News of Note
COMINGS & GOINGS
Pacific Northwest Ballet principal Marie Chapman has retired.
Elizabeth Murphy has been promoted to principal.

AWARDS & HONORS
United States Artists’ 2015 fellows, who each receive a $50,000 cash prize, include: Jonah Bokaer, Camille A. Brown and Toni Pierce-Sands and Uri Sands. \* The Prix de la Danse de Montreal petite section for 2015 are: choreographer Alain Platel (Grand Prix, worth $22,551), dancer Lucie Vigneault ($10,000), dancer/choreographer Aurelie Pedron ($5,000), choreographer Melanie Derers ($10,000) and Zab Maboungou/Compagnie Danse Nyata Nyeta ($10,000). \* Hofesh Shechter has received a 2015 Gershon Bacharach Award, with its cash prize of about $15,000. \* Broadway actor Tony Yazbeck has been honored by the National YoungArts Foundation with the Astor Alumni Award. \* The winners of the 18th Annual Choreography Festival in Palm Desert, CA, are: Joshua L. Paugh/Dark Circles Contemporary Dance (Division I, grand prize), Dana Foglia/Dana Foglia Dance (Division I, paid-engagement award), Amy Solow/LAmy Selvret’s Imagery (Division I, second place), Jacob Montoya/Hawks Contemporary Jazz Company (Division II, grand prize), Terry LesseSchulke and Mandy Rogers/Points of View Dance Company (Division II, grand prize) and Norbert De La Cruz III/Maple Youth Ballet (Division II, second place).