

THE 2018
DAVIS CHILDREN'S VERSION OF

The *Nutcracker*

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!



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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 and 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 wonderfully magical Christmas.



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Tom Vinik



The Director Wishes to Give Special Thanks to:

Ajay Raj, Jennifer Schultze, Derrick Wydick,
Robert Schulz, John Schuster, the Tech Crew.



DAVIS CHILDREN'S NUTCRACKER

Performed at the Veterans Memorial Theater
December 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th

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

Director
Ann Smalley

Producer
Ajay Raj

Original Music
Peter Tchaikovsky

Technical Production Staff
Technical Director **Robert Schulz**
Stage Manager **Christopher Sortor**
Assistant Stage Manager **Sam Wheeler**
Lighting Design & Director **Ajay Raj**
Costumers **Agatha Scott, Emily Sutcliffe, Janet Flores**
KatrinaToups, Shayleigh Thompson
Sound Engineer **Derrick Wydick**

Production Coordination Staff
Assistant Producer **Jennifer Schultze**
House Manager **Emma Fotheringham**
House Assistant **Tarin McMorrow**
MPP Monitors **Katrina Toups, Sophia Sears, Tarin McMorrow**
Group Photos **Karen Froyland**
Video Production **Tom Estes**

Pre-Production and Stage Crew: Ajay Raj, Christopher Sortor, Cliff Tsai, Derrick Wydick, Eli Smith, John Schuster, Robert Schulz, Sam Wheeler, Tom Vinik, William Phillips

Registration and Ticket Sales: Ajay Raj, Christina Wood, Hollay Saraf, Jennifer Schultze, Lisa Yoakum, Maria Gladden, Michael Cirelli, Sonia Chavez, Tamiko Kwak, Thania Barragan.

THE 2018 DAVIS CHILDREN'S NUTCRACKER

Nutcracker Cast

Leads

Clara **Emma Withrow**
Nutcracker/Prince **Dante Peri**
Fritz **Enzo Cacciatore**
Mother **Maya Terning**
Father **Sawyer Schoen**
Grandmother **Piper Welsh**
Grandfather **Hafez Elfarra**
Drosselmeyer **Jacob Hertz**
Nanny **Isabella Fahrni**
Mouse Queen **Myla Dale**
Sugar Plum Fairy **Bethany Kepner**
Forest Fairy **Vivian Li**
Gnome King **Alex Richmond**
Narrator **Maya Gagnon**

Leads Leaders: Allison Ayers, Andrew Montano, Ryan Fulks, Zach Purnell
Dance Leaders: Chloe Sears, Kyla Burmester, Maya Alexander

Big Party Guests

Addison Milner, Adeline Jones, Elizabeth Claire Dombrowski, Elena Facciotti, Emelyne Arnold, Katelyn Secrest, Kaylie Tessier, Lucy Bolz, Madeline Miller, Madison Wohlgemuth, Michal Groszlik, Nova Fadtko, Owen Tessier
Leaders: Emma Nance, Parker Johnson, William Phillips

Little Party Guests

Ana Mendez-Nunez, Chelsea Heiser, Elizabeth Williams, Ellery Adams, Rory Fletcher, Santiago Wehner, Scarlett Gillet-Kalisky, Sophie Sulenta, Tinaye Mukome, Troy Erbacher
Leaders: Alexandra Freedland-Wolford, Amanda Soeth, Mason Johnstone, Peyton Schoen

Dolls

Kate Napolitan, Lilah Shapiro, Lyla Mankin
Leaders: Cooper Welsh, Elizabeth Barger, Hugo Swanepoel, Maya Sortor, Savana Sull

Teddy Bears

Antonia Chase, Evelyn Findlay, Harris Chase, Lawrence Chase, Owen Arnold, Sam Ostrem, Samuel Drabkin
Leaders: Cooper Welsh, Elizabeth Barger, Hugo Swanepoel, Maya Sortor, Savana Sull



Nutcracker Cast

Cats

Brandi Peters, Cambria Bertolero, Elena Hollar, Farallon McCormick, Ixchel Moreno-Nyholm, Kara Shigematsu, Lilia Duey, Maureen Cullison, Maya Nosek, Olivia Pattison, Olivia Tafolla, Quincy Alfar,

Leaders: Daniela Lane, Kalista Toups, Lindsey Su

Mice

Danica Steen, Elsie Blankenship, Finley Rodden, Hadi Elfarra, Isaac Spencer, Joaquin Dersch, Josie Schneider, Kevan Zarghami, Lily Sronce, Lucas Inderbitzin, Marjorie Samuels, Nika Guy

Leaders: Amelie Ingram, Emily Sutcliffe, Katie Stachowicz, Natalie Hussey-Thompson, Paige Carlock

Soldiers

Callum Lea, Courtney Waterson, Craig Heiser, Farouk Elfarra, Garrett Tessier, Grant Lee, Griffin Jones, Hattie Reasenber, Liam Doan, Owen Mayor, Tai Tredennick

