (Antonio Cornazano, Libro dell'arte del danzare, Rome, Biblioteca Apostolica Vaticana, Codex Capponiano, 203, fo. 3v). Guglielmo describes aiere as "an act of airy presence and elevated movement, with one's own person showing with agility a sweet and gentle rising movement in the dance" (fo. 10r). 11 The term fantasmata referred to the way a step should be phrased. Domenico (fo. 2r) describes how at the end of every step the dancer should freeze briefly for a fraction of a second before commencing the next step, and this should all be done with so little effort that the dancer appears to be like a falcon taking wing. For further discussion of fantasmata see Mark Franko, "The Notion of 'Fantasmata' in Fifteenth-Century Italian Dance Treatises", Dance Research Annual 16 (1987), pp. 68-86.

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- 12 Nicholas Clulee, *John Dee's Natural Philosophy Between Science and Religion* (London: Routledge, 1988), p. 77.
- 13 Marsilio Ficino, *Three Books on Life*, critical edn and trans. with intro. and notes by Carol V. Kaske and John R. Clark (Binghamton, N.Y.: Medieval and Renaissance Texts and Studies, 1989), pp. 331–3 and 363.
- 14 See Françoise Carter, "Celestial Dance: A Search for Perfection", *Dance Research* 5/2 (1987), pp. 3–17, for further discussion on divine dance from Plato to the seventeenth century.
- 15 The translation is Margaret M. McGowan's from her book, Ideal Forms in the Age of Ronsard, (Berkeley: University of California Press, 1985), p. 224, from Ronsard's sonnet "Le soir qu'Amour vous fist en las salle descendre". 16 See Thomas M. Greene, "Labyrinth Dances in the French and English Renaissance", Renaissance Quarterly 54/4.2 (2001), pp. 1403-66. Similarly, the English court masques, on one level, can be viewed as "one vast moving talisman with emblematic figures in diverse colours moving amongst incantatory scenes designed to draw down influences on the British court" (Vaughan Hart, Art and Magic in the Courts of the Stuarts (London: Routledge, 1994), p. 187).
- 17 Stockholm, Kungliga Biblioteket, Cod. Holm S 253.
- 18 For further information on this manuscript and on other surviving notated dance figures, see Jennifer Nevile, "Dance Patterns of the Early Seventeenth Century: The Stockholm Manuscript and *Le Ballet de Monseigneur de Vendosme*", *Dance Research* 18/2 (2000), pp. 186–203; and Mark Franko, "Writing Dancing, 1573", in Ann Dils and Ann Cooper Albright (eds.), *Moving History / Dancing Cultures. A Dance History Reader* (Middleton, Conn.: Wesleyan University Press, 2001), pp. 191–201.
- 19 Charles Nicholl, *The Chemical Theatre* (London: Routledge & Kegan Paul, 1980), p. 97.
  20 Lyndy Abraham, *Marvel and Alchemy* (Aldershot: Scolar Press, 1990), p. 26.
- 21 Very similar sentiments were expressed at the end of the sixteenth century by Caroso, who repeats this belief that movements of the body represent inward emotional states (Fabritio Caroso, *Nobiltà di dame* (Venice, 1600; facs. edn, Bologna: Forni, 1980), p. 1).
- 22 Guglielmo, *De pratica seu arte*, fos. 19r–19v (the translation is the author's).
- 23 Prudence represented the knowledge of things men and women ought to desire and of things they ought to avoid.

24 Thomas Elyot, *The Boke Named the Governour* (London, 1531), repr. ed. S. E. Lehmberg (London: Dent, 1962), pp. 79–80.

#### 2 Ballet de cour

- 1 Mark Franko, *Dance as Text: Ideology of the Baroque Body* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1993), p. 1.
- 2 Paul Lacroix, *Ballets et mascarades de cour sous* Henri IV et Louis XIII (de 1581 à 1652) (Geneva: J. Gay et fils, 1868–70; repr. Geneva: Slatkine, 1968).
- 3 In addition to Lacroix cited above, for a review of ballets and masquerades with indications of the sources which document them see appendix in Margaret M. McGowan, L'Art du ballet de cour en France 1581–1643 (Paris: Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, 1965, repr. 1978), pp. 251–309; for the later phase see Philippe Hourcade, Mascarades et ballets du Grand Siècle, 1643–1715 (Paris: Desjonquières et Centre National de la Danse 2002), pp. 253–336. 4 The success of some ballets led to a series of repeats as was the case with the Ballet de la douairière de Billebahaut, staged first in 1626 at the Louvre and a few days later by popular demand at the Hôtel de Ville.
- 5 See, for example, the *Ballet de la prosperité des armes de la France* (1641), ordered by Richelieu to celebrate recent French military successes for which he considered himself to be responsible.
  6 McGowan established a periodisation for the *ballet de cour* that focuses on the themes presented: allegorical and political from 1581 to 1610, melodramatic from 1610 to 1620 and burlesque until 1636. Cf. McGowan, *L'Art du ballet de cour*.
- 7 Susan Foster, Reading Dancing: Bodies and Subjects in Contemporary American Dance (Berkeley: University of California Press), p. 101. 8 François De Lauze, Apologie de la danse et parfaite méthode de l'enseigner tant aux Cavaliers qu'aux dames (n.p., 1623), pp. 35–6. McGowan (L'Art du ballet de cour, p. 33) concludes on that basis that "the ballet had already evolved into a genre in which all amateurs would be excluded".
- 9 Michel de Pure, *Idée des spectacles anciens et nouveaux* (Paris 1668; facs. edn Geneva: Minkoff, 1972), p. 215.
- 10 Jerôme de la Gorce, "Un aspetto del mestiere teatrale di Torelli: la riutilizzazione delle scenografie dell' 'Andromède' per il 'Ballet de la nuit' ", in Francesco Milesi (ed.), *Giacomo Torelli. L'invenzione scenica nell'Europa barocca* (Fano: Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio di Fano, 2000), pp. 235–41.

