



BARE FEET® KICKS OFF PART II OF SECOND SEASON ON NYC LIFE WITH EMMY® WIN

Mickela Mallozzi, Host of Travel Dance Series, Wins NY Emmy® Award For On-Camera Talent: Performer/Narrator

NEW YORK, NY – May 7, 2015 – Mickela Mallozzi, host and creator of *Bare Feet®*, the popular travel dance series, took home a New York Emmy® Award for ‘On-Camera Talent: Performer/Narrator’ at Saturday night’s Gala at the Marriott Marquis in Times Square. The show, which follows Mallozzi as she travels the globe uncovering the dance and music culture of every place she visits, airs weekly on NYC Life, NYC Media’s arts, culture, and lifestyle channel. Mallozzi’s win was one of six New York Emmy® Awards won on behalf of NYC Media, the official broadcast network and media production entity of the City of New York. After a successful spring run of the first half of the season, NYC Life will continue to bring viewers on colorful dance adventures around the world starting Monday, May 11th at 9pm.

“I am humbled that the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences has honored me with this prestigious award as host of *Bare Feet®*,” says Mallozzi. “As Producer, Creator, as well as Host, it is a wonderful feeling to know that all of this hard work is being recognized by my peers in the industry. And I am so excited to continue the second half of this season with a bang!”

In the second half of *Bare Feet®*’s second season, Mallozzi continues her travels starting in Vienna, Austria, during the city’s busy Ball Season, to learn the Viennese Waltz. From there, the *Bare Feet®* series will continue through Polynesia, Asia, and the United States. Highlights of Mallozzi’s dance encounters from the upcoming five episodes in *Bare Feet®* include:

- Performing at a K-Pop Academy in Seoul, Korea’s infamous Gangnam District,
- Connecting with the Cook Islanders in preparation for the annual Dancer of the Year Competition,
- Dancing with Champion Buck Dancer, Thomas Maupin, outside of Nashville, Tennessee,
- Learning the cultures of the Whirling Dervishes in Konya, Turkey.

New episodes of *Bare Feet®* air weekly on Mondays at 9pm on NYC Life, available in the New York tri-state area over-the-air (Channel 25.1) and on Cablevision (Channel 22), Comcast (Channel 14), Direct TV (Channel 25), RCN (Channel 25), Time Warner (Channel 25), and Verizon FiOS (Channel 25); episodes are re-broadcast on Tuesdays at 12:30pm and Saturdays at 12noon & 8:30pm. Support for the program has been provided in part by Walks of Italy and Insight Vacations.

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ABOUT BARE FEET®

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Experiencing the world, one dance at a time!

The two-time New York Emmy® nominated show, *Bare Feet® with Mickela Mallozzi*, is a unique take on destination travel and arts coverage, combining dance and tourism together through immersion and integration. Mallozzi, producer and host of the series, started the *Bare Feet®* project driven by her passion for exploring world cultures. Mallozzi received a New York Emmy® Award in May 2015 for On-Camera Talent: Performer/Narrator in *Bare Feet®*.

ABOUT MICKELA MALLOZZI

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Mickela Mallozzi is the two-time New York Emmy® nominated host, producer, and creator of *Bare Feet®*, a travel/dance series that originated online in 2010. Formerly an assistant to one of the world's most famous metal rock bands (Slipknot), Mallozzi quit her job to start a journey around the world, taking her camera with her to follow dance in the lives of everyday people wherever she went. She has been featured in *The New York Times*, *Travel Channel*, *American Express*, *Dance Magazine*, *Yahoo! Travel*, and *AFAR Media*, and she has performed on various television shows including *Sesame Street*, *The Doctor Oz Show*, and *TBS's Movie and a Makeover*. Mickela is now offering *Bare Feet® Dance Tours*, dance-focused itineraries based on the series, for travelers to join her in various destinations around the globe. She is also the co-director of the [Women's Travel Fest](#), an annual festival whose mission is to inspire, empower, educate, and connect women through travel.

Mickela Mallozzi is available for interview; promo images are available upon request – for more information please contact:

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