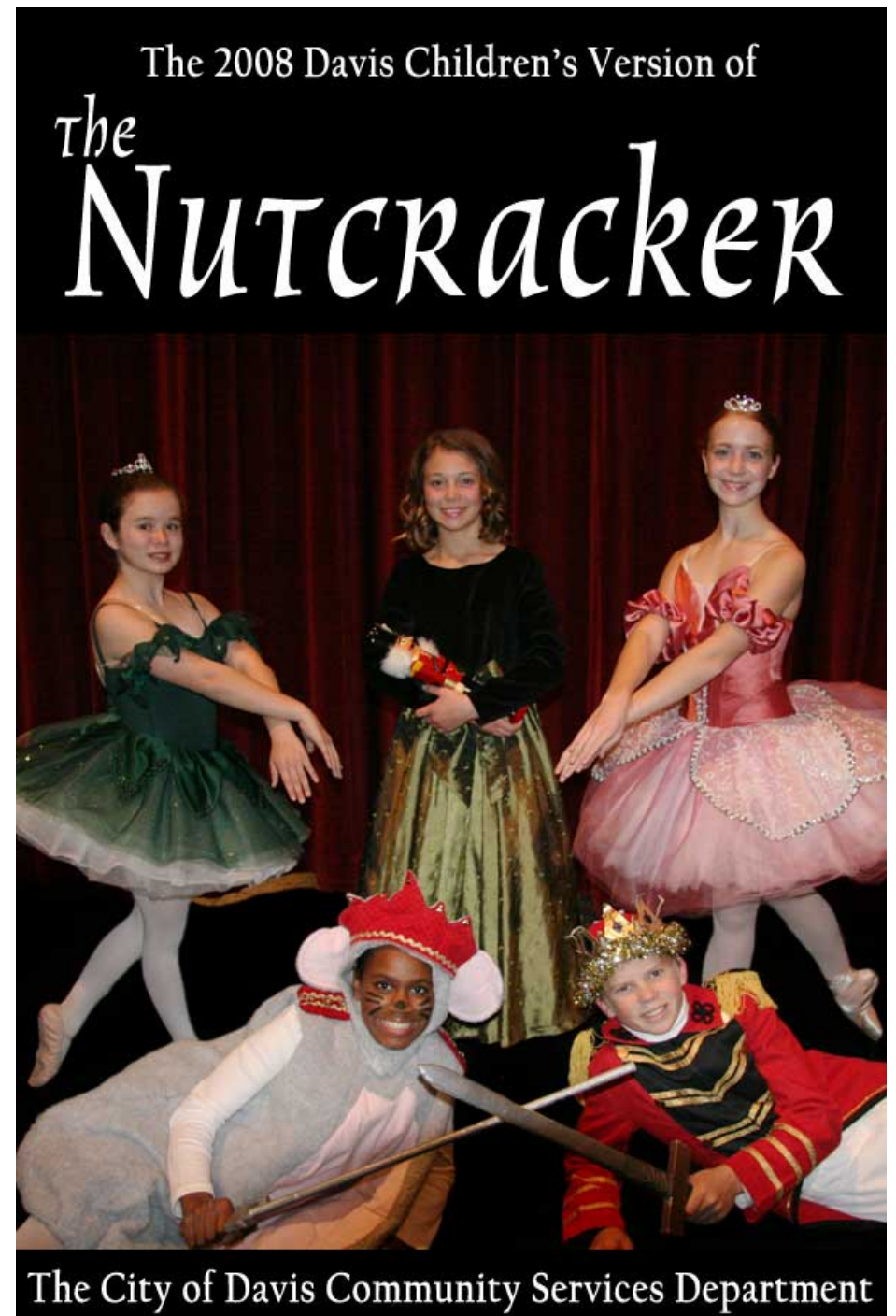


*Dear Friends,
The Davis Children's Nutcracker is a wonderful holiday tradition. It is you and your children that make this a unique and enjoyable production. Thank you so much for experiencing this with us and have a wonderful holiday season!*

