

## **BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY**

- One of the largest private universities in the United States
- 33,000 students enrolled
- 72-78 percent of students speak a second language
- 45 percent have learned another language
- 73 percent come from outside the state of Utah
- Students from all 50 states and 121 countries
- One of the largest study abroad programs in the United States

## **PERFORMING ARTS AT BYU**

- 17 widely traveled performing groups
- Choral, instrumental, and musical theater groups
- Folk, ethnic, ballroom, modern dance, and ballet groups
- Each year five or six groups travel worldwide

## **ABOUT THE BALLROOM DANCE COMPANY**

(See the Fact Sheet for additional information)

- Dancers perform Broadway-quality dance numbers from large formation routines to solo numbers and everything in between. Colorful, dramatic, varied, and gorgeous costumes.
- The production is 90 minutes in length, and does NOT include an intermission.
- Made up of 32 dancers and five student technicians. Leaders include an artistic director, tour manager, technical director, trainer, and chaperones.
- Since 1971, the company has performed in 36 different countries and throughout the U.S.
- The current U.S. National Champion team in formation dance, the group also competes every three years in the prestigious British Ballroom Dance Championships in Blackpool, England, where they have won first place consistently for many years.
- Most recent tours include: England, Germany and Zurich, Switzerland in 2013; Historic Nauvoo, IL in 2012; Thailand and Vietnam, May 2011; Northern California in 2011 England and Scotland, May 2010; Mid-western USA, May, 2009; Hong Kong and China, June, 2008; Western Europe (6 countries) in May, 2007; Ukraine in May, 2006; Australia, New Zealand, and Tahiti in 2005.
- Upcoming tours include China in 2014 and Arizona in 2015