11 Marie Françoise Christout, *Le Ballet de cour au XVII° siècle* (Geneva: Minkoff, 1987), p. 76. This volume presents a rich iconografic documentation. By the same author, *Le Ballet de cour de Louis XIV. 1643–1672* (Paris: A. et J. Picard, 1967; new edition Paris: Centre national de la danse and Picard, 2005).

12 Christout, *Le Ballet de cour au XVII*° *siécle*, p. 148.

13 Henry Prunières in his Le Ballet de cour en France avant Benserade et Lully (Paris: Henri Laurens, 1914; New York and London: Johnson Reprint, 1970) argue for the Italian origins, with James R. Anthony, French Baroque Music from Beaujoyeulx to Rameau (New York and London: Norton, 1974; rev. edn 1981); and Barbara Sparti, "Dance and Historiography. Le Balet Comique de la Royne: an Italian Perspective", in Ann Buckley and Cynthis Cyrus (eds.), Festschrift for Ingrid Brainard, forthcoming (I thank Barbara Sparti for putting at my disposal two diverse versions of the unedited manuscript of her essay).

14 The masquerade consists of a parade or a stage action, for the most part improvised, and executed by characters who are dressed up or wearing masks. The dramatic content was limited and rather basic, resting on allegory and myth. Some parts could have been recited and others accompanied by instruments or voices. The main purpose was to create a spectacular impression by using lavish costumes and accessories. Intermedii that were placed between the courses of a banquet or the acts of a comedy were normally composed of recited texts and instrumental or vocal music and various types of bodily moves such as dance, pantomime, acrobatics or fighting scenes. The theoreticians of the sixteenth century saw in its theatrical form the functions of the ancient Greek chorus: temporal and technical transitions between acts, a pause for the actors, time to change the scenery, time for the spectators to relax from the dramatic tension of the main work. 15 McGowan, L'Art du ballet de cour, p. 7. 16 De Pure, Idée des spectacles; Claude-François Ménestrier, Des représentations en musique anciennes et modernes (Paris: René Guignard, 1681; repr. Geneva: Minkoff, 1992); Claude-François Ménestrier, Des ballets anciens et modernes selon les règles du théâtre (Paris: René Guignard, 1682; repr. Geneva: Minkoff, 1972); M. de Saint-Hubert, La Manière de composer et de faire réussir les ballets (Paris: Targa, 1641; repr. Geneva: Minkoff, 1993). 17 De Pure, Idée des spectacles, p. 214. 18 From the libretto for the ballet cited in McGowan, L'Art du ballet de cour, p. 152.

19 Marie-Thérèse Bouquet-Boyer (ed.), *Les Noces de Pélée et de Thétis. Venise*, 1639–Paris, 1654, Actes du colloque international de Chambéry et de Turin, 3–7 novembre 1999 (Bern, New York, Oxford and Vienna: Peter Lang, 2001).

20 Franko, Dance as Text, p. 21.

21 Ibid.

22 De Pure, Idée des spectacles, p. 249.

23 Menestrier, *Des ballets anciens et modernes*, p. 154.

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25 For analysis of the Italian antecedents, see Sparti, "Dance and Historiography". It is worth remembering that in a sort of obsession with research on origins, Italian historiography has for a long time identified Begonzio Botta as the inventor of the ballet on the basis of an equivocal story due to a distorted reading of a fifteenth-century chronicle which refers to the wedding of Galeazzo Sforza and Isabella of Aragon in 1489. In reality, Botta, who was a wealthy landowner, financed and occupied himself with the organisation of that event, which took place in his residence in Tortona. There is no evidence that he was author of the stage actions of a mythological kind, which included dance or mimed parts specially prepared for the occasion. See Eugenia Casini Ropa, "Il banchetto di Bergonzio Botta per le nozze di Isabella d'Aragona e Gian Galeazzo Sforza nel 1489: quando la storiografia si sostituisce alla storia", in Myriam Chiabò and Federico Doglio (eds.), Spettacoli conviviali dall'antichità alle corti italiane del '400 (Viterbo: Tipolitografia Agnescotti, 1983), pp. 291–306. The origin of the historiographical error is probably to be found in Ménestrier, Des représentations, p. 157.

