DESIGN IN MOTION: A NEW YORK CITY BALLET FALL FASHION GALA RETROSPECTIVE DEBUTS AT INTERSECT BY LEXUS-NYC

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NEW YORK (**Sept. 10, 2019**) – On September 24, INTERSECT BY LEXUS will unveil Design in Motion: A New York City Ballet Fall Fashion Gala Retrospective – a first-ever exhibition that will provide an up-close look at the incredible artistry of the New York City Ballet (NYCB) Costume Shop. Design in Motion, curated by NYCB Director of Costumes Marc Happel, will showcase costumes from twenty-six of the fashion world's most visionary designers, spanning across the past seven editions of NYCB's annual Fall Fashion Gala.

The NYCB annual Fall Fashion Gala was conceived by NYCB's Board Vice Chair Sarah Jessica Parker in 2012 with a gala celebration of the legendary designer Valentino. Since then, top fashion designers and acclaimed choreographers from across the globe have collaborated with Happel on the costume designs for twenty-seven ballets. The retrospective exhibition will be located on the first and third floors of INTERSECT and will feature

the remarkable costumes, along with accompanying performance videos from 2012-2018. The designers whose costumes will be displayed at the exhibit include:

- Virgil Abloh of Off-WhiteTM
- Rosie Assoulin
- Thom Browne
- Sarah Burton for Alexander McQueen
- Tsumori Chisato
- Peter Copping for Oscar de la Renta
- Giles Deacon
- Alberta Ferretti
- Fernando Garcia and Laura Kim of MONSE and Oscar de la Renta
- Prabal Gurung
- Iris van Herpen
- Carolina Herrera
- Mary Katrantzou
- Humberto Leon of Opening Ceremony and Kenzo
- Marta Marques and Paulo Almeida of Marques' Almeida
- Hanako Maeda of ADEAM
- Zuhair Murad
- Dries Van Noten
- Gareth Pugh
- Narciso Rodriguez
- Jonathan Saunders
- Olivier Theyskens
- Valentino
- Jason Wu

"We're thrilled to partner with New York City Ballet, as they are a cultural symbol to New York City," says Rachel Espersen, director of Creative Programming and Partnerships for INTERSECT BY LEXUS. "As the first retrospective of its kind, Design in Motion will support INTERSECT's mission to bring culturally relevant experiences to life and highlight exceptional design."

For each NYCB Fall Fashion Gala, the designers and choreographers work together with Happel and the NYCB Costume Shop to find the right fabrics, construction and style for each ballet. Design in Motion will spotlight the extraordinary costumes of the ballet and the notable history of the artist collaborations.

"I am excited for people to see the sheer breadth of what has been created over the last seven years of the Fall Fashion Gala," says Marc Happel, NYCB's director of Costumes. "It's an incredible list of designers who we've collaborated with, and to see all these designs together in the INTERSECT space will be a remarkable experience. I am most honored to showcase the unbelievable artistry and versatility of the New York City Ballet Costume Shop, and the couture designs we've brought to life over the last seven years."

INTERSECT BY LEXUS – NYC is located at 412 West 14th Street New York, NY 10014. Design in Motion: A New York City Ballet Fall Fashion Gala Retrospective will be open to the public at INTERSECT BY LEXUS from September 24, 2019 through October 20, 2019, from 11AM-10PM daily. There is no admission fee to view the exhibition. For more information on the space please visit www.Intersect-NYC.com.