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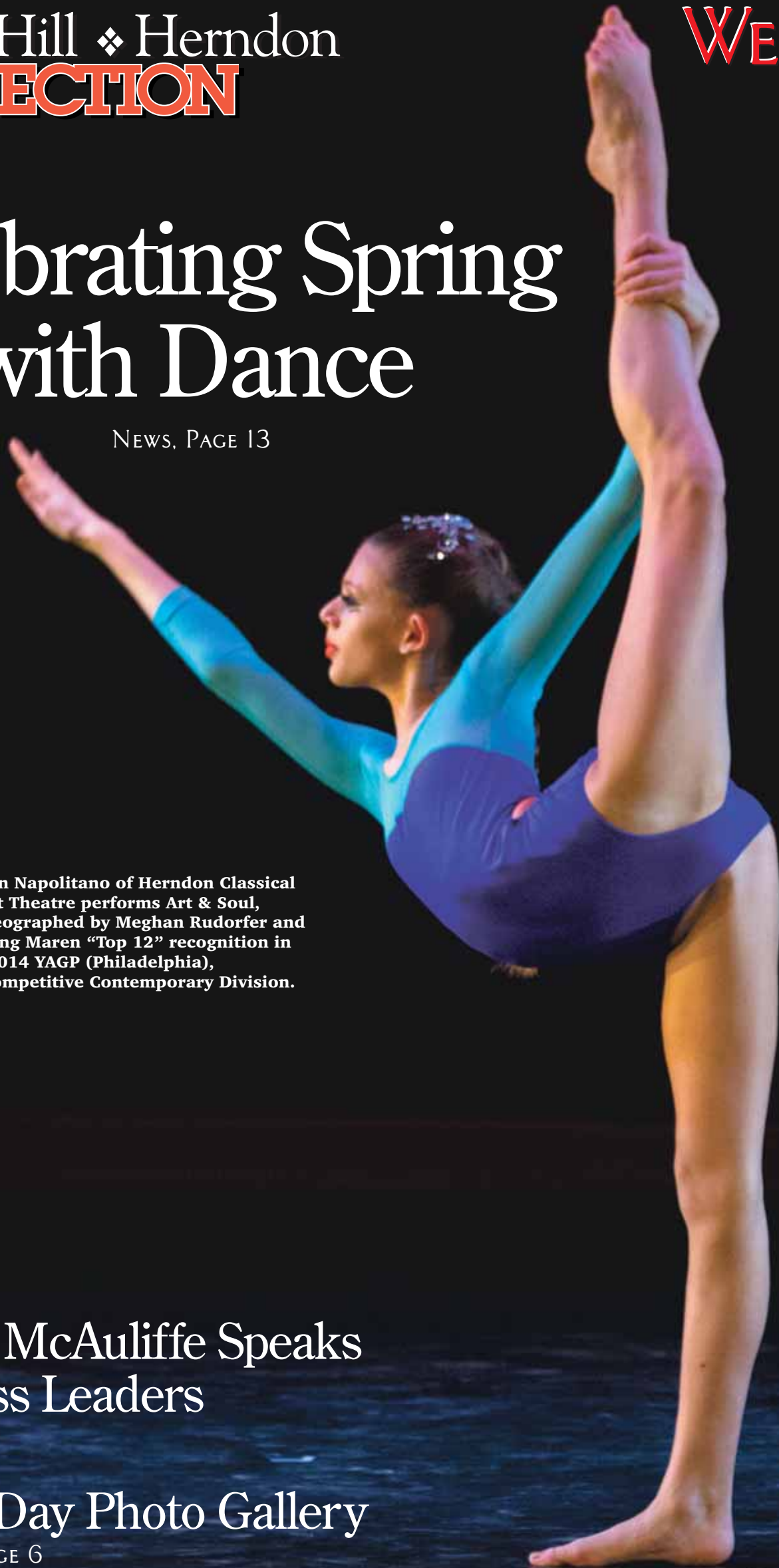
**Maren Napolitano of Herndon Classical Ballet Theatre performs Art & Soul, choreographed by Meghan Rudorfer and earning Maren "Top 12" recognition in the 2014 YAGP (Philadelphia), Precompetitive Contemporary Division.**

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## ENTERTAINMENT



**CBT dancers mesmerize their audience in *Après La Pluie*, also choreographed by Tara Henderson.**

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**C**lassical Ballet Theatre (CBT) celebrates this spring by sharing its love of dance with the community. In late March, it hosted children and their families at its Herndon studios for shorter, narrated Children's Series performances of *The Sleeping Beauty*, and, in early April, it took the full classic ballet to the big stage at the Ernst Theater. There, dancers performed before hundreds of enthusiastic audience members. In addition to friends and family, these included military personnel and Fairfax County teachers who received complimentary tickets in honor of CBT's Silver Anniversary.

For 25 years, CBT has shared its love of the performing arts with thousands of students and patrons, and its education and performance programs are flourishing. Executive Director Cynthia Donavin and Artistic Director and former Bolshoi Ballet star Alisher Saburov lead the faculty team. Together, they help every student develop to his/her potential by providing hands-on instruction, tailoring programs to meet individual needs, making a commitment to excellence, and sharing core values such as integrity, inclusion, discipline, and respect. They also provide master classes with industry leaders, Youth America Grand Prix coaching, dance conditioning, summer intensives, choreography camps, and multiple performing opportunities.

On May 9, students will have yet another opportunity to perform classical ballet and contemporary dance works. This time it will be for "Friends of Classical Ballet Theatre," the generous supporters who make fulfilling CBT's education, performance, and outreach

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**Claire de la Paz performs *Maelstrom*, choreographed by CBT faculty member Meghan Rudorfer. *Maelstrom* earned Claire recognition as a "Top 12" in the 2014 YAGP (Philadelphia), Precompetitive Contemporary Division. She also placed in the "Top 12" with her classical variation.**



**Alexandra Lopez leaps in *Llegando al Tempio*, choreographed by CBT faculty member Tara Henderson. Her performance of *Llegando al Tempio* earned Alexandra "Top 12" recognition in the 2014 YAGP (Philadelphia), Precompetitive Contemporary Division.**

mission possible. Presented by United Bank, the evening will include wine and hors d'oeuvres as well as performances of this season's highlights. CBT thanks

United Bank for making this event possible and invites those interested in being a part of CBT to visit <http://www.cbtnva.org> or call 703-471-0750.

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**Camille Passante portrays the delicate and beautiful Aurora in *The Sleeping Beauty*.**



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