

THE 2022 DAVIS CHILDREN'S VERSION OF
THE NUTCRACKER



DIRECTED BY ANN MARIE DRAGICH FEATURING ORIGINAL MUSIC BY PETER TCHAIKOVSKY

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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NUTCRACKER CAST

Leads

Clara Maggie Loscutoff

Nutcracker/Prince *Cooper Carter*

Fritz *Farouk Elfarra*

Mother *Sylvia Calfee-Sission*

Auntie *Katherine Krimm*

Grandmother *Erin Lemmo*

Nanna *Layla Wolk*

Drosselmeyer *Mackenzie Froman*

Nanny *Olivia Pattison*

Mouse King *Liam Doan*

Pipsqueak *Patrick Whitby*

Sugar Plum Fairy *Hollis Walker*

Forest Fairy *Elena Hollar*

Gnome King *Hadi Elfarra*

Narrator *Maisie Raffuse*

Leads Leaders: Dante Peri, Myles Dale

Big Party Guests

Natalie Chen, Juliana Erickson, Craig Heiser, Ada Jacobs, Else Tollerup

Leaders: Tommy Doherty, Whitney Heiser

Little Party Guests

Ching Chuen Chan, Elizabeth Hartley, Jacob Heringer, Wren Jacobs,

Atticus Stone

Leaders: Tommy Doherty, Whitney Heiser

NUTCRACKER CAST

Dolls

Skyler Bruhn, Vivian Calfee-Sission, Sufi Dunning, Natalie Edworth,
Charlotte Lowenthal, Esme Rolwell

Leaders: Matthew Bell, Calvin Zwahlen

Teddy Bears

Titus Carter, Rowan Flores-Duran, Anjani Shimoda

Leaders: Matthew Bell, Calvin Zwahlen

Cats

Keaton Boyd, Kate Chitwood, Addy Dorn, Alice Justice, Alina Lorenzi,
Estrella Moreno-Nyholm, Michelle Rios, Emma Steel-Lowney

Leaders: Mattie Doherty, Dina Reynolds

Mice

Dougie Arnold Jr., Rylee Corey, Sawyer Di Camillo, Eli Pro, Madison Rogers,
Sebastian Yau

Leaders: Maya Terning, Gillian Brizee

Soldiers

Rory Doan, Andy Moon, Bubba Pattison, Jordan Sokolov, Callum Tryon

Leaders: Maya Terning, Gillian Brizee

Gnomes, Trolls

Parker Blankenship, Rubie Kasuga, Jackson Long

Leaders: Tommy Doherty

Snowflakes

Karuna Boon-Long, Valentina Cossy Giles, Ella Eich, Bailey Heise,
Aurora Read

Leaders: Rose Rasmussen

Festival Dancers

Avery DeHoff, Kate Kwak, Emily Plumer, Jasmine Rasmussen, Ada Rogers,
Bonnie Wade

Leaders: Matthew Bell

NUTCRACKER CAST

Parasol Dancers

Emerson Frank, Gabriella Harrington-Rosi, Althea Stone, Mariah Vela
Luyao Wang, Sonia Whitby

Leaders: Maya Gagnon

Candy Cane Dancers

Sonya Arnold, Fiammetta Ciabattari, Megan Dabel, Katie Hayden
Simone Justus, Natlie Lin, Blake Oleson, Hannah Talkington

Leaders: Rose Rasmussen, Siena Calciano

Beach Dancers

Elsie Blankenship, Troy Erbacher, Emily Hayden

Leaders: Truman Roe

Swing Dancers

Kadyen Carter, Lily Edmonds, Chelsea Heiser, Phoebe Kasuga
Ixchel Moreno-Nyholm

Leaders: Carli Schulz, Julia Tsai

Sweets

Monroe Brown, Samuel Long, Jackson Merrit

Mother Marshmallow: Matthew Bell

Leaders: Maya Gagnon

Jewel Dancers

Matias Cossy Giles, Finley DeHoff, Madison Froman, Estelle Justus

Leaders: Mattie Doherty

Flowers

Aylin Berk, Mabel Davis, Adelaide Zwahlen

Leaders: Nisha Chander, Julia Tsai

DAVIS CHILDREN'S NUTCRACKER

Filmed at the Veterans Memorial Theater

December 3

Inspired by the original 1816 E.T.A. Hoffman story

"The Nutcracker and the Mouse King"

Director

Ann Marie Dragich

Producers

Marissa Rooney, Hollay Shayegi

Original Music

Peter Tchaikovsky

Technical Production Staff

Technical Director *Robert Schulz*

Stage Manager *Corinne Balmain*

Costume Design *Rose Curfman*

Lighting Design *Joseph Fletcher*

Master Electrician *Josh O'Guinn*

Sound Engineer *Nick Cooper*

Stage Crew *May Murray, Kelli Jones*

Production Coordination Staff

VMC Office *Eli Ishikawa, Gillian Brizee, Truman Roe*

Video Production *Tom Estes*

Pre-Production and Stage Crew: *Jenny Tan, May Murray, Josh O'Guinn, Nick Cooper, Rose Curfman, Corrine Balmain, Kelli Jones, Luke Crabbe, Alex Clubb, John Schuster*

Registration and Community Services Staff: *Sonia Chavez, Tamiko Kwak, Mari Lehmer, Deanne Machado, Caitlyn Valle, Christina Wood*

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DEAR FRIENDS,

The Davis Children's Nutcracker is a wonderful holiday tradition. It is you who make this a unique and enjoyable production. Thank you so much for experiencing this with us. Have a wonderful holiday season!

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