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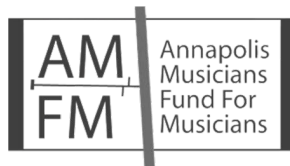
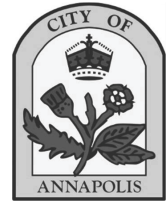
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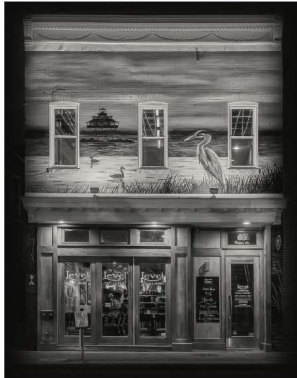
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# The Nutcracker

December 14th-22nd, 2024 at Maryland Hall

**Choreography:** Dianna Cuatto after the Christensen brothers after Petipa

**Music:** Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky

**Costume Design:** Karen Kralik, Alyssa Johnson-Taylor

**Wardrobe Coordinator:** Karissa Kralik and Clara Molina

**Wardrobe Department:** Amanda Cobb, Sarah Hoffman, Karen Kralik, Karissa Kralik, Clara Molina, Laurie Molina

**Lighting Design:** Stacie Johnson-Leske

**Sets and Props:** Dianna Cuatto

## Act 1

### Scene 1

Herr Drosselmeier and his nephew Christopher are busy putting the finishing touches on some magical presents for his favorite goddaughter, Clara. When Clara's father, Herr Silberhaus, passed away, Drosselmeier, for all his mysterious, eccentric ways, developed a special fondness for his young goddaughter. It is Christmas Eve and Clara's 15th birthday party celebration. While Drosselmeier's presents for her have always been fantastic and magical beyond belief, at Christmastime he plans to give Clara a most special and enchantingly magical present this year to mark the passing of childhood, her journey through time into adulthood. What could be more enchantingly magical to give her than the Nutcracker soldier?

Meanwhile, Clara's Aunt Lisa and her cousin Marie are busy decorating the Christmas tree, while Clara helps her mother and the maid with the final preparations before the guests arrive. Clara's mischievous brother, Fritz, looks for the first guests to arrive as he teases younger sister, Louise, with his toy rat. The guests arrive in all their finery. The children entertain themselves while the parents arrange the presents under the tree. Frau Silberhaus calls the children to dance with each other. They receive their presents just in time to celebrate the arrival at the party of Grand Admiral Hoffman, his daughter, his grandson, and granddaughter. At the height of the celebration, Clara's mysterious Godfather Drosselmeier and his nephew arrive magically as if time stops still for him. He has games and presents for the children. He has also brought three life-size mechanical dolls to entertain the guests. Clara especially loves the Snow Queen kissing doll, but is disappointed when her mother tells her she can't keep it. Drosselmeier saves the day by presenting her with the enchanted Nutcracker soldier, which Clara instantly loves. It becomes the envy of all the guests - especially Fritz who snatches it away from Clara. Despite the nephew Christopher's attempts to protect Clara from her brother's mischievous antics, Fritz drops the Nutcracker and stabs it with his toy sword. Clara bursts into tears, but the compassionate nephew consoles her while Drosselmeier's magic repairs it. Clara and the nephew are drawn together as the party ends with a glorious dance in celebration of Christmas.

## **Scene 2**

Clara cannot sleep after the party because she is thinking about Drosselmeier's nephew and the Nutcracker. She sneaks downstairs to check up on her beloved Nutcracker to find that the room is overrun with evil, giant-sized rats. They attack her and she faints only to be awakened by the mysterious Drosselmeier. He shows her a vision of the evil Rat Queen and her rat minions who are preparing to wage war against the Nutcracker and his army of wooden toy soldiers and cookies. The Rat Queen nearly destroys the Nutcracker but with Drosselmeier's help, a courageous Clara distracts her and the Nutcracker defeats her. Because of Clara's courage and compassion for him, the Nutcracker soldier is released from the Rat Queen's spell and is transformed into a handsome prince, who reminds Clara of Drosselmeier's nephew. The grateful Nutcracker Prince invites Clara to go with him to his magical Kingdom of Sweets and Dreams. The entrance to his kingdom is hidden in the Land of the Snow Queen and King.