*Happy Holidays!
Kristen Hilton and Shannon Clegg*



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The 2008 Davis Children's Nutcracker



PERFORMED AT THE VETERANS' MEMORIAL THEATER
DECEMBER 17TH, 18TH, 19TH, 20TH, AND 21ST

Inspired by the original 1816 E.T.A. Hoffman story
"The Nutcracker and the Mouse King"

Director Ann Smalley
Producers Kristen Hilton & Shannon Clegg
Original Music.....Peter Tchaikovsky

Technical Production Staff

Stage Manager.....Robert Schulz
Asst. Stage Manager..... Alex Strack
Lighting Design & Director.....Chris Wong
Technical Consultant.....Tiffany Michael
Sound Engineer.....Derrick Wydick
Head Set OperatorAmy Taylor

Costume Designer

Diana Raabe

Production Coordination Staff

House Managers..... Andrew Gardener
MPR Monitors Carolyn Taylor, Kathryn Taylor
Costume Monitor.....Diana Raabe, Collette
Group Photos..... Karen Froyland
Video Production Tom Estes

Pre-Production Crew and Set Design: Erik Gaumer,
Clayton Jimenez, Dylan Jimenez, Derrick Wydick, Karen
Morriss, Nate Strickland, Shahne Belveal, Dylan McCapes,
Tyler Raabe, Tim Smith, Robert Schulz, Greg Wershing,
Sam Wheeler

Stage Crew: Clayton Jimenez, Dylan Jimenez, Karen
Morriss, Robert Schulz, Tim Smith, Alex Strack, Ned Sykes,
Greg Wershing, Logan Wershing, Sam Wheeler

Lighting Crew: Kevin Deacon, Ellen Griesemer, Kate
Griesemer, Tobin Jones, Kate McFarland, Ben Strickland,
Nate Strickland, Greg Wershing



The Nutcracker Story



Based on the tale by E.T.A. Hoffman

"The Nutcracker" is a fairy tale about a young girl, Clara, and a very unusual Christmas. Her Drosselmeyer, the family friend, is a magical, mysterious character who attends the family Christmas party, bringing Clara a special gift -- a beautiful Nutcracker doll. Very excited about the new doll, Clara wants to stay up all night with it, but her family sends her off to bed. After everyone has left the party and her family is sound asleep, Clara sneaks back downstairs to look at her new Nutcracker doll. She falls asleep and begins to dream.

She is suddenly awakened by a roomful of mice led by a frightening Mouse King that tries to kidnap her and take her to his kingdom. Clara searches for her Nutcracker, but he has disappeared. Suddenly, the Christmas tree begins to grow to an enormous height. Everything in the room is out of proportion. The Nutcracker appears with a band of soldiers. They have come to save Clara from the Mouse King. A battle ensues. The soldiers and the mice fight a vicious battle, and when the Mouse King threatens the Nutcracker, Clara throws her shoe at the Mouse King. Distracted, he is finally defeated by the Nutcracker.

The Nutcracker Prince appears to take her away to his palace. They travel through the enchanted land of the Snowflakes to the land of the Sweets. Here, they meet delights from around the world. They are entranced by the Sugar Plum Fairy and the beautiful waltzing flowers. Clara never wants to leave the Prince or the enchanted land, but she awakens from her fascinating dream to find herself under the Christmas tree with her family and friends around her. She still has the Nutcracker Doll to help her remember her wonderful, magical Christmas.





Special Thanks To:



*City of Davis, Community Services
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The Veterans' Memorial Staff

Veterans Memorial Theater Staff

Tom Vinik

(for the Nutcracker display in the VMC lobby)

The Director Wishes To Give Special Thanks To:

*Kristen Hilton, Shannon Clegg,
Diana Raabe, Amy Taylor, Chris
Wong, Derrick Wydick, Robert
Schulz, The Stage Crew, The Set
Crew, My Nursery School staff,
and Ty Smalley*



