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!

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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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DAVIS CHILDREN’S NUTCRACKER

Performed at the Veterans’ Memorial Theater
December 17\textsuperscript{th}, 18\textsuperscript{th}, 19\textsuperscript{th}, 20\textsuperscript{th} and 21\textsuperscript{st}

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

\textbf{Director}
Ann Smalley

\textbf{Producers}
Ajay Raj

\textbf{Original Music}
Peter Tchaikovsky

\textbf{Technical Production Staff}
Technical Director Robert Schulz
Stage Manager Robert Schulz
Lighting Design & Director Ajay Raj
Costume Design & Costumer Ellen Griesemer
Sound Engineer Derrick Wydick
Costume Assistant & Assistant Stage Manager Hilary Shontz

\textbf{Production Coordination Staff}
Assistant Producer Hilary Shontz
House Manager and House Assistant Ajay Raj
MPR Monitors Audrey McNamara
Group Photos Karen Froyland
Video Production Tom Estes

Pre-Production and Stage Crew: Ajay Raj, Derrick Wydick, Hilary Shontz, John Schuster, Logan Wershing, Greg Wershing, Robert Schulz, Sam Wheeler, Sonia Chavez, Courtney Tilden, Celia Sepulveda, Christina Wood, Eli Smith, Tom Vinik, Audrey McNamara, Ricki Dowling, Jackson Jordan

\textbf{Nutcracker Cast}

\textbf{Leads}
Clara Claudia Peri
Nutcracker/Prince Andrew Montano
Fritz Dean Fulks
Mother Jenna Dyer
Father Sepp Sanchirico
Grandmother Lily Linaweaver
Grandfather Garrett Milner
Drosselmeyer Jack Jessen
Nanny Emme Dunning
Mouse King Alexandra Hanna
Sugar Plum Fairy Emily Sutcliffe
Forest Fairy Sophie Brennan
Gnome King Parker Johnson
Narrator Braeden Ingram

Leaders: Brycen Wershing, Tarin McMorrow, Abby Sutcliffe, Allison Ayers
Dance Leaders: Serena Roberts, Kristy Nguyen

Big Party Guests
Emily Chapman, Natalie Hussey-Thompson, Caroline Chilcott, Kali Hoal, Molly Dunning, Molly Anderson, Zachary Purnell, Zachary Ayers, Aspen Whitmer, Jack Eastham, Tate Lindquist, Owen Carr
Leaders: Giuliana Salerno, Kendall Warnock, Sophia Sears

Little Party Guests
Anderson Luft, Luke Blewett, Miller Traum, Nikko Cech, Cooper Ballard, Ava Kirk, Sierra Baptiste, Piper Welsh, Maya Gagnon, Laila Djifroudi
Leaders: Heather Huston, Margo Fenton

Dolls
Madeline Zafonte, Annika Huneke, Alice Roggenbuck, Kendall Schmid, Satya Dunning, Paloma Campi
Leaders: Kinsey Van Deynze, Jaz Brayton

Teddy Bears
Liam Anderson, Will Sutcliffe, Chloe Harrison, Gracie Luft, Nicholas Luty, Niko Augustine, Rose Rasmussen
Leaders: Elliana Meinert, Grace Mariano
Nutcracker Cast

Cats
Eva Makus, Nisha Chander, Emma Withrow, Nova Fadteke, Maya Terning, Norah Roessler, Natalie Roessler, Julianna Elliott, LeTian Wang, Emma Nervo, Ann Marie Tettah
Leaders: Kasey Carlson, Adrianna Young, Katrina Toups

Mice
Madeline Doherty, Tucker Elliott, Vivian Li, Joseph Purnell, Darius Kim, Emily Fowell, Kyle Blewett, Addison Milner, Isaac Chen
Leaders: Emily Nazario, Sydney Johnstone, Carson Zenner, William Wyman

Soldiers
Juliet Jones, Abigail Paterniti, Katie McMullen, Jacob Hertz, Avery Ruiz, Henry Hutchings, Andres Eisen, Hafez Elfarra, Cody Walsh
Leaders: Justin McGrew, Hanah Wyman, Carter Carlson

Gnomes, Trees, Frogs
Nola George, Owen Watkins, Ridley Silva, Sebastian Moreno, Elliot DeJong, Matthew Bell, Jaxon Kamisky, Kyle Watkins, Thomas Doherty, Brooke Noren, Dante Peri, Truman Duren, Elise Wyman, Roman Mariano
Leaders: Ryan Gomez, Kate Mienert, Brittany Steenberg