26 He has passed into history as the first choreographer of the first ballet. It could be the case that he never composed a single dance. Balthasar de Beaujoyeulx, born Baltazarini o Baldassarre (born before 1535 and died about 1587) was of Italian origin but not precisely identified. He went to France in the entourage of the Marechal de Brissac, governor of Piedmont, at the request of Catherine de' Medici. He was an excellent violinist and integrated himself rapidly at court, frenchifying his name. He rose rapidly from simple valet de chambre to become an officier. Some scholars think that the real author of the Balet comique de la Royne was the court poet Agrippa d'Aubigny. Carol and Lander MacClintock (eds.), Le Balet comique de la Royne 1581 (New York: American Institute of Musicology, Musicological Studies and Documents 25, 1971), p. 12.

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It remains speculation whether (a) these dance books were already available in the early Stuart period, and (b) whether readers really used them as dance manuals rather than bibliophile objects. Late seventeenth-century book lists in the Royal Collection are, for example, MSS Royal App. 73 and 86. Barbara Ravelhofer, *The Early Stuart Masque: Dance, Costume, and Music* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2006), ch. 2. 11 Roy Strong, *Henry Prince of Wales: The Lost Renaissance* (London: Thames & Hudson, 1986), pp. 92, 95.

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35 Oxford, Bodl. MS Rawl. C 799. All citations from the excellent The Travel Diary of Robert Bargrave, ed. Michael Brennan (London: Haykluyt Society, 1999), pp. 88-99; p. 96. 36 Bargrave, Diary, p. 97. Bargrave's idiosyncratic vocabulary includes more theatrical terminology than Playford's first edition. In this it is reminiscent of another midto late seventeenth-century country dance source, the "Lovelace" or "Pattricke Manuscript". On the latter, see Carol Marsh, "The Lovelace Manuscript: A Preliminary Study", in Uwe Schlottermüller and Maria Richter (eds.) Morgenröte des Barock: Tanz im 17. Jahrhundert (Freiburg: fa-gisis, 2004), pp. 81-90, and a full transcription by Carol Marsh and John Ward, Harvard Library Bulletin (forthcoming). 37 A Book of Masques, ed. Spencer and Wells,

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#### 4 The baroque body

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- supporting bourgeois and patriarchal marriage practices.
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- 8 The various transformations *Giselle* has undergone in its history has pulled it towards more class- or race-conscious readings. Others have looked at Giselle's madness in terms of drug addiction.
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- 11 Few women worked as teachers or choreographers at the Paris Opéra until the 1860s. Thérèse Elssler stands out for her choreographic work on her sister Fanny Elssler. Her ballet, *La Volière ou les oiseaux de Boccace* (1838), set in the Caribbean on a plantation, from which all men have been banished, configured gender differently and asserted women's emotional growth. Fanny Elssler (or her sister) choreographed a ballet entitled *La*

Salamandrine, which was first produced at Covent Garden on 22 May 1847 (see the Bibliothèque de l'Opéra's libretto (Liv m. 149)), some 113 years after Marie Sallé's staging and performance of *Pygmalion*. Marie Taglioni would return later to teach and she choreographed and produced the ballet *Le Papillon* at the Paris Opéra in 1860. Other female teachers, such as Madame Dominique, developed a loyal following of students during the latter part of the century.

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### 11 Deadly sylphs and decent mermaids: the women in the Danish romantic world of August Bournonville

- 1 Bournonville was ballet master at the Royal Danish Ballet 1830–77, except for his time as ballet master in Vienna, Austria 1855–6 and as director in Stockholm, Sweden 1861–4.
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- Dance Books, 1992). Besides that, the Royal Danish Ballet has published *The Bournonville Schools* the DVD, coached by Frank Andersen, Anne Marie Vessel Schlüter, Eva Kloborg, Flemming Ryberg and Dinna Bjørn. Director: Ulrik Wivel, 2005.
- 5 According to the Danish ballet critic Erik Aschengreen, Bournonville's illegitimate child had always been known about within a small circle of people, but only in 1997 did it become public knowledge when Danish ballet historian Knud Arne Jürgensen included the daughter in his article on "The Ballet Tradition" (1997), also in his Bournonville biography for the catalogue for the exhibition *Europæeren Bournonville* (Bournonville the European), vol. 1, p. 20 at the Royal Library, Copenhagen, 2000.
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- 7 *Den nøgne Guldalder* (The Nude Golden Age), exhibition catalogue by Annette Johansen, Emma Salling, Marianne Saabye (Copenhagen: The Hirschsprung Collection 1994), p. 164 (with English summary and translation).
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Flindt and Knud Arne Jürgensen (London:

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13 In Bournonville's time, Abdallah was performed between 1855 and 1858. Then it was practically forgotten until ballet director Bruce Marks and his wife, Toni Lander, bought Bournonville's handwritten libretto at an auction in New York in 1970. In 1985, they reconstructed the ballet, together with Danish Bournonville teacher Flemming Ryberg. At that time, Toni Lander had accepted the position as ballet director of the Royal Danish Ballet and she had planned to bring Abdallah to Copenhagen with her. Tragically, Toni Lander died of a sudden illness. In spite of this, Bruce Marks and Flemming Ryberg together with Bournonville coach Sorella Englundand managed to stage the ballet for the Royal Danish Ballet in 1986: Abdallah had come back home

14 At the gala for the third Bournonville Festival in 2005, the Jockey Dance was danced as a unisex duet by two principal ballerinas en travestie, Gudrun Bojesen and Gitte Lindstrøm. 15 Artistic directors of the Royal Danish Ballet since the first Bournonville Festival: Henning Kronstam 1978-85, Frank Andersen 1985-94, Peter Schaufuss 1994-5, Johnny Eliasen (temporary appointment) 1995-7, Maina Gielgud 1997–9, Aage Thordal-Christensen 1999-2002, Frank Andersen 2002-8, Frank Andersen (born 1953), was a Danish principal dancer and Bournonville instructor. He was artistic director at the Royal Danish Ballet 1985-94. He then was ballet director for the Royal Swedish Ballet 1995-9 and artistic adviser for the Chinese National Ballet, and judge at international dancer competitions, before he returned to his position as artistic director of the Royal Danish Ballet in 2002. Abroad, he has staged Napoli and La Sylphide. For the Royal Danish Ballet, he has staged A Folk Tale in 1991 (together with Anne Marie Vessel Schlüter and

with decor by her majesty, Queen Margrethe II) and *Napoli* several times since 1992 (with Henning Kronstam, Dinna Bjørn and Anne Marie Vessel Schlüter).

16 *Jeg Dig Elsker* (I love you). An interpretation of *La Sylphide* with ballet director Nikolaj Hübbe, directed by Ulrik Wivel. Dancers: Mads Blangstrup, Gudrun Bojesen, Lis Jeppesen. DVD, 25 minutes. The Royal Theatre and the Danish Film Institute 2005.

# 12 The orchestra as translator: French nineteenth-century ballet

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- 7 Le Constitutionnel, 11 August 1845.
- 8 Gustave Chouquet, *Histoire de la musique dramatique en France* (Paris: Librairie Firmin Didot Frères, 1873), p. 170.
- 9 See Stephanie Jordan, "The Role of the Ballet Composer at the Paris Opéra: 1820–1850", Dance Chronicle, 4/4 (1982), pp. 374-88; and Ivor Guest, The Romantic Ballet in Paris (London: Dance Books, 1980), p. 10.
  10 Over a half-century later, Tchaikovsky wove the royalist tune "Vive Henri Quatre" into the final scene of Sleeping Beauty (1890) to help conclude that ballet "with great pomp and ostentation", and a royalist flair, recalling the Parisian tradition of using it to suggest just those qualities.
- 11 Such "vocal" passages were frequently indicated in rehearsal scores, and the text "spoken" by the characters written below the staff.
- 12 To *Le Corsaire*, 1856, a new divertissement was added by Delibes in 1857. The ballet was restaged by Petipa at the St Petersburg Maryinsky Theatre, with additional music by Drigo, Minkus and Pugni. The music for the famous *pas de deux* so often performed without the rest of the ballet is by Drigo.
- 13 Galops may be found, to name only a few examples from the stage of the Paris Opéra, in the ballets *La Jolie Fille de Gand*, *Le Diable à*

- quatre, La Fille de marbre, Diavolina, La Korrigane, and the operas Dom Sébastien, Gustave III and Le Prophète.
- 14 The polka, which was according to Guest (*The Romantic Ballet in Paris*, p. 229) "all the rage in the ballrooms and public balls" in the early 1840s, is said to have made its first appearance on the stage of the Opéra in the ballet *Lady Henriette* (first performed 21 February 1844).
- 15 La France musicale, 17 August 1845.16 Le Nord, 13 July 1863.
- 17 Such levity proved a valuable counterbalance to the serious and even violent tone of many operas with which ballet shared the stage. See Smith, *Ballet and Opera*, pp. 59–96.
- 18 La France musicale, 11 August 1844. 19 La Revue et gazette musicale, 27 September
- 20 Le Nord, 13 July 1863.
- 21 La Revue et gazette musicale, 5 December 1880.
- 22 Le Menéstrel, 12 March 1882. This music fared well in the next century, in Serge Lifar's Suite en blanc (1943), revived as Noir et blanc, and as a concert suite.
- 23 Letter to *The Times* of London of 6 July 1914, reprinted in Roger Copeland and Marshall Cohen (eds.), *What is Dance? Readings in Theory and Criticism* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1983), p. 260.
- 24 This choreography also uses ballet music from Verdi's *Jérusalem* and *Don Carlos*.
- 25 Music of Delibes's *La Source* and *Naila* was used for Balanchine's *La Source* (1968); parts of the *Sylvia* score have also been choreographed by, among others, Balanchine and Ashton. The many other choreographies to Delibes's ballet music include Léo Staats's *Soir de fête* (1921), using *Le Corsaire* and *La Source*, which has been performed over 250 times.
- 26 1 August 1847. His ballets include La Chatte blanche (Paris, 1830), Faust (London, 1833), La Fille du Danube (Paris, 1836), Les Mohicans (Paris, 1837), L'Ecumeur de mer (St Petersburg, 1840), Die Hamadryaden (Berlin, 1840), Giselle (Paris, 1841), La Jolie Fille de Gand (Paris, 1842), Le Diable à quatre (1845), The Marble Maiden (London, 1845), Griseldis ou les cinq senses (Paris, 1848), La Filleule des fées (Paris, 1849), Orfa (Paris, 1852), and Le Corsaire (Paris, 1856). 27 Remarks made by Adam while working on La Filleule des fées, quoted in Benoît Jouvin, Hérold, sa vie et ses oeuvres (Paris: Heugel, 1868), p. 148.
- 28 "Léo Delibes", in Selma Jeanne Cohen and Elizabeth Aldrich (eds.), *International*

- Encyclopedia of Dance (New York and Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1998), vol. II, p. 368.
- 29 L'Opinion, trans. Cyril Beaumont, in Complete Book of Ballets (London: Putnam, 1937; repr. 1956), p. 495.
- 30 Le Telegraphe, 3 June 1885.
- 31 "Le XIX Siècle" (in Delibes dossier d'artiste, Bibliothèque de l'Opéra); George Balanchine and Francis Mason, *Balanchine's Complete Stories of the Great Ballets* (Garden City, N.Y.: Doubleday, 1977), p. 608.
- 32 Jouvin, Hérold, p. 194.
- 33 Edouard Deldevez, *Mes Mémoires* (Paris: Marchessou fils, 1890), p. 34.
- 34 5 December 1880.
- 35 See Ivor Guest, *Le Ballet de l'Opéra de Paris* (Paris: Flammarion, 2001), pp. 297–314, for a list of the Opéra's ballets and their composers, 1776–2000.

### 13 Russian ballet in the age of Petipa

Petipa, ed. Lillian Moore, trans. Helen Whittaker (London: A. & C. Black, 1958), p. 23.

2 Vera M. Krasovskaya, "Petipa, Marius",

International Encyclopedia of Dance, ed. Selma
Jean Cohen and Dance Perspectives

Foundation (Oxford: Oxford University Press,
1998, 2005) (hereafter IED), p. 150.

1 Russian Ballet Master: The Memoirs of Marius

- Jean-Antoine Petipa died in St Petersburg in 1855, at which point Marius took over his position, which he continued to occupy until 1863, when at Petipa's request, the director of the Imperial Theatres appointed Christian Johansson to succeed him.
- 3 Petipa, *Memoirs*, p. 22. A "benefit" refers to a performance of which all or part of the proceeds were earmarked for a particular artist or group (such as the corps de ballet).
- 4 Natalia Roslavleva, *Era of the Russian Ballet*, foreword Ninette de Valois (London: Gollancz, 1966), p. 22.
- 5 Ibid., p. 32.
- 6 This is the date of the Russian as opposed to the French premiere, which took place at the Paris Opéra in 1856. The 1858 St Petersburg production was by Jules Perrot. Petipa restaged the ballet five years later, with significant revisions in 1868 (when he choreographed the "Jardin Animé"), 1885 and 1899. See "Works by Marius Petipa in Russia", in *The Diaries of Marius Petipa*, ed., trans. and intro. Lynn Garafola, *Studies in Dance History*, 3/1 (Spring 1992), pp. 81–2.
- 7 *La Sylphide* premiered at the Paris Opéra in 1832. Three years later, Antoine Titus staged the ballet after Taglioni at the Bolshoi Theatre,

- St Petersburg. The ballet was restaged by Taglioni in 1837. Petipa restaged the work, again after Taglioni but with additional music by Riccardo Drigo, in 1892. "Sil'fida", *Balet Entsiklopediia* (hereafter *Soviet Ballet Encyclopedia*) (Moscow: Sovetskaia Entsiklopediia, 1981); Cyril W. Beaumont, *Complete Book of Ballets* (London: Putnam, 1937), p. 103.
- 8 Quoted in Roslavleva, *Era of the Russian Ballet*, p. 59.
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- 13 Yury Slonimsky, "Marius Petipa", trans. Anatole Chujoy, *Dance Index*, 6/5–6 (May–June 1947), p. 106.
- 14 "A Glance Behind the Scenes", *Appleton's Journal of Literature, Science and Art*, 1 April 1876, p. 433. According to the author, some fifty dancers appeared in the divertissement.
- 15 August Bournonville, *My Theatre Life*, trans. Patricia N. McAndrew, intro. Svend Kragh-Jacobsen (Middletown, Conn.: Wesleyan University Press, 1979), p. 581.
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- 17 Slonimsky, "Marius Petipa", p. 115.
- 18 Roland John Wiley, *The Life and Ballets of Lev Ivanov* (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1997), p. 106.
- 19 Ibid., p. 93. For abolishing the post of official ballet composer, see *A Century of Russian Ballet: Documents and Accounts, 1810–1910*, ed. and trans. Roland John Wiley (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1990), p. 350.
- 20 Quoted in Vera Krasovskaya, "Marius Petipa and 'The Sleeping Beauty'", trans. Cynthia Read, *Dance Perspectives* 49 (Spring 1972), p. 21. 21 Ibid.
- 22 Wiley reproduces Petipa's instructions to Tchaikovsky and his "plan" for the ballet in *Tchaikovsky's Ballets: Swan Lake, Sleeping Beauty, Nutcracker* (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1985), Appendix D, pp. 354–70.
- 23 For criticism of the ballet, see Tim Scholl, *Sleeping Beauty: A Legend in Progress* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2004), ch. 1 ("Genre Trouble").
- 24 Alexandre Benois, *Reminiscences of the Russian Ballet*, trans. Mary Britnieva (London: Putnam, 1941), Reminiscences, p. 128.

- 25 The Yearbooks of the Imperial Theatres (Yezhegodniki Imperatorskikh Teatrov (St Petersburg/Petrograd, 1890–1915) listed all the dancers and artistic personnel in the employ of the St Petersburg and Moscow companies.
  26 Krasovskaya, "Petipa", pp. 153–4.
  27 Quoted in Wiley, Tchaikovsky's Ballets, p. 221.
- 28 Vera M. Krasovskaya, "Ivanov, Lev", *IED*, pp. 565-6.
- 29 Wiley, Ivanov, p. 174.
- 30 Ibid., p. 176.
- 31 Sergei Khudekov, "The Petersburg Ballet During the Production of *The Little Humpbacked Horse* (Recollections)", in Wiley, *A Century of Russian Ballet*, pp. 266–7.
- 32 Tamara Karsavina, "Platon Karsavin", *Dancing Times* (October 1964), p. 12.
- Dancing Times (October 1964), p. 12.

  33 "Before graduation . . many students never imagined the poverty in which their parents lived", wrote the dancer Anna Natarova in her recollections of theatre life in the 1840s. "However badly they fed us at school, it was worse at home" ("From the 'Recollections of the Artiste A. P. Natarova", in Wiley, A Century of Russian Ballet, p. 160).
- 34 For a description of training in the 1830s and 1840s, see "Recollections of T. A. Stukolkin", ibid., pp. 108-9. For training in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, see Tamara Karsavina, Theatre Street: The Reminiscences of Tamara Karsavina, foreword J. M. Barrie (London: Heinemann, 1930), ch. 7 ("The Pupil"); Princess Romanovsky-Krassinsky [Kshesinska], Dancing in Petersburg: The Memoirs of Kschessinska, trans. Arnold Haskell (London: Gollancz, 1960), ch. 3 ("The Imperial Ballet School"); Michel Fokine, Memoirs of a Ballet Master, trans. Vitale Fokine, ed. Anatole Chujoy (Boston: Little, Brown, 1961), ch. 2 ("Life in School"); and Bronislava Nijinska, Early Memoirs, ed. and trans. Irina Nijinska and Jean Rawlinson (New York: Holt, Rinehart & Winston, 1981), chs. 11-17.
- 35 Vera Krasovskaya, *Vaganova: A Dance Journey from Petersburg to Leningrad*, trans. Vera M. Siegel, intro. Lynn Garafola (Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 2005), p. 51.
- 36 Prince Serge Wolkonsky, My Reminiscences, trans. A. E. Chamot (London: Hutchinson, n.d.), p. 107. For Kshesinska's account of the incident, see Kschessinska [Kshesinska], Dancing in Petersburg, pp. 81–2.

  37 Ksehessinska, Dancing in Petersburg, p. 27.
- 38 Richard Taruskin, *The Oxford History of Western Music*, vol. Iv (New York: Oxford University Press, 2005), p. 142.

# 14 Opening the door to a fairy-tale world: Tchaikovsky's ballet music

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2 Volkov, *Balanchine*, p. 153. Herman Laroche recalls Tchaikovsky's turn from opera to ballet.
3 Volkov, *Balanchine*, p. 153.

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6 "Sovremennye izvestiya" (25 February 1877), p. 3. Translated in Wiley, *Tchaikovsky's Ballets*, p. 52.

7 As Wiley points out, St Petersburg newspapers commented on this similarity: *Novosti i birzhevaya gazeta*, 17 January 1895, p. 3; *Novoe vremya* 17 January 1895, p. 3. Tchaikovsky earlier used the Swan Theme for a children's play at his sister Alexandra Davydov's estate in 1870. Cf. Wiley, *Tchaikovsky's Ballets*, p. 37. 8 Wiley, *Tchaikovsky's Ballets*, p. 85.

Tchaikovsky originally composed this duet for Undine and her mortal lover, who must die for having betrayed her, in his opera *Undine* (1869). In *Swan Lake*, the soprano and baritone parts are played by violin and cello respectively.

9 Wiley, *Tchaikovsky's Ballets*, pp. 80–8. Wiley provides a detailed analysis of the use of keys throughout the ballet and how they relate to the characters.

10 Ibid., p. 244.

11 Ibid., p. 104. Ivan Alexandrovich Vsevolozhsky was Director of Imperial Theatres 1881–99. He had eliminated the post of a resident ballet composer, making it easier to give commissions to composers such as Tchaikovsky. 12 Tchaikovsky's response was written in Moscow on 22 August 1888 – more than three months after Vsevolozhsky's initial enquiry (my trans.). Wiley speculates that the director's original letter may have been lost (Wiley, *Tchaikovsky's Ballets*, p. 104).

