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Amanda Wells,
Michael Badger,
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Barrington Hinds

LOOK! It's TPB's Michael McGonegal in DM!



William
Newton and
Michael
McGonegal in
Smith's Den III

Arvina Siskar, Courtesy Houston Ballet

Houston's Fresh Choreography

This year, the annual Spring Showcase for the Houston Ballet's Ben Stevenson Academy will show off more than just the talents of its students. Also on the bill will be the work of Houston Ballet II's own budding choreographer, 20-year-old Garrett Smith. His piece *Den III* made its international debut with HBII in Budapest last November, eliciting an encore at the request of the elated crowd. Smith's new piece for the April 24-25 showcase will feature eight dancers and include music by Vivaldi and Beethoven. See www.HoustonBallet.org.

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