

TDS DANCE STUDIOS PRESENTS



THE

Nutcracker



SATURDAY, THE SECOND OF DECEMBER
SIX O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING

McAlister Auditorium
GREENVILLE, SC



Synopsis

As night falls on Christmas Eve, there is an air of excitement at the Stalbaum home. The maids are busily preparing for the party guests to arrive. Young Clara and Fritz have invited their dearest friends, as well as a young prince, who is the great nephew of a well-known toymaker and magician, Herr Drosselmeyer.

The children tumble into the Great Hall and dance merrily. The group is astounded when the young, handsome prince gifts Clara a gentle kiss on the hand. Herr Drosselmeyer offers to share some magic tricks with the group. The party guests are delighted. Herr Drosselmeyer continues to astound the group with life-size dolls that he made specifically for the enjoyment of the party attendees. Being sure that their favorite uncle has brought something even more special for them, Clara and Fritz bombard their uncle with requests to see their most spectacular gifts. Drosselmeyer reveals a stuffed rat for the young Fritz, who is not pleased. He becomes very jealous when Clara receives the most special gift of the evening, a Nutcracker doll. The crafty skills of the Nutcracker are displayed for the group. Clara is smitten with her new gift, but Fritz has other plans and tears the Nutcracker away from her. He defiantly drops the precious doll. The Nutcracker is broken. Herr Drosselmeyer fully restores the precious gift with his magic. The girls at the party comfort Clara and protect her from the rowdy boys. The party resumes until the parents enjoy a romp, Clara receives her very first dance invitation from the young prince, and the Dowager celebrates the Christmas Eve. The happy guests say goodnight.

The maids shuffle Fritz off to bed, and Clara curls up on her cozy bed to admire her magical Nutcracker. She drifts off to sleep and proceeds to have a grand dream. She hears the chimes of the grandfather clock striking midnight. She opens her eyes to a remarkable scene. The room is full of horrible gigantic mice. The mice scare Clara.

The Nutcracker is transformed and comes to Clara's defense with his battalion of steadfast soldiers. A fight ensues. The Nutcracker orders his army to open fire on the evil mice. The magnificent and heroic Nutcracker defeats the Mouse King and his pack of malevolent mice. Clara is amazed when the Nutcracker reveals that he is Prince from the party, with whom she danced and admired.

The couple are surprised by the appearance of the Christmas Tree Star that comes to lead them to Land of Sweets and the Sugarplum Fairy. They make a journey through the snow and encounter the beautiful Snow Queen. A host of heavenly angels welcome them. She and the Prince are entertained by a multitude of characters from many different countries, who dance in their honor. Clara is sure that this is the most special day of her life!

At last, they bid farewell to the Land of Sweets and the Prince magically transports Clara back to her cozy bed in the Stalbaum home. Clara awakens and holds her beloved Nutcracker doll close. She believes that this was much more than a dream.

The magic of this enchanted Christmas Eve will stay with her forever!

