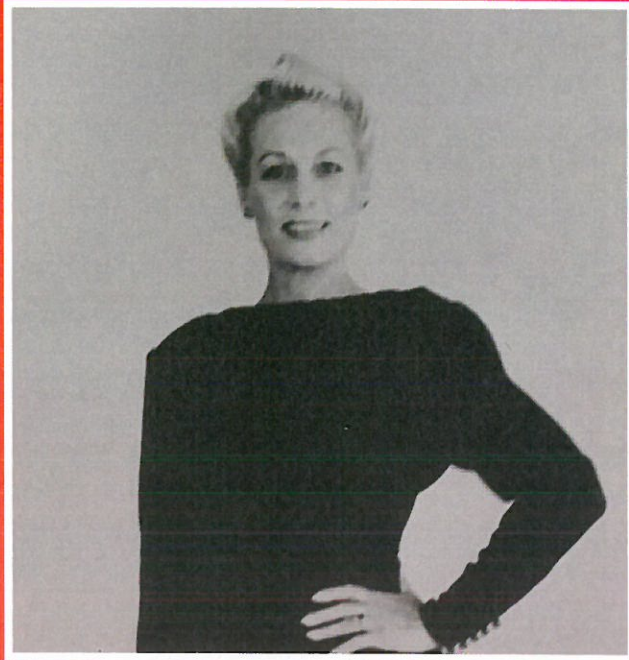


Galina Morozova

Outstanding Community Service Award



Galina Morozova is a ballet dancer and a choreographer. She was trained at the Pavel Virskiy's Ukraine State Dance Academy and made her debut in February 1969 at the State Dance Company of Byelorus'. Since then she had been working as a soloist for 20 years until her move to the US. She has studied and performed in many countries – Germany, England, Spain, France, Egypt - just to name a few. Together with her husband, Anatolyi Morozov, Galina founded The International Kids'Theater in 1990 in New York and then made her way to Los Angeles three years later in 1993. Anatolyi, a musician, an accordion player, sadly passed away next year and Galina continued on her own.

Since then she has been a heart and soul of the school. Her students participated in more than 15 national and international ballet and dance competitions. She choreographed more than a hundred dances and two full ballet productions "Nutcracker" and "Terem-Teremok." The school is unique, offering small class sizes and professional mentorship year round. It s the only dance school in Los Angeles that offers several specialized performances throughout the year.

Over the years Galina has helped the City of West Hollywood organize and participate in many different events such as the Russian Cultural Festival, Victory In Europe Day, "Collibri" and "Immigrant's Day" 2015 with legendary actress Aida Vedisheva and numerous community events. It is hard to imagine any concert in Plummer Park without Diamond Waltz, Balagury or any other delightful, adorable and yet highly professional production from Galina.

For over two decades, Galina has dedicated her time to teaching local children the beautiful grace of ballet technique and providing Russian culture and style to children of immigrant families so they don't forget their language and traditions! For the more than 20 years Galina raised over four generations of kids. Many of them are returning to continue to dance and bring their children.

This year Ms. Morozova will celebrate her 70th birthday and 50 years of her professional creative life. But she will not slow down. She continues to work hard, gives full attention to her students, their parents and other people around, whoever needs her help as a choreographer and just a good person.