## **Scene 3**

Drosselmeier conjures up the Snow Queen and King. The Snow Queen and King reward Clara by placing a crown of icy jewels on her head. The Snow Queen's and Drosselmeier's magic combine to transform Clara into a beautiful young woman, who falls in love with her prince. The Snow Queen and King cleanse the evil Rat Queen's magic with a snow storm and her snowflakes lead Clara, the Prince, and Drosselmeier through the hidden time portal of the Kingdom of the Sweets and Dreams.

## **INTERMISSION**

### **Act 2**

Clara, the Nutcracker Prince, and Drosselmeier arrive in the magical Kingdom of Sweets and Dreams, where they are greeted by pages, ladies-in-waiting, princesses, and tiny Sugar Plum Fairies. Drosselmeier summons the Dew Drop Fairy. To Clara's delight, the Dew Drop Fairy gives her a magical crystal wand and transforms her into the Sugar Plum Fairy with the power to command the Kingdom of Sweets and Dreams. With the Prince and Drosselmeier at her side, Clara is able to conjure up all kinds of magical treats and dreams from different countries. Finally, Drosselmeier reminds Clara that this is all a dream, a vision, a promise of the future: A promise of all the magic, wonder, joy, and love she has to look forward to as she journeys into adulthood. But first she must go back through time and experience the real-life process of growing up. Neither Clara nor the prince want to go back because they are having so much fun together and, of course, they are in love. But in the end, Drosselmeier's magic is more powerful and the dream dissolves as he pulls them back into real time. As Clara picks up her beloved Nutcracker, she sees something sparkling like crystal at his feet.

Was it a dream?