ACT I

Clara

Avery Eggleston

Fritz

Olivia Knox

Herr Drasselmeyer

Kollin Draper

Nutcracker Prince

Eli Mitchell

Grandmother

Connie Draper

Party Girls

Erin Powell

Suzanna Goolsby

Sofia Buitrago

Brynlee Roberts

Hannah Emerson

Kathryn Kleinlein

Isabella Moreno

Eden St. Clair

Sophie Hughes

Kailey Goolsby

Party Boys

Shiloh St. Clair

Cora Diehl

Callie Do

Sadie Jo Quinn

Adalyn Kissiah

Charli Davis

Ella Francis Edwards

Emma Bayer

Braxton Mitchell

Mason Smith

Kip Mitchell

The Lollipop Boy

Silas Mitchell

House Maids

Cadence Berry

Sophia Pishchenko

Matilynn Daniels

Savannah Richards

Eva Lyle

Party Guest

MariAustin Adiar, Berkley Richards

Shauna Mitchell, Brett Mitchell, Sarah St.Clair

Carlos Moreno, Kristie Smith, Curtis Smith

Rennah St.Clair, Gabe Spearman

China Dolls

Sierra Leine

Savannah Leine

Bella Cain

Alyssa Crowe

Soldier Dolls

Lily Walsh

Savannah Owens

Alana Cauble

Mouse King

Darcy Smith

Mouse Queen

Sydni Smith

Big Mice

Kalli Chewning

Bella Dear

Averi Parker

Ellie Hill

Abby Davis

Matilynn Johnson

Stella Morrison

Kendra O'Dare

Mice & Soldiers

Millie Anderson, Emma Bayer, Rosalia Borrelli
Lily Burton, Ellakate Cooper, Charli Davis
Cora Diehl, Callie Do, Grace Foushee
Adalyn Kissiah, Emma Mangum, Willa Meehan
Isabella Moreno, Finley Parker, Sadie Jo Quinn

Christmas Tree Star

Lily Walsh

Snow Queen

Rennah St. Clair

Snow

Cadence Berry, Madalynn Daniels
Sophie Hughes, Sofia Pishchenko
Savannah Richards, Eden St. Clair, Akia Crowe
Reece Hazel, Savannah Leine
Sydni Smith, Darcy Smith, Nessa St. Clair

Intermission

15 minutes

Act II

Cherubs

Lily Burton

Emma Mangum

Lyla Plous

Audra Schleuger

Grace McGuinn

Ava Dofelmier

Accompanied by The Heavenly Angels

Charlotte Bayer, Willow Berry, River Coker
Emily Claire Harris, Makenzie Grace Locke
Everly Morgan, Embry Orr, Julia Scarborough
Willow St. Clair, Kirklee Wiggins, Jean Carroll
Kinsley Isbell, Saylor Mitchell, Hadley Ward
Maggie Jane Mobley, Christina Turner
Paris Adair, Layla Cash, Eloise Leslie
Everly Mckeithan, Emily Mills, Lucy Moehn
Adalyn Wingo, Maya Geddie, Estella Rosas
Johnianna Gonzales, Julianna Keller
Charlotte Lugin, Curran Milk, Mecca Musa
Collins Roberts, Adeline Spires

The Last Angel

Lottie Clare Lashford

Spanish

Peyton Holcombe
Kathryn Kleinlein
Brynlee Roberts

Accompanied by:

Sofia Buitrago, Kalli Chewning, Abby Davis
Bella Dear, Hannah Emerson, Ellie Hill
Matilynn Johnson, Stella Morrison
Kendra O'Dare, Averil Parker, Ellie Vickery

Arabian

Alyssa Crowe & Bella Cain

Accompanied by:

Evi Chopenko, Evie Cuyar, Isabella Davis
Ava Dofelmier, Halen Forrester, Stella Harmon
Madelynn Pitts, Lyla Plous, Shiloh St. Clair
Maya Stauble

Russian

Hannah Emerson & Kailey Goolsby

Accompanied by:

Naomi Buffaloe, Mayseigh LeCroy
Grace McGuinn, Eden St Clair

Gingerbread and Candy Canes

Sierra Leine & Savannah Leine

Accompanied by:

Caroline Burnett, Sydney Eylerts, Zana Haney
Braxton Mitchell, Elizabeth Anne Sanders,
Mason Smith, Hadleigh Williams, Ava Beaudry
Natalia Buitrago, Kylee Cash, Leah Hughes
Gabriella Inguaggiato, Olivia Kozel
Kinsley Mauter, Clementine Mercer
Scarlett Nelson, Ellie Payne, Lennon Studer
Olivia Wiratmaja

Chinese Tea

Sophia Pishchenko & Cadence Berry

Accompanied by:

