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 2009 Davis Children’s Nutcracker

PERFORMED AT THE VETERANS’ MEMORIAL THEATER
DECEMBER 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, and 20th

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
Technical Director & Stage Manager................. Robert Schulz
Assistant Stage Manager ................................ Alex Strack
Lighting Design & Director ............................ Chris Wong
Sound Engineer ........................................... Derrick Wydick
Head Set Operator ...................................... Amy Taylor

Costume Designer
Diana Raabe

Production Coordination Staff
House Managers ........................................ Sarah Eadie
MPR Monitors ......................................... Carolyn Taylor, Kathryn Taylor
Costume Monitor ....................................... Diana Raabe
Group Photos .......................................... Karen Fregland
Video Production ...................................... Tom Estes

Pre-Production Crew and Set Construction:

Stage Crew:
Julian deTerra, Clayton Jimenez, Courtney Jimenez, Tiffany Michael, Robert Schulz, Alex Strack, Ned Sykes, Greg Wershing, Logan Wershing, Sam Wheeler

Lighting Crew:
Joaquin Chavez, Jenny Estremera, Ellen Griesemer, Kate Griesemer, Tara Rankin, Nate Strickland, Jenna Templeton, Greg Wershing, Chris Wong

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. Herr 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.
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Veteran’s Memorial Theater Staff
Tom Vinik
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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 ................................................................. Sophia Sears
Nutcracker/Prince .............................................. Kevin Austin
Fritz ................................................................. Steven Csaposs
Mother ............................................................ Katurah Johansson
Father .............................................................. Loren Skinner
Grandmother ..................................................... Autumn Johansson
Grandfather ..................................................... Ryan Kreidler
Drosselmeyer .................................................... Brycen Wershing
Nanny ............................................................. Kasey Carlson
Mouse Queen .................................................... Nora Hall
Sugar Plum Fairy ............................................... Serena Roberts
Forest Fairy ........................................................ Grace Shelledy
Gnome Queen ................................................... Sarah Zaragoza-Smith
Narrator .......................................................... Tarin McMorrow

Big Party Guests
Arden Ambrose-Winters, Matthew Blackwell, Samuel Burns, Bradley Carpenter, Nicola Goldstein, Ryan Gomez, Aaron Hirst, Amelia Otto-Cutting, Darby McGuire, Justin Reno, Giuliana Salerno, Emilia Sloane
Leaders: Austin Barden, Emily Farrell, John Greer

Little Party Guests
Clara Ault, Clay Ballard, Adam Brugger, Emily Chapman, Erica Frederickson, Joanna Kim, Grace Lundgren, Kate Meinert, Sarah Oide, Daniel Ostrom, Ty Soderquist, Rachael Solomon
Leaders: Elizabeth Kubey, Aubrey Pelz

Dolls
Emily Blackwell, Maya Brandy, Kamiah Jensen, Fiona Strachan-Payne, Kate Thompson
Leaders: Maggie Campos, Allie Loux, Madison Yeaman

Teddy Bears
Cameron DeMasi, Amaralyn Ewey, Rockwell Lybbert, Ishan Malik, Gavin Pinnow, Olivia Price, Lorena Rogers, Jillian Watkins
Leaders: Lindsay Brandt, Emma Knoesen, Adam Rabbe
Nutcracker Cast

**Cats**
Grace Barger, Alexis Concolino, Morgan Kong, Tatum Kubik, Brianna LaVergne, Holly McGuinness, Sarah Needles, Mia Panelli, Natalie Thompson, Kenda Wyels, Emily Blackwell, Maya Brandy, Kamiah Jensen, Fiona Strachan-Payne, Kate Thompson
Leaders: Maite Khorr Evans, Linnea Ransom, Shelby Stahl

**Mice**
Travis Cosgrave, Carina Fettinger, Ryan Fisk, Bruno Francis-Hall, James Herrgesell, Kaitlyn McElhern, Andrew Montano, Gabriela Moreno, Elle Motekaitis, Sepp Sanchirico, Katie Stachowicz, Carson Thompson, Shayleigh Thompson, Antonio Zaragoza
Leaders: Dylan Jimenez, Katie Van Deynze, Joshua Robinson

**Soldiers**
James Bensen, Shawn Crowell, Carl Caspess, Christopher D’Angelo, Chase DeMasi, Brandon Folb, Mason Johnstone, Jaret Navarro, Scott Oslund, Cameron Thompson, Jack Walsh, Cooper Welsh
Leaders: Nelson Hosley, Connor Quinn, Spencer Zenner

**Gnomes**
Ryan Crowell, Spencer Denmin, Ryan Fulks, Milo Goldstein, Adam Greenlee, James Hayakawa, Byron McConnell, Henry Moore, Leah Murray, Joshua Ramos, Eleanor Sobottka, Allegra Starr, Kendall Warmock, Carson Zenner
Leaders: Kalani Batnasiri, Garrett Hosley, Jessica Laurence, Kody Moyihan

