



The Nutcracker

~A Suite of Sorts~

Sunday, November 23rd ~ 12:00pm & 5:30pm
Newman Center for the Performing Arts

Presented by Denver Academy of Ballet

Come with us to follow young Clara as she receives a Nutcracker doll as a gift. That night, she sneaks back to check on it and is swept into a magical world as the Christmas tree grows and toy soldiers come to life.

Clara helps the Nutcracker battle the Mouse Queen, breaking a spell and revealing that the Nutcracker is actually a Prince. He invites her on a journey through the Snowy Forest, where the Snow Queen and Snowflakes dance.

They travel to the Land of Sweets, ruled by the Sugar Plum Fairy, who hosts dazzling dances in Clara's honor. After a grand celebration, Clara's magical adventure fades, and she awakens left to wonder if it was all a dream.

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Clara

Sophia Magnatta

Fritz

Beckett Enos

Clara's Friends

Ballet VI

Althea Haraguchi, Alayna Owens, Elizabeth Parker,
Madeleine Riley, Natalia Smith, Autumn Tenney

Party Girls

Ballet V

Evelyn Cooper, Katelyn Lander, Remy Kasper, Alice Rodgers, Seton Stewart

Lederhosen Doll

Valeria Peña

Little Lederhosen

Clara Cooper

Soldier Doll

Ryan Cooper

Grandparents Dance

Pre Ballet

Cora Braig, Sammy Cohen, Josephine Lewis, Hattie Lincoln, Carly Morroni, Stevie Shaw

Lullaby

Tiny Tots & Ballet/Tap

Eleanor Anderson, Charlotte Hubbard, Isabelle Hutton,
Lilian Kreuter, Judah Kuykendall, Edith Lewis, Hattie Lincoln, Regan McManus,
Alberta Merpi, Maisie Miklo, Claire Mueller, Rory Munger, Leif Potts,
Riley Taylor, Lily Werking, Daisy Willis

Drosselmeyer's Dolls

Ballet II

Charlotte Boucher, Delta Fugman, Levi Kuykendall,
Charlotte Lincoln, Ava Rana, Hanna Szostak, Ava Valenzuela

Mouse Queen

Zaneta Shull

Ditzy Mouse

Abigail Woodman

Blind Mice

Evelyn Cooper, Saoirse Fitzgerald, Olivia Patel

Mice

Ballet I

Lucia Catanuto, Rory Fugman, Ivy Goldstein, Jule Howard,
Nora Hubbard, Inbie Lee, Hunter Lowe, Callie Rodemeyer, Cora Smith, Piper Watson

Ballet III

Evelyn Benedik, Lorelei Braeckel, Jade Brennan, Aspen Dmytryshyn,
Winnie Dodd, Julie Kloepfer, Zoey McManus, Charlotte Muchmore, Hadley Olson,
Kara Pearson, Everly Rowe, Adelaide Thu, Evelyn Thu, Miki Uyeda, Emilia Woodman

Soldier Captain

Alice Rodgers

Soldiers

Ballet IV

Jane Anderson, Dannica Chung, Emery Clary, Isabella Goerke,
Addyson Hirsch, Madeline Magnatta, Hayden Potts, Hannah Rainosek,
Mia Renner, Naomi Rosebush, Olivia Tribo, Taylor Young

Nutcracker Prince

Johnny Castle

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Snow Queen

Vienna Ross

Snowflakes

Tessa Brown, Layla Fox, Ramona Haraguchi, Meghna Harikrishna, Vivian Heckwolf, Caroline Lemme,
Kadence McMillan, Daria Nicks, Valeria Peña, Lily Smolarczyk, Eve Willis, Madeline Woodman

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ACT II

Sugar Plum Fairy

Brenna Boska

Cavalier

Noah Long

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Angelica

Daria Nicks

Angels

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Trumpeters

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Spanish Demis

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Chinese

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Marzipan

Ramona Haraguchi

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Alice Rodgers, Seton Stewart, Aidan Stricklin, Abigail Woodman

Russian

Vivian Heckwolf

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Bon Bons

Alayna Owens

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Dew Drop

Caroline Lemme

Petals

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Flowers

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*Noah Long is appearing through the courtesy of Ballet Memphis under the artistic direction of Steven McMahon. Born in Toronto Canada, Noah started his ballet training at Canada's National Ballet School in Toronto. He received the majority of his pre-professional training at the Goh Ballet Academy in Vancouver, British Columbia, before going on to become an apprentice and eventually a corps de ballet member with the National Ballet of Canada in Toronto. During these years, he was awarded the honor of representing the company in the international Eric Bruhn competition, promoted to second soloist, and graced the stage performing principal roles in several world renowned productions. Noteables include Crystal Pite's *Emergence*, Wayne McGregor's *Chroma*, Jerome Robbins' *Glass Pieces*, John Cranko's *Onegin*, and more. Since taking a hiatus from Ballet in 2012, Noah has guested with the *Billy Elliot* touring company, *Ghostlight Productions*, and held the position of Ballet Master with the *Port Angeles City Ballet*. Inspired by his own soul, Noah returned to Ballet in 2024 with the *Ballet Memphis* in TN.*



Johnny Castle is a rising star in the ballet world. Over the years he has trained in Colorado, Ohio, Tennessee, Utah, and is currently training with the Kansas City Ballet. He has traveled to dance the role of Nutcracker in many venues for a variety of audiences, and hopes that his performance will add to the magic of live ballet for your show.