Snowflakes
Emily Li, Mila Kimball, Lucy Bolz, Sofia Alvarado, Alyssa Lopez, Kyla Steen, Audrey Beauchamp, Abigail Seibert, Reese Wattersen, Eme Yu-Yang, Sofia Kelly, Isadora Harris, Daphne Roe, Avery Wolk, Adelina Wehner
Leaders: Linda Su, Emily Torbert, Amanda Nazari, Jill Fahey

Bugs, Bees, & Insects
Olivia Sanchirico, Ava Brusca, Max Brennan, Emily Anderson, Alex Richmond, Collin Szymoniak, Jenna Son, Madison Wohlgluemth
Leaders Justin Reno, Ryan Fulks, Shayleigh Thompson

Spanish Dancers
Ellen Ferguson, Amelie Ingram, Analia Eisen, Reese Quick, Makena Leacox, Mason Ruiz, Brody Welsh, Truman Roe, Joshua Nance, Lucas Cardenas
Leaders: Brian Johnstone, Molly Burke

Chineses Dancers
Mia Fong, Katie Dowling, Kathleen Duffy, Anya DeJong, Gillian Brizee, Kate Phillips, Bethany McElherm, Emerson Cece, Natalie Hewitt
Leaders: Claire Michael, Austin Aquino-Harrison, Jasmine Casillas

Russian Dancers
David Shigematsu, Alden McCabe, Everett Watterson, Alexander Watterson, Liam Langly, Tyler Cross, Kaitlyn Schroeder, Emily Schneider, Alice Jang, Marie Candelo, Lucy Anderson, Charlotte Sloane
Leaders: Kelsey McMorrow, William Phillips, Aloe Demichael

Hawaiian Dancers
Stella Cardinas, Alyssa Waterson, Alice Lanier, Asise Bhinder, Devan Langley, Sydney Booth, Teddy Bastino, Mason Johnstone, Carsen Thompson, Chloe Barr, Makena Fix, Alicia Joo, Cooper Ferguson, Clay Ballard, Sophia Leamy, Cami Cusi, Cameron Hussey-Thompson, Maya Sortor
Leaders: Aaron Hirst, Nora Hall, Byron McConnell

Swing Dancers
Kaitlyn McElhern, Clara Ault, Megan Mullin, Anna Skinner, Amanda Soeth, Kalista Toups, Jonathan Vochatzer, Ethan Trinidad, Cameron DeMasi, Joaquin Campbell-Holguin, Griffin Szymoniak, Jonathon Huneke
Leaders: Madeline Stanley, William Johnson, Meg Robinson

Mother Marshmallow: Spencer Zenner
Sweets: Henry Thompson, Clayton Brizee, Baylie Cabrera, Brianna Lyon, George Hutchings, Sophia Cross, Kenessa Evans
Leaders: Julia Kelsh, Emma Nance, Audrey Zenner

Bakers
Paddy denDulk, Scarlett Darrah, Corinne Dejong, Anna Lovely, Marina Greenwood, Eliana Enriquez, Ludi Wang, Mollie Dyer, Kelsey Lindquist, Caroline Murdoch, Anna Szymoniak, Amanda Archer, Charlotte Booth, Silke Pion, Anna Harrison, Sophia Ballard, Olivia Price, Elizabeth McConnell
Leaders: Jordyn Micke, Ashley Rinetti, Madeline Price

Clowns
Hazel George, Emma Brayton, Steven Partida Jr., Reese Mathison, Elizabeth Barger, Mick Dunning, Devin Gagnon, Evan Barker, Sweden Carlson, Calum McCarter, Naish Carlisle, Brynn Mannix, Anya Rene, Sawyer Schoen
Leaders: Cassie Archer, Jack Premzic, Allegra Starr

Arabian Dancers
Vasja Zezulak, Katie Wydick, Grace Heringer, Liz Meyer, Peyton Schoen, Reagan Cusi, Gabriela Moreno, Claire Barrett, Adam Hutchings, Nathan Makus, Jackson Mank, Hugo Swanepool
Leaders: Amelia Ziegler, Abigail McIntyre

Flowers
Ella Heringer, Emily Haws, Allison Beauchamp, Veronica Roe, Paige Carlock, Mia Mangney, Jillian Watkins
Leaders: Sarah Nguyen, Leila Roberts