Leaders: Brittany Steenbergen, Jack Walsh, Mollie Dyer

Gnomes, Trees, Frogs

Abigail Greene, Adelina Wehner, Colin Campbell, Donica Sisco, Hayden Luten, Henry Thompson, Kyle Kwak, Lucian Voskuhl, Max Pandeleos, Noah Hollar, Oren Vinokurov, Sophia Cross, Thomas Bolz, William Findlay

Leaders: Austin Wilcox, Elodia Alvarez, Joshua Nance

Snowflakes

Annie Vellanoweth, Bella Smith, Catherine Popescu, Emily Hayden, Erin Lemmo, Ilona Parker, Jasmine Rasmussen, Kady Carter, Layla Wolk, Lily Edmonds, Lilyana Harris, Maria Ross, Reina Hess, Sophie Fahrni, Stella Hay

Leaders: Carina Fettinger, Emma Vellanoweth, Jessica Siu

Bugs, Bees, & Insects

Amelia Zellou, Caitlin Luft, Callum Buchanan-Cello, Charlotte Dockter Declan Lea, Ryan Richmond

Leaders: Caroline Carrie, Maya Wood

Spanish Dancers

Alejandra Sequeira, Amelia Roberts, Avery Wolk, Brianna Lyon, Delilah Perkins, Dina Reynolds, Eloise Samuels, Emily Royalty, Eva Knudsen, Lucy Spang, Lyla Drabkin, Siena Cooper, Taylor Anderson, Winter Davis, Zoey Dockter

Leaders: Charlotte Sloane, Kate Meinert

Chinese Dancers

Aubrey Hibbard, Emilee Jones, Faith Heringer, Lauren Pratt, Lillian Facciotti, Lily Batista, Maesen Galas, Michelle Pro, Natalie San Souci, Siena Calciano, Xochitl Torres

Leaders: Brittany Steenbergen, Molly Dunning

Nutcracker Cast



Russian Dancers

Andrew Gonzalez, Annabelle Ruud, Brady Coleman, Hope Heringer, Kaila Cech, Kayla Mulhearn, Laura Kay, Margot Lubell, Nella Barrett, Phoebe Kasuga, Reed Sorenson, Ty Phillips

Leaders: Emily Sutcliffe, Grace Hartsough, Jessica Siu

Hawaiian Dancers

Abigail Paterniti, Catherine Carrie, Clayton Brizee, Cody Walsh, Donovan Wood, Emily Anderson, Emily Schneider, Hannah Porter, Madeline Doherty, Norah Roessler, Olivia Inderbitzin, Olivia Sanchirico, Rylan Sull, Tess Gillet-Kalisky, Truman Roe

Leaders Brody Welsh, Caroline Chilcott, Carsen Thompson, Owen Carr, Thomas Doherty

Swing Dancers

Aida Bozorgchami, Amy Karim, Daphne Roe, Everly Lovato, Gracie Luft, Henry Hutchings, Joey Bertolero, Kate Phillips, Kyla Steen, Liam Anderson, Lucy Anderson, Mazzy Love, Mia Mariani, Takeshi Luke, Tegwyn Lea, Tristan Smalley

Leaders: Carina Fettinger, Devin Gagnon, Parker Johnson

Sweets

Charlie Garcia, Lauren Plumer, Mabel Davis, Marley Chambers, Sachiko Luke

Mother Marshmallow: Zachary Purnell

Leaders: Alicia Joo, Carson Zenner, Parker Johnson

Pirates

Anya Rene, Eva Playter, Hayden Perkins, Judah Mukome, Madeline Moffitt, Natalie Roessler, Nicholas Hess, Nikko Cech, Noah Spencer, Sierra Baptiste, Will Sutcliffe

Leaders: Elodia Alvarez, Hazel George, Sophia Leamy

Clowns

Arshan Zarghami, Casey Kuhner, Cooper Carter, Dashed Voskuhl, Foster Griffith, Henry Eich, Ian R.C. Erbacher, Jack Roberts, Kira Kelly, Miles Livingston, Oliver Reinhart, Owen Withrow

Leaders: Cameron Hussey-Thompson, Jenna Dyer, Tyler Cross

Arabian Dancers

Addison Perkins, Audrey Knudsen, Brooklyn Paratore, Cole Peters, Einar Knudsen, Faisal Zellou, Layla Davis, Leah Dombrowski, Linden Perkins, Luciana Brusca, Noelle Sorenson, Rose Rasmussen, Saskia Zavod, Scarlett Ortega, Whitney Heiser

Leaders: Dean Fulks, Emma Nance, Owen Carr

Flowers

Emma O'Keefe, Esther Kapovich, Julia Tsai, Kristen Kay, Lola Samrick, Nathalie Stem, Nisha Chander, Satya Dunning, Sofia Kelly

Leaders: Chloe Sears, Kyla Burmester, Maya Alexander