# The Nutcracker

12/15 @ 4:30, 12/22 @ 1

12/14 @ 7, 12/22 @ 4:30

12/15 @ 1, 12/21 @ 7

**Clara**  
**Nephew/Prince**

Karissa Kralik  
Diego Sosa

Lauren Martinez  
Alexander Collen

Brenna Mazzara  
Isaac Martinez

**Drosselmyer**  
**Frau Silberhaus**

Richard Link  
Lindsey Bell

Richard Link  
Sarah Jung

Richard Link  
Hannah Hanson

**Aunt Lisa**

Madison Sweeney

Clara Molina

Erin Jenkins

**Fritz**

Ana Gisele Gooz

Benta Owino

Sarah Hoffman

**Marie**

Clarissa Marie Callis

Lauren Anderson

Clarissa Marie Callis

**Louise**

Madison Brinkley

Dylan Murphy

Madison Brinkley

**The Maid**

Destiny Billot

Catherine Welch

Caroline Anderson

**Party Moms**

Amanda Cobb  
Jenna Fritts  
Mia Koshansky/Anne May Gutcher

Alyssa Hyman  
Madeline Jones  
Marjorie O'Hearne

Karen Fleming  
Mimi Hardin/Anne May Gutcher  
Eliza Sell

**Party Dads**

Emma Lane  
Aaron Bauer  
Ryan Massey

Julia Walden  
Aaron Bauer  
Ryan Massey

Victoria Walpole-McWilliams  
Aaron Bauer  
Ryan Massey

**Party Girls**

Allen Sizemore  
Michael West Jr.  
Isabella Aletrakis

Allen Sizemore  
Michael West Jr.  
Addie Back

Allen Sizemore  
Michael West Jr.  
Kendal Fowler

**Party Boys**

Addie Back  
Ellie Goods  
Adele Kreifeldt  
Amber Sanders

Caroline Hansen  
Krystina Lilly  
Chloë Camille Myers  
Kyley Paules

Caroline Johnson  
Emery Newton  
Alyssa Nichols  
Ellie Wein

**Ballerina Doll**

Siena Atkinson

Danielle Daniel

Lara Dugdale

**Tarantola Doll**

Kennedy Devine

Theodora Horn

Lily Madison

**Russian Doll**

Lara Dugdale

Reese Poole

Mykah Parker

**The Admiral**

Theodora Horn

Anna Mildemberger

Missy Semple

**Admiral's Wife**

Lily Madison

Sam McCone

Laura Snodgrass

**Admiral's Daughter**

Julia Pellot

Emily Zarrilli

Abigail Wells

**Admiral's Son**

Cindy Case

Victoria Siracusa

Cindy Case

**Rat Queen**

Victoria Siracusa

Victoria Walpole-McWilliams

Lindsey Bell

**Rat Lieutenants**

Michael West Jr.

Michael West Jr.

Allen Sizemore

**Rat Sergeant**

Alexander Collen

Isaac Martinez

Diego Sosa

**Rats**

Rowan Treece

Alyssa Tyson

Christina Williams

Ivy Waltz

Madilynn James

Lizzie Langbein

Cassie Gebbia

Caroline Cooke

Rebekah Wear

Catherine Welch

Jenna Fritts

Mia Koshansky

Mia Koshansky

Destiny Billot

Alyssa Hyman

Christina Williams

Karen Fleming

Madeline Jones

Julia Walden

Erin Jenkins

Jenna Fritts

Danielle Daniel

Isabella Aletrakis

Danielle Daniel

Caroline Johnson

Mykah Parker

Caroline Johnson

Lily Madison

Missy Semple

Lily Madison

Kyley Paules

Laura Snodgrass

Kyley Paules

Alyssa Tyson

Abigail Wells

Alyssa Tyson

<b>Screamer Mouse</b>	Ella Cochrane	Ivy Waltz	Ella Cochrane
<b>Bossy Mouse</b>	Madilynn James	Lara Dugdale	Madilynn James
<b>Mice</b>	McKenna Collier	Siena Atkinson	McKenna Collier
	Caroline Cooke	Madison Brinkley	Caroline Cooke
	Dylan Murphy	Cassie Gebbia	Dylan Murphy
	Sarah Reedy	Lena Heiss	Sarah Reedy
	Emma Warzoha	Lizzie Langbein	Emma Warzoha
	Isabella Wear	Rebekah Wear	Isabella Wear
<b>Cookies</b>	Kazik Huettner	Ella Cochrane	Kazik Huettner
	Blair Iannuzzi-Shorts	Brynn Smith	Blair Iannuzzi-Shorts
	Maria Miller	Isabella Wear	Maria Miller
<b>Drummer</b>	Lauren Anderson	Adeline Back	Lauren Anderson
<b>Bugler</b>	Benta Owino	Emery Newton	Caroline Hansen
<b>Rifleman</b>	Krystina Lilly	Krystina Lilly	Clarissa Marie Callis
<b>Soldiers</b>	Sarah Hoffman	Kendal Fowler	Kennedy Devine
	Sam McCone	Ellie Goods	Theodora Horn
	Alyssa Nichols	Ana Gisele Gooz	Adele Kreinfeldt
	Reese Poole	Anna Mildemberger	Julia Pellot
	Eliza Sell	Amber Sanders	Eliza Sell
	Emily Zarrilli	Ellie Wein	Emily Zarrilli
<b>Snow Queen</b>	Cindy Case	Victoria Siracusa	Cindy Case
<b>Snow King</b>	Ryan Massey	Isaac Martinez	Ryan Massey
<b>Snowflakes</b>	Karen Fleming	Caroline Anderson	Destiny Billot
	Jenna Fritts	Lauren Anderson	Amanda Cobb
	Mimi Hardin	Lindsey Bell	Ellie Goods
	Alyssa Hyman	Cindy Case	Sarah Hoffman
	Erin Jenkins	Hannah Hanson	Erin Jenkins
	Sarah Jung	Sarah Hoffman	Sarah Jung
	Lauren Martinez	Madeline Jones	Mia Koshansky
	Brenna Mazzara	Karissa Kralik	Lauren Martinez
	Marjorie O'Hearne	Emma Lane	Victoria Siracusa
	Rowan Treece	Clara Molina	Julia Walden
	Julia Walden	Eliza Sell	Catherine Welch
	Victoria Walpole-McWilliams	Madison Sweeney	Christina Williams
<b>Lead Ladies in Waiting</b>	Lauren Anderson	Ellie Goods	Amber Sanders
<b>Cavaliers</b>	Ellie Wein	Amber Sanders	Ellie Wein
	Aaron Bauer	Aaron Bauer	Aaron Bauer
	Michael West Jr.	Allen Sizemore	Michael West Jr.
<b>Ladies in Waiting</b>	Adeline Back	Clarissa Marie Callis	Isabella Aletrakis
	Caroline Hansen	Adele Kreinfeldt	Ana Gisele Gooz
	Emery Newton	Alyssa Nichols	Caroline Hansen
	Benta Owino	Kyley Paules	Krystina Lilly
<b>Pages</b>	Siena Atkinson	Danielle Daniel	Siena Atkinson
	Kendal Fowler	Caroline Johnson	Kendal Fowler
	Sam McCone	Lily Madison	Sam McCone
	Victoria Walpole-McWilliams	Julia Pellot	Victoria Walpole-McWilliams
	Anna Mildemberger	Laura Snodgrass	Anna Mildemberger
	Reese Poole	Alyssa Tyson	Reese Poole
	Emily Zarrilli	Abigail Wells	Emily Zarrilli

<b>Princesses</b>	Blair Iannuzzi-Shorts Meredith Miller Brynn Smith Isabella Wear	Blair Iannuzzi-Shorts Maria Miller Meredith Miller Isabella Wear	Blair Iannuzzi-Shorts Meredith Miller Brynn Smith Isabella Wear
<b>Fairy Princesses</b>	Ella Cochrane Madilynn James Maria Miller Dylan Murphy	Madison Brinkley McKenna Collier Ivy Waltz Emma Warzoha	Ella Cochrane Madilynn James Maria Miller Dylan Murphy
<b>Cavalier</b>	Kazik Huettner	Kazik Huettner	Kazik Huettner
<b>Spanish Girl</b>	Rowan Treece	Caroline Anderson	Amanda Cobb
<b>Spanish Guy</b>	Alexander Collen	Isaac Martinez	Alexander Collen
<b>Arabian Lead</b>	Hannah Hanson	Erin Jenkins	Marjorie O'Hearne
<b>Arabian Guy</b>	Ryan Massey	Ryan Massey	Ryan Massey
<b>Arabian Sides</b>	Lauren Martinez Sarah Jung	Madeline Jones Eliza Sell	Cindy Case Karissa Kralik
<b>Chinese Lead</b>	Destiny Billot	Karen Fleming	Alyssa Hyman
<b>Chinese Sides</b>	Sarah Hoffman Emma Lane	Victoria Walpole-McWilliams Christina Williams	Madeline Jones Ellie Goods
<b>Chinese Sticks</b>	Caroline Cooke Kennedy Devine Lara Dugdale Cassie Gebbia Theodora Horn Kazik Huettner Madilynn James Mykah Parker Leah Rauda Mimi Semple	Kennedy Devine Lizzie Langbein Sam McCone Mykah Parker Reese Poole Leah Rauda Sarah Reedy Emma Warzoha Rebekah Wear Emily Zarrilli	Caroline Cooke Kennedy Devine Lara Dugdale Cassie Gebbia Theodora Horn Kazik Huettner Madilynn James Mykah Parker Leah Rauda Missy Semple
<b>Russian Lead</b>	Mimi Hardin	Michael West Jr.	Madison Sweeney
<b>Russian Sides</b>	Alyssa Hyman Madison Sweeney	Lauren Anderson Clara Molina	Mimi Hardin Catherine Welch
<b>Merliten Girl</b>	Clara Molina	Brenna Mazzara	Julia Walden
<b>Merliten Guy</b>	Isaac Martinez	Diego Sosa	Allen Sizemore
<b>Shepherdesses</b>	Caroline Anderson Karen Fleming Madeline Jones Mia Koshansky Eliza Sell Victoria Walpole-McWilliams	Destiny Billot Amanda Cobb Jenna Fritts Sarah Hoffman Marjorie O'Hearne Catherine Welch	Erin Jenkins Emma Lane Eliza Sell Rachael Spicer Rowan Treece Christina Williams
<b>Mother Tarantola</b>	Adeline Back	Emery Newton	Adeline Back
<b>Lead Tambourine Girl</b>	Madison Brinkley	Dylan Murphy	Madison Brinkley
<b>Lead Tambourine</b>	Lizzie Langbein	Cassie Gebbia	Lizzie Langbein
<b>Boy Tamburelli</b>	Lara Dugdale Lena Heiss Sarah Reedy Missy Semple Ivy Waltz Rebekah Wear	Siena Atkinson Ella Cochrane Caroline Cooke Lena Heiss Madilynn James Emma Warzoha	Lara Dugdale Lena Heiss Sarah Reedy Missy Semple Ivy Waltz Rebekah Wear

**Dew Drop Fairy  
Purple Flowers**

Lindsey Bell  
Erin Jenkins  
Julia Walden  
Caroline Anderson  
Destiny Billot  
Amanda Cobb  
Ellie Goods  
Madeline Jones  
Marjorie O'Hearne  
Madison Sweeney

**Buds**

Christina Williams  
Danielle Daniel  
Ana Gisele Gooz  
Caroline Johnson  
Adele Kreifeldt  
Krystina Lilly  
Alyssa Nichols  
Kyley Paules  
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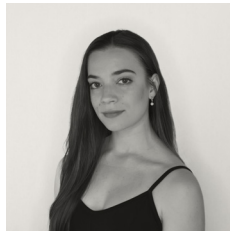
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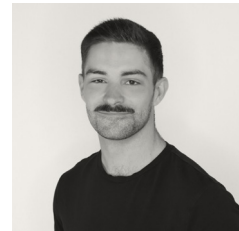
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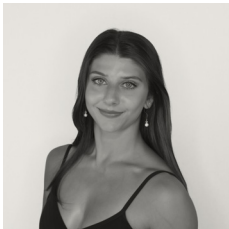
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# Soloists



Aaron Bauer



Cindy Case



Anne May Gutcher



Sarah Jung



Allen Sizemore



Michael West Jr.

# Demi-Soloists



Caroline Anderson



Amanda Cobb



Jenna Fritts



Hannah Hanson



Mimi Hardin



Cassandra Hope



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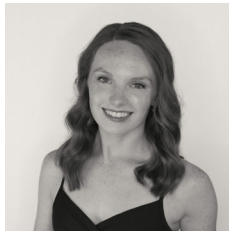
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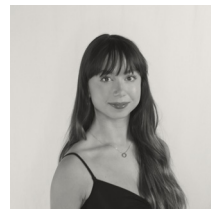


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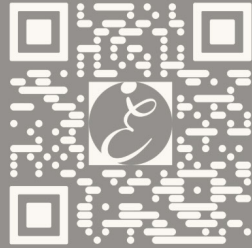
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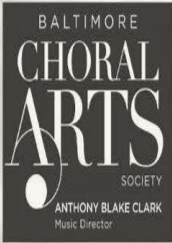
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