

June, 11-12, 2016

## FlamencoLIC - Flamenco and Spanish Classics in the heart of Long Island City, NY

Company: American Bolero Dance Company  
Venue: The Secret Theatre  
Location: Long Island City, NY

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Queens, NY-based American Bolero Dance Company (ABDC) celebrates its 20th Anniversary with the premiere of *FlamencoLIC*, a new signature production, directed and choreographed by ABDC's Artistic Director Gabriela Granados, that showcases popular flamenco and rarely performed classical Spanish dance styles, along with arias and duets from Spanish operetta (or Zarzuela), within an intimate black box theatrical setting that lends the audience an up close and personal show-going experience. Two concerts will take place on June 11th and 12th at The Secret Theatre, located near the Company's base in the heart of Long Island City's artists' quarters.

American Bolero Dance Company was founded by Ms. Granados in 1996 with a mission to preserve, teach and present performances in the United States that accurately represent the music, history and the traditional dances of Spain and its Latin American influences. Following its incorporation in 1998, the Company made its debut at Carnegie Hall with the Orchestra of St. Luke's. Since then, ABDC has presented its signature productions to rave reviews in the New York, the Mid-Atlantic States, and in Europe. These have included *Olé! Olé!* at the INTAR Hispanic American Arts Center (1998), *Olé! Olé! Fin de Siglo* at the Sylvia and Danny Kaye Playhouse (1999), *Spanish Gems* at Flushing Town Hall (2005) and *Retrospectiva* at the Tony Bennett Concert Hall in Frank Sinatra School of the Arts (2014). Its popular *Tablao Flamenco* series has taken place in Astoria from 2008 to 2015. As the Company's Artistic Director and primary choreographer, Ms. Granados has been frequently invited to choreograph for and appear with renowned opera companies and orchestras.

Exploring the rhythmic intricacies and song literature of Flamenco, the refined and stylized repertory of Clásico Español and the traditions of the Escuela Bolera, ABDC's productions are noted for their theatricality, imaginative choreography and authentic costuming, from their fully staged professional shows to the annual recitals by the students of the Company's affiliated Spanish Dance School (established in 2002). *FlamencoLIC* is no exception to this.

A spirited and varied program that journeys through different eras and music and dance genres, *FlamencoLIC* will surely please audiences of all ages and backgrounds. Classical compositions by such masters as Albeniz, Bretón, Lara, Lecuona and Sarasate as well as traditional flamenco dances like Soleá, Garrotín and Tientos will be presented. The production also boasts a stellar ensemble of some of the finest flamenco and classical dance and music performers from New York City, including dancers GABRIELA GRANADOS, JOSÉ MORENO, ADRIANA JACINTO, and DEBRA ANICH, flamenco singer AURORA REYES, baritone PETER CASTALDI, mezzo-soprano DARCY DUNN, guitarists BASILIO GEORGES and CRISTIAN PUIG, percussionist GUILLERMO BARRÓN, pianist WILLIAM HOBBS, and violinist HOJIN KIM. Additional choreography by Mr. Moreno will also be presented.

Tickets are \$35 for adults, \$30 for senior citizens and students (with proper identification) and \$20 for children ages 17 and under. Please note that seating is very limited. Advanced ticket purchase is highly recommended.

To learn more about *FlamencoLIC* or American Bolero Dance Company, visit [www.ambolero.com](http://www.ambolero.com). For inquiries in both English and Spanish, call (718) 392-8888.

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