Nutcracker Cast



Leads

*Clara Sydney Maguire
Nutcracker/Prince Riley Hickman
Fritz Kevin Austin
Mother Christina Simpson
Father Ryan Kreidler
Grandmother Nora Hall
Grandfather Frank Spinardi
Drosselmeyer Rami Rashmawi
Nanny Heather Huston
Mouse Queen Brittany Aldredge
Sugar Plum Fairy Alex Sprague
Forest Fairy Devon Hayakawa
Gnome King Brycen Wershing
Narrator Yasmin Kouchesfahani*

Leads Leaders: Sarah Eadie, Dard Hunter

Dance Leads Leader: Shaila Bonano

Big Party Guests

Cassandra Archer, Ben D'Angelo, Ryan Dockter, Ceara Kornblum, Hyundong Lee, Brooke Marigo, Elliana Meinert, Tara Mullen, Sarah Oslund, Justin Reno, Kian Reno, Loren Skinner
Leaders: Nelson Hosley, Molly Pon, Madison Yeaman

Little Party Guests

Molly Anderson, Hayley Sue Benson, Emily Blackwell, Grace, Bosco, Lily Heilmann, Anna Sanchirico, Everett Sloane, Nate Stoltz, Shayleigh Thompson, Jack Walsh, Maya Wood
Leaders: Austin Barden, Allie Loux, Jenna Strack, Braeden VanDeynze

Dolls

Anya Burstein, Marissa Caldwell, Ashley DeMarco, Camilla Jensen, Grace Mariano, Hallie Tobia
Leaders: Lucy Brazil, Carley Galbraith, Jessica Laurence

Teddy Bears

Miriam Halperin, Malina Janzen, Brianna La Vergne, Andrew Montano, Jaret Navarro, Daniel Ostrom, Sepp Sanchirico, Klara Underwood, Cooper Welsh
Leaders: Julianna Arvin, Emily Farrell, Kallie Gregg



Nutcracker Cast



Cats

Hadley Citron, Sydney DaRold, Kara Eilander, Laurana Hancock, Rosey Heilmann, Bella Houck, Emma Jordan, Laurel Krovetz, Maddie Price, Chloe Sears

Leaders: Gretchen Huston, Briana Pereira, Abigel Whitcomb

Mice

Amelia Allison, Jon Botting, Molly Burke, Christopher D'Angelo, Lindsey Haas, Elizabeth Herrejon, Daniel Hoban, Allison Metler, Mia Motekaitis, Megan Mullin, Andrew Murdoch, Sara Noren, Carson Quick, Brittany Steenbergen

Leaders: Patrick Kreidler, Julia Spangler, Shelby Stahl, Adam Raabe

Soldiers

Johah Buchanan-Caldwell, Ryan Fulks, Bryce Gregg, James Hayakawa, James Herrgesell, Seth Hoban, Connor McCarty, Jimin Moon, Scott Oslund, Jackson Terner, William Ziegler, Brandon Zoghbi

Leaders: Kian Bagheri, Kody Moynihan, Jase Thomson

Gnomes

Daniel Alvarez, Nicholas Archer, Peter Conant, Isaac de la Cruz, Devin Haas, Giovanni Janzen, Jenna Karoly, Nicolaus La Vergne, Kyla Leacox, Brooke Lee, Kinsey McCoy, Henry Moore, Sabreen Rashmawi, Hunter Sprague, Max Sprague, Maddy Stanley

Leaders: Lyndsay Carpenter, Kaley McGrew, Joshua Robinson, Patrick Roughton

Snowflakes

Selby Anderson, Clara Ault, Julia Bonnel, Grace Carlson, Alissa Casillas, Jordan Hayakawa, Margarita Herrejon Joanna Kim, Kate Meinert, Emma Nance, Sarah Oide, Rachel Solomon, Megan Spangler

Leaders: Morgan Appezzato, Katherine Eadie, Linnea Runsom

Bugs, Bees, & Insects

Owen Carr, Alexis Concolino, Jenna Dyer, D.Xavier Garrison-Kralik, Alexandra Hanna, Brooke Imamoto, Mason Johnstone, Sydney Moore, Will Phillips, Cameron Tompson

