



# REBECCA KELLY BALLET

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## REBECCA KELLY BALLET—TAHAWUS LODGE CENTER

Annual Appeal 2011

Dear Friend:

Rebecca Kelly Ballet/Appleby Foundation has been much in the news this year -- most of it exciting! In New York City, *Highlights from the Nutcracker Ballet* was repeated to enthusiastic audiences. City Center Studios was again the site of its engaging summer previews. And its popular Open Studio dance classes for children were fully enrolled.

In upstate New York, with its outreach programs, the vacant Tahawus Lodge Center in Au Sable Forks is being transformed into a space for both the Adirondack community and the art/dance world to take on innovative projects and share results. RKB's Outreach dance programs for rural areas had its largest enrollment ever. The new ballet *Apayaana*, a reflection of global warming, was highly praised, and recorded for PBS MountainLake TV programming.

All of these activities have been carried on in spite of the fact that grant money is scarce and government money greatly reduced. It is you who make our work possible. Your contribution is critical to our success. Whatever you give to the **Annual Appeal** helps underwrite the above.

But now there is a compelling reason for your support: In late August, Tropical Storm Irene, with its torrential rain and flooding in New England, had a large impact on the Tahawus Lodge Center. The attached photos tell all. In the weeks that have followed much has been repaired but further resources are needed to restore what was lost. So with this in mind, your contribution is especially crucial. Our mission is to strengthen and inspire individuals and communities through participation in the arts. Please join us in making this possible.

With warmest thanks,



Rebecca Kelly  
Artistic Director

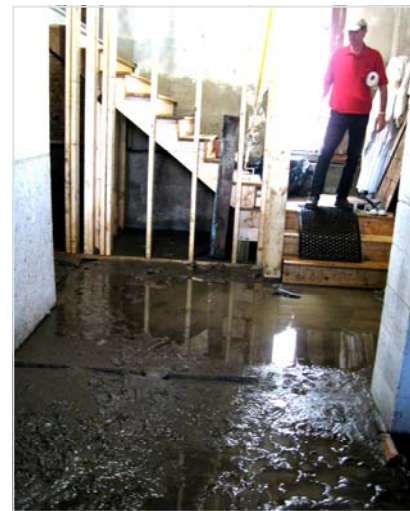


Craig Brashear  
Executive Director

*I loved the arc of the piece (Apayaana) and how there was a soft opening with the dancers seeming to awaken in fluttery, butterfly-like movements. I recognized in the movements and sounds our Adirondack environment and the changes going on around us. It was a wonderful, thought provoking evening of dance..*

Athena Roth,  
Lake Placid Visitors Bureau

**TROPICAL STORM IRENE** HAD A HUGE IMPACT ON THE NORTHERN COMMUNITIES OF THE ADIRONDACKS. THE AUSABLE RIVER ROSE TO A RECORD 18' 4" - ELEVEN FEET ABOVE FLOOD STAGE, DESTROYING HOUSES AND BUSINESSES. THE TAHAWUS LODGE CENTER BASEMENT WAS FILLED WITH 6.5' OF WATER — SUBMERGED ELETRICS, FALLEN PLASTER, FISH AND MUD EVERYWHERE. CLEAN UP AND SALVAGE ARE UNDERWAY AND HAVE OCCUPIED MUCH OF THE FALL.



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