13 Wiley, Tchaikovsky's Ballets, p. 104).
13 Wiley, Tchaikovsky's Ballets, p. 125.
14 Laroche. Izbranniye stat'i vol. 11 (Leningrad, 1975), pp. 140–3, trans. David Brown, Tchaikovsky Remembered. (London: Faber & Faber, 1993), p. 190. In addition to praising Tchaikovsky's achievement withSleeping Beauty, Laroche's review for theMoscow Gazette defends

the use of a children's tale for the ballet, remarks on the composer's skill at writing music of both a serious, melancholic nature as well as happy, lively material, and touches on the Russianness of his music.

15 Wiley, *Tchaikovsky's Ballets*, p. 361: "Musique douce et un peu ricaneuse". This request seems rather confusing. How can the Lilac Fairy be sweet and derisive at the same time? Perhaps Tchaikovsky thought similarly, since the end result is a theme that is *très douce* and not *ricaneuse* at all.

16 Wiley, Tchaikovsky's Ballets, p. 161.

17 Ibid., p. 161.

18 Brown, Tchaikovsky, p. 339.

19 Wiley, *Tchaikovsky's Ballets*, p. 228. Auguste Mustel was the inventor of the celesta.

20 Wiley, *Tchaikovsky's Ballets*, p. 234. Composer Mikhail Ippolitov-Ivanov had notated the Georgian lullaby and sent it to Tchaikovsky.

# 15 The romantic ballet and its critics: dance goes public

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2 See Ivor Guest, *The Romantic Ballet in Paris* (London: Dance Books, 1980), p. 109.

3 Ivor Guest, "Introduction", in Théophile Gautier, *Gautier on Dance*, ed. Ivor Guest (London: Dance Books 1986), pp. xix–xxvi; p. xxii.

4 Quoted in Marian Smith, "About the House", in Roger Parker and Mary Ann Smart (eds.), Reading Critics Reading: Opera and Ballet Criticism in France from the Revolution to 1848 (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2001), p. 225.

5 Théophile Gautier, *Histoire de l'art dramatique* en France depuis vingt-cinq ans, 6 vols. (Leipzig: Edition Hetzel, 1858–9) (Geneva: Slatkine Reprints 1968), vol. 1, p. i.

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8 Janin, Journal des débats, 27 June 1832.

9 Gautier, *Histoire de l'art dramatique*, vol. I, p. 127.

10 Gautier, Gautier on Dance, p. 6.

11 Anonymous critic of the *Revue et gazette musicale de Paris*, 18 August 1839, on Fanny Elssler dancing the *cachucha*.

- 12 Susan Bernstein, Virtuosity of the Nineteenth Century: Performing Music and Language in Heine, Liszt, and Baudelaire (Stanford, Calif.: Stanford University Press, 1998), p. 11.
- 13 Louis Gentil, in Jean-Louis Tamvaco (ed.), *Les Cancans de l'Opéra*, 2 vols. (Paris : CNRS, 2000), vol. 1, p. 338.
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#### 16 The soul of the shoe

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- 2 Ibid., p. 140.
- 3 Cf. Judith Chazin-Bennahum on Jean-Georges Noverre in Chapter 2.
- 4 Carlo Blasis, *Traité élémentaire, théorique, et pratique de l'art de la danse* was published in 1820. See Fig. 14.
- 5 Cf. New Grove Dictionary of Music and Musicians, ed. Stanley Sadie and John Tyrrell, 2nd edn (London: Macmillan, 2001). Entry Theobald Boehm.
- 6 The scene was later immortalised in Edgar Degas's painting *The Ballet Scene from Meyerbeer's Opera*, "*Robert le Diable*", 1876.
  7 Heinrich Heine, *Elementargeister* (Berlin, Paris: Säkularausgabe Akademieverlag and Edn. du CNRS 1979), vol. IX, p. 95. Trans. Marion Kant.
- 8 First draft of libretto for *Giselle*. Cf. Théophile Gautier, "Théatres, Mystère, Comédies et Ballets", in *OEuvres complètes* (Geneva: Slatkine Reprints, 1978), vol. VIII, p. 267.
- 9 Tutu, "childish alteration of *cucu*, dim. of *cul* rump or buttock", term used since around 1910. *Oxford English Dictionary* (Oxford: Clarendon Press, New York: Oxford University Press, 1991), entry "tutu". Cf. the comprehensive overview of the evolution of the tutu in Martine Kahane et al., *Le tutu* (Paris: Flammarion, Les petits guides de l'Opéra, 2000).
- 10 Théophile Gautier, *Peau de Tigre*. (Paris, 1866), pp. 335–6, quoted in Judith Chazin-Bennahum, *The Lure of Perfection*, (London and New York: Routledge, 2005), p. 194.
- 11 When the tutu was shortened even further and nothing remained but the tulle sticking out at the hip, the tutu required a metal hoop to keep it in shape.
- 12 This is one of the distinctions between the Russian and the American school. George Balanchine preferred a gentle rise, whereas the

- Vaganova style emphasised forcefulness and strength.
- 13 Dr Janice Bruckner, anthropologist, formerly Director of Research for the department of physical therapy at Philadelphia's Jefferson University, now at Widener University Pennsylvania, is the inventor of this pointe shoe. She developed it together with Prosthetic Orthotic Solutions International. Cf. Marion Kant, "The New Ballet Shoe", in *Ballettanz* (Berlin: Friedrich Verlag, 2004), p. 74.

