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David McAllister AM. Photo Credit: Justin Ridler

David McAllister AM to retire after two decades as Artistic Director of The Australian Ballet

At The Australian Ballet's Annual General Meeting in Melbourne today, Chairman Craig Dunn announced that the company's Artistic Director, David McAllister AM, has decided to retire at the end of 2020, his twentieth year in the role.

"David has taken The Australian Ballet to new heights during his two decades as Artistic Director," Mr Dunn said. "He has decided that his twentieth-anniversary year is the right time to hand on the artistic directorship of the company he joined as a dancer straight out of The Australian Ballet School in 1983."

"His leadership of the company has been extraordinarily successful and he will leave an enduring legacy."

"An orderly succession-planning process is in place. The company will begin celebrating David and his enormous contribution when we launch his final 2020 Season in September and throughout next year as David's final season unfolds around the country."

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