

ACT I - The curtain opens and the Christmas party is in full swing. Drosselmeyer enters and gives his gifts to the Stahlbaum children. Clara is overjoyed when she sees that her gift is a beautiful wooden nutcracker. Clara and her sister Louisa soon begin to pester their brother Fritz and coerce him to dance with them. Soon other guests enter and begin performing. Drosselmeyer slowly opens cartoonishly large gifts, revealing life sized dolls that begin to perform. Meanwhile, Clara is proudly showing her nutcracker to her sister Louisa, when Fritz suddenly snatches it from her and throws it to the ground, breaking the toy into pieces. Their parents send them to bed and usher the remaining guests home. Later that night Clara creeps downstairs, in search of her nutcracker. Delighted, she finds the broken toy under the Christmas tree. With the nutcracker tightly in her arms, Clara falls soundly asleep under the tree. As she sleeps, Drosselmeyer quietly fixes her broken toy. Hours later, Clara wakes to the sight of giant rats entering her living room led by the Rat Queen and as if on cue and by magic, the Christmas tree starts to grow! Toy soldiers, led by her now life-sized nutcracker, march toward the rats, and a battle ensues. Frightened, Clara manages to hit the Rat Queen with a shoe and soon, the rats are defeated.

ACT II - The Nutcracker takes Clara's hand as he transforms into a handsome prince. Travelling across a snow filled landscape, they arrive at his enchanted kingdom, The Land of Sweets. In Clara's honor, Dew Drops, Angels, Spanish Chocolate, Arabian Coffee, Chinese Tea, Mother Ginger, Sugar Plum Fairