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CHARLESTON, IL--The Ballet Metropolitan, described by a critic as giving "a performance that made a searing impact," will appear at Eastern Illinois University on Wednesday, Sept. 29 at 8 p.m. in McAfee Gymnasium.

Based in Columbus, Ohio, Ballet Metropolitan became a professional company in 1978 with the aid of a grant from a private foundation.

Represented in the repertoire are excerpts from the classics, neo-classics, new modern dance works, and dramatic theatre pieces.

A Metropolitan press release said "it is a goal of the company to present the work of American and foreign choreographers with absolute authenticity and taste and to bring to its audiences a varied and exciting theatrical experience."

Wayne Soulant, artistic director, danced and choreographed in the U.S. and Europe before coming to the Ballet Metropolitan. As a choreographer he has contributed several works, including "Home To You," inspired by the music of John Denver.

Ticket prices are \$5 for the general public and \$2 for Eastern students. Advance tickets will be on sale at the University Union Box Office on Wednesday, Sept. 22 between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

The program will be sponsored by the Union Board's Performing Arts Committee.