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Appreciation letter for Mr. Gregor Seyffert activity at Berlin Ballet State School

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Dear all,

My name is Mirela Paduraru and I'm a mother of a little ballerina. In 2007 my daughter Sophia, at an important European Ballet Competition, won a Schollarship with the possibility of acceptance at Berlin Ballet State School, offered by Mr. Gregor Seyffert - respectable Jury Member at that competition.

Can you imagine for a 10 years old child what means that a great personality of the dance to believe in her potential???... What great and positive impact and what a great joy and confidence in her!...

Mr. Gregor Seyffert is a very respected Teacher and a great Choreographer, respected Jury Member at the most important dance & ballet competitions arround the world, with a fantastic career who can make the German nation proud!

This Schollarship and the fact that Mr. Seyffert believed in her, really changed her life because she decided to be a proffessional ballerina and to follow this path.

In April 2008 she had participate at the Berlin Ballet State School at that Schollarship. I was deeply impressed by the teachers and the entire team, with a very high professional level. The others 2 directors of the School of that time welcome us too, in a very friendly and a professional manner. The teachers were fantastic and the entire atmosphere was incredible!!! She was participating with her collegues at the general education classes too: mathematics, English, Music, German Language etc

She and all her collegues were very interested and very active, thanks to their teachers, who are open and friendly and very good pedagogue. Regarding Ballet Classes, the Ballet teachers were fantastic!!! Of course, they demand performance, because is one of the best Ballet School in the world! And Ballet It is not easy, but they were so well prepared that they could inspire the students, especially that they had stage experience and they can share their knowledge with the students. She made friends and, of course, you know that at that age, children are honest: nobody told her about "abuses", "terror"... At contrary: they were very happy, grateful and proud to be there!

They present us the Boarding School and also the restaurant: an impressive cleaning everywhere, a perfect organization, a polite atmosphere and everywhere happy students!!! That's we were observing everywhere: happy students with all skin colors, all nationalities, being guided by professionals and sharing the same passion: the Dance! Impressed about what she saw, Sophia had decided that Berlin Ballet State School is the place where she can study Ballet when she will grow up a little bit and she will be able to make the efforts to stay away of her parents, for studying dance. She told me, even at that age, that she is 100% sure that the School system, the teachers and the endowment of the School will help her to adapt to study abroad and to become a professional ballerina!

We had also the chance to see a show at National Theatre Berlin where all the students of the Berlin Ballet State School were performing, under the coordonation of Mr. Gregor Seyffert. It was an impressive show, prouving that the students were very well prepared and their teachers were guide them very well to this difficult and beautiful path: the Dance!

Therefore, when we saw the scandal in the press about "the abuses" at Berlin Ballet State School and "the terror" that students are experiencing there... we were completely shocked, because, in our

perception, is completely absurde!!!

As a parent, I'm 100% involved to sustain my daughter activity and everybody is talking about this scandal, in social media, internet, Facebook. We are strongly thinking that Berlin Ballet State School is a symbol of Berlin and Germany, the living proof that students, all colours, nationalities and religions, can live toghether, study together, grow together and follow their dream.

Because DANCE it's the universal language of the soul..

Stop this situation who is affecting the lives and the destiny of many students!

Stop this situation who is affecting the reputation of the great teachers of Berlin Ballet State School!

Don't distroy the reputation of one of the great School of the world, based of some anonymous complaints! I'm sure that you already know that, generally speaking, in life the great success not allways attire applauses...

It's very easy to destroy and very hard to build something.

Let's the great accomplishments, the fantastic results to speaks for itself! Please read and take in consideration all the support letters written by the students, their family members, their teachers and all other neutral people like me, my daughter and so many others. In the dance,

reputation means something.

Please RESPECT and APPRECIATE an entire life dedicated to DANCE and EDUCATION!

Thank you!

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