### 17 Ballet avant-garde I: the Ballets Suédois and its modernist concept

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- 2 Pall Mall Gazette, 21 October 1922.
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- 10 Midi (Brussels), 3 June 1921.
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# 18 Ballet avant-garde II: The 'New' Ballet – Russian and Soviet dance in the twentieth century

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### 19 George Balanchine

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  Biography (New York: Times Books, 1984), p. 51.
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- 4 Charles Joseph, *Stravinsky and Balanchine: A Journey of Invention* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2002), p. xi.
- 5 Edwin Denby, *Dancers*, *Buildings and People in the Streets* (New York: Horizon Press, 1965), p. 84.
- 6 Francis Mason, *I Remember Balanchine* (New York: Doubleday, 1991), p. vii.
- 7 See Stephanie Jordan, *Moving Music:* Dialogues with Music in Twentieth-Century Ballet (London: Dance Books, 2000), pp. 123 and 87.

- 8 Balanchine picked music for its *dansante* quality; he held steadfast opinions about what kind of music was danceable.
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- 10 For a detailed account from this time period, see Yuri Slonimsky's memoir in Mason, *I Remember Balanchine*, pp. 19–78.
- 11 Mason, *I Remember Balanchine*, p. 7. Danilova and Balanchine were never legally married but were seen as such within their circle during the time they were together.
- 12 Apollo was originally entitled Apollon musagète. For its various titles, see Harvey Simmonds (ed.), Choreography by George Balanchine: A Catalogue of Works (New York: Eakins Press Foundation, 1983), p. 86. Adolph Bolm was the first to choreograph to this score; his version made its debut 27 April 1928, and Balanchine's followed June 12 of the same year.
- 13 Taper, Balanchine, p. 100.
- 14 See Beth Genné, "'Glorifying the American Woman': Josephine Baker and George Balanchine", *Discourses in Dance*, 3/1 (2006), pp. 29–65.
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- 16 See ibid.
- 17 Apollo was not composed for Balanchine; Balanchine only commissioned four scores from the composer.
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7 Mei Lanfang was the most famous Peking opera singer from the late Qing through the communist era. He was the founder of a new style of singing. He held numerous positions during the communist era. Tian Han was a famous writer and poet. He wrote more than one hundred plays, many songs/poems, and the lyric for the National Anthem.

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#### 23 Giselle in a Cuban accent

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Montreal on 24 and 26 June 1967, is reproduced in XLV Aniversario de Alicia Alonso en el personaje de Giselle, no pages.

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12 See Alonso, "Bailar ha sido mi vida", p. E24.
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Alicia and her Ballet Nacional de Cuba (Garden
City, N.Y.: Anchor Books, 1981), pp. 34–5.
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Alicia Alonso en el personaje de Giselle, no pages.
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content was probably sanctioned by Alonso as
director of the National Ballet of Cuba and the
Havana Grand Theatre, which issued the
publication.

15 The programme is reproduced in F. Rey Alfonso and P. Simón, *Alicia Alonso: Órbita de una Leyenda* (Madrid: SGAE, 1996), pp. 190–1. 16 See Alonso and Simón, "Fuentes y antecedentes de la escuela cubana de ballet", p. 35.

17 Sociedad Pro-Arte Musical, founded in 1919 in Havana. Alonso received her first ballet classes in Pro-Arte's studios. Later in her career, the Ballet Alicia Alonso appeared at the Auditorium Theatre as part of Pro-Arte's series.

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19 See Alfonso and Simón, *Alicia Alonso: Órbita de una Leyenda*, pp. 135–4.

20 In 1978 and 1979, the company danced Giselle, Coppélia, Grand pas de quatre and Les Sylphides. The programme for these two initial tours also included pieces by Cuban choreographers, but their choreography did not receive positive criticism. For later visits the group therefore focused on its European repertory. Recent tours have featured the company in a production of Cinderella by Cuban-French choreographer Pedro Consuegra (1998), Giselle (1999), excerpts from Don Quixote, Nutcracker, Sleeping Beauty, Giselle, Coppélia and Swan Lake (2001), Don Quixote (2003) and Swan Lake, Azari Plissetski's Canto Vital and Antonio Gades's Blood Wedding (2004).

#### 24 European ballet in the age of ideologies

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2 Rudolf von Laban, *Modern Educational Dance* (London: Macdonald & Evans 1948), p. 5 3 Cf. Chapter 18 by Tim Scholl, "The 'New' ballet: Russian and Soviet dance in the twentieth

century" and chapter 17 by Erik Näslund, "The Ballets Suédois and its modernist concept" in this volume.

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5 F. T. Marinetti, *Teoria e invenzione futurista*, ed. Luciano De Maria (Milan: Arnaldo Mondadori Editore, 1983), pp. 144–52. trans. Jonathan Steinberg.

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8 Théophile Gautier, *Mademoiselle Maupin* (Paris: 1834), p. 22.

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