

Facts 2019-20 Season

Ballroom Dance Company

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- The Ballroom Dance Company will tour Botswana and South Africa in May 2020.
- In the summer of 2019, the Ballroom Dance Company returned to Blackpool, England where they won first place in the British Ballroom formation competition. The company also toured Belgium, France, Spain, and Switzerland.
- In 2017, the Ballroom Dance Company toured to South America, where they gave 9 performances to the people of Chile and Argentina and were also taught some Tango moves during a workshop.
- In May of 2016, the company traveled to Blackpool, England where they won first place in both British Ballroom formation and Latin formation competitions.
- The Ballroom Dance Company also placed first with their "Ode to Joy" Competition Medley in the 2016 Embassy Dance Championships Formation.
- In the summer of 2015, the company performed in Nauvoo, Illinois where they additionally presented special interactive programs at city care centers and public venues in nearby cities during their two-week stay.
- The dancers combine traditional formation dances and standard ballroom steps with fresh choreography, breathtaking lifts and spins, stunning costumes, and energetic melodies.
- The Brigham Young University ballroom dance program has gained an international reputation as the largest collegiate ballroom dance program in the world. Since its formation in 1971, the Ballroom Dance Company has performed in 37 of the United States and in 36 foreign countries throughout Europe, East Asia, Southeast Asia, the Middle East, South Africa, and the South Pacific.
- During their 2014 tour to China, the company was joined by a film crew to document the story of the team performing a joint number with their Chinese counterparts in the Guangzhou Academy.
- The company toured for three weeks in May 2011 in Thailand and Vietnam, giving nine performances to more than 14,700 people. They were also filmed for TV broadcast three times and performed for the Royal Princess of Thailand. This was the first time the group has performed in Vietnam.
- In June 2008, the company performed extensively in Hong Kong and China. The highlight of the 2008 tour was participation in the opening of the Beijing Cultural Olympic Festival, preceding the Summer Olympic Games in Beijing in August.
- The Ballroom Dance Company originates in the Department of Dance of the College of Fine Arts and Communications at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. BYU is one of the nation's largest private universities with an enrollment of more than 30,000 students from across the United States and more than 100 foreign countries.

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