Leaders: Mitchell Navarro, Erin Savoia, Sally Spinardi, Katelyn Yeaman

Spanish Dancers

Matthew Blackwell, Cater Carlson, Brandon Hein, Cooper Hosley, Kamiah Jensen, Jordyn Micke, Maya Miramontes, Samantha Moore, Sophia Sears, Perry Winsor

Leaders: Jean Coleman, Kaylor Glassman, Rigel Navarro, Kayla Robinson

Chinese Dancers

Isabella Ainsworth, Jessica Block, Brynne Fredricksen, Lexi Kornblum, Eleanor Richter, Cassidy Stahl, Kendall Warnock, Hannah Herrgesell

Leaders: Taylor Difuntorum, Isaih Hale, Madeline Kelsch



Nutcracker Cast



Russian Dancers

Cecilia Cannata, Spencer Demmin, Meg Eiseman, Jillian Fahey, Sadie Marigo, Ethan Park, Khalida Pergher, Lance Prussel, J.J. Totah, Bo Van Court, Hana Wood, Carson Zenner

Leaders: Aubrey Pelz, Tyler Raabe, Halley Rainer

Hawaiian Dancers

Samuel Burns, Kasey Carlson, Bradley Carpenter, Abby DeVarenes, Casey Harris, Ricky Houck, Matie Knorr Evans, Morgan Mooney-McCarty, Mackenzie Quick, Daniella Qvistgaard, Emma Robinson, Marianne Simpson, Glen Welch, Natalie Wheeler, Amelia Ziegler

Leaders: Justin Behrens, Andrew Block, Elizabeth Kubey, Rachel Mirst, Katie Van Deynze

Swing Dancers

Adam Hoban, Audrey Ashdown, Corin Shields, Carolina Sturla, Ian Miramontes, Jane Bellamy, Justin McGrew, Kylie Navarro, Matthew Karoly, Matthew Raabe, Morgan Metler, Camille Johnson

Leaders: Kyra Gmoser-Daskalakis, Emily Peri, Connor Quinn

Mother Marshmallow and her Sweets

Grace Harrison, Jacob Perez, Ty Soderquist, Nathan Solomon, Andy Tobia, Elle Motekaitis

Mother Marshmallow: Karl Schmiegel

Leaders: Maggie Campos, Emma Knoesen, Karl Schmiegel

Bakers

Alyssa Alvarez, Arden Ambrose-Winters, Jasmine Casillas, Hannah Denton, Alexandra Diamant, Beka Dunaway, Geneva Duren, Tessa Hickman, Kelsey Imamoto, Katurah Johansson, Megan Klisiewicz, Bailey Mknelly, Clare Mullin, Katherine Murdoch, Sabina Padilla, Julianna Quistgaard

Leaders: Britta Burtis, Hanna Jolkovsky, Amelia Stanley

Clowns

Alena Alvarez, Wesley Aptekar-Cassels, Spencer Ault, Andrew Bell, Jesse Brandt, Delaney Davis, Justin Dillard-Telm, Aliya Hirzy, Autumn Johansson, Darby Maguire, Tessa Malone, Meg Robinson, Nina Shields, Lucas Solomon, Neil Welch, Baxter Whittemore, Maggie Whittemore, William Wyman, Hanah Wyman, Audrey Zenner

Leaders: Harry Greer, Garrett Hosley, Emma Hunter, Emilie Johansson, Brett Worley

Arabian Dancers

Sam Ault, Eliza Buchanan, Madeleine Gallay, Ryan Gomez, Aaron Hirst, Avery Krovetz, Tyler Brown, Hannah Lorico Hertz, Zachary Lorico Hertz, Riley McCoy, Elizabeth Rutherford, Adair Savoia, Allegra Starr, Spencer Zenner

Leaders: Lindsay Brandt, John Greer, Ciara Hale

Flowers

Sydney Johnstone, Jordyn Fahey, Kendal Paulson, Emilia Sloane, Maria Soubbotina

Leaders: Katya Christian, Tara Newell, Emily Taylor