**Snowflakes**
Eliana Enriquez, Niya Flin, Hazel George, Alejandra Herrejon, Brooke Imamoto, Rosie Mariano, Elizabeth McConnell, Rose Moylan, Sitara Parks, Anna Skinner, Emma Thompson, Alyssa Walter, Katie Wydick
Leaders: Kayla Robinson, Erin Savoia, Sally Spinardi

**Bugs, Bees, & Insects**
Owen Carr, Ben Flett, Erik Fredricksen, Katrinna Haws, Tanner Mandelaris, Garrett Milner, Jessi Porterfield, Marishke Pretorius, Nathan Solomon, Jackson Terning, Carsen Whitehead
Leaders: Patric Kreidler, Halley Rainer, Alex Totah, Camille Totah

**Spanish Dancers**
Anthony Cannata, Aedan Enriquez, Brynne Fredricksen, Madison Lemmo, Emma Nance, Ayden Powers, Paige Rubinstein, Savannah Whitehead, Perry Winsor, William Wyman
Leaders: Andrew Block, Katherine Eadie, Katelyn Yeaman

**Chinese Dancers**
Molly Burke, Meghan Eisenman, Emma Jordan, Sadie Marigo, Isabella Moore, lanthe Pretorius, Taylor Trinidad, Hana Wood, Lauren Aquino
Leaders: Katya Christian, Gretchen Huston, Emily Peri

Nutcracker Cast

**Russian Dancers**
Grace Bosco, Jonah Buchanan-Caldwell, Grace Carlson, Jenna Dyer, Bryce Gregg, Hannah Lybbert, Sydney Moore, Megan Mullin, Carsen Quick, Giacomo Sorrentino, William Ziegler, Brandon Zoghibi
Leaders: Kian Bagheri, Rachael Hirst, Audrey McNamara

**Hawaiian Dancers**
Emily Bonnel, Torrey Frederickson, Casey Harris, Hannah Herrgesell, Hannah Lorico-Hertz, Zachary Lorico-Hertz, Kelsey McMorrow, Clare Mullin, Sarah Oslund, Dauphine Parks, Matthew Raabe, Elly Schwab, Lucas Solomon
Leaders: Carly Galbraith, Hanna Jolovskij, Braeden Van Deynze

**Swing Dancers**
Jessica Block, Carter Carlson, Ryan Dockter, Brandon Hein, Cooper Hosley, Heather Huston, Matthew Karoly, Kendal Paulson, Mackenzie Quick, Julianna Quistgaard, Frankie Spinardi, Cassidy Stahl
Leaders: Rigel Navarro, Jase Thomson, Brett Worley

**Mother Marshmallow and her Sweets**
Claire Barrett, Emme-Kate Eisenman, Emma Flett, Alex Freedland-Wolford, Shea Sorrentino
Mother Marshmallow: Dylan Jimenez
Leaders: Lyndsay Carpenter, Amelia Stanley, Abby Whitcomb

**Bakers**
Kate Bosco, Aliya Hirzy, Claire McElher, Julia Kelsch, Samantha Moore, Cecilia Cannata, Helen Porterfield, Eleanor Richter, Brooke Rubinstein, Makenna Rubinstein, Nina Shields, Christina Simpson, Marianne Simpson, Maddy Stanley, Hallie Tobia, Emme Van Vorhis
Leaders: Jean Coleman, Taylor Difuntorum, Madeline Kelsch

**Clowns**
Lauren Aquino, Andrew Bell, Sydney DaRold, Alex Diamant, Jordan Hayakawa, Camilla Jensen, Jenna Karoly, Rachael Klusky, Nicolaus LaVergne, Lucas Llorens, Grace Mariano, Mia Motekaitis, Eli Otto Cutting, Maddie Price, Justin Quistgaard, Ethan Ramos, Leila Roberts, Chloe Sears, J.J. Totah
Leaders: Lucy Brazil, Kaley McGrew, Kian Reno, Mitchell Navarro

**Arabian Dancers**
Sam Ault, Spencer Ault, Jesse Brandt, Rachel Greenlee, Laurana Hancock, Grace Kaplan, Justin McGrew, Makenna Mugnani, Alex Panelli, Meg Robinson, Everett Sloane, Kinsey VanDeynze, Natalie Wheeler, David Yu
Leaders: Julianna Arvin, Kallie Gregg, Isiah Hale

**Flowers**
Clara Barnardt, Kara Eilander, Devon Hayakawa, Abigail McIntyre, Khalida Pergher, Hannah Richter
Leaders: Emma Hunter, Eliana Jolkovsky