Blair Allamon, Hikayla Baker, Ellie Do
Claire Farmer, Ayla Gajewski
Emma Humphrey, Abigail Morris
Willow Rhodes, Madison Shockley, Aria Vient

Danish Shepherdesses

Darcy Smith & Sydni Smith

Accompanied by:

Tyler Crosby, Annaleece Pruitt
Audra Schleuger, Ava Sever, Kaleigh Smith
Joanna Trussell, Presley Waring

Dew Drop Fairy

Katie Hillyard

Waltz of The Flowers

Bella Cain, Amelia Chandler, Kailey Goolsby

Susanna Goolsby, Alivia Jones, Erin Powell

Harper Robinson, Madalyn Spires

Reece Barnard, Alana Cauble, Alyssa Crowe

Sierra Leine, Savannah Leine, Savannah Owens

Lily Walsh

The Sugar Plum Fairy

Aislynn St. Clair

The Sugarplum Cavalier

Samuel Hendricks

The End

Continue to Meet The Cast



Avery Eggleston starring as Clara is a 12 year old student at TDS. She is in the 7th grade at Laurens Middle School. Avery is a competitive soloist and team member of the Performing Arts Company also at TDS. Previously she has been cast as a party girl and many various roles in The Nutcracker. She is in her 6th year of dance study with TDS. When not at dance she enjoys spending time with her family and friends. Avery has truly found her passion as a dancer and we look forward to her bright dance future .

Eli Mitchell starring as the Nutcracker Prince is a 10 year old student at TDS. He has been cast prior as a party boy and a trumpet player. You can catch him working in the Upstate community serving as a Young Marine. He also enjoys riding dirt bikes and is a talented baseball pitcher. Eli is a 4th grade homeschool student and attends Upstate Church.





Olivia Knox starring as Fritz is a 9 year old student at TDS. She has been previously cast as a Mini Flower, Mouse, & Cherub. Olivia is also a competitive Performance Company Member at TDS. She attends Laurens Academy and enjoys music and being a Junior Cadette. When not at dance she loves spending time with her friends and family.

Rennah St. Clair starring as The Snow Queen began dancing at age 3 and continued until she was 10 under the instruction of her mother, Sarah St. Clair. She began studying Musical Theater at age 5, performing on multiple stages in the Upstate. Rennah loves bringing joy to people through her love of theatre and dance. She has been dancing with TDS for 6 years and is perusing a career in the performing arts.



Katie Hillyard starring as The Dew Drop Fairy is a 17 year old student at TDS. She is a competitive soloist and team member of the Performing Arts Company at TDS. She has previously been cast in 11 other roles in TDS Nutcracker performances. Katie is a senior at Laurens District 55 High School and an active member of Rabun Creek Baptist Church. She is currently employed at Cooper Motor Company in Clinton, SC as an Automotive Technician Apprentice.



Samuel Hendricks at age 16 is starring in the role of Cavalier. He has been cast as many Nutcracker roles previously and has also performed in the ballet Ghost and Arabian Nights. Outside of dance he enjoys working in theater and films including Cats, Newsies and Disney Vacation Club. In the future he plans to continue to study ballet as well as various styles of dance.



Aislynn St. Clair starring as The Sugar Plum Fairy has loved ballet since she was little. She took a year of dance training at the A.R.M.S. program with Ms. Lee in 3rd grade and then began training at TDS in Simpsonville. Her love for ballet continues to grow and she also takes Tap, Jazz and Tumbling. Aislynn's other love is Musical Theater and she has performed in many shows in the Upstate including Oliver! (Greenville Theater) Matilda in "Matilda Jr." (Mauldin Cultural Center) and most recently was Babette in "Beauty and the Beast" (World Upside Down Arts Studio). She is so honored to perform the role of the Sugar Plum Fairy in this year's Nutcracker! Thank you Ms. Connie for all your training and help on this role. I'm grateful to my parents who have encouraged me all along the way.

We hope you enjoyed tonight's performance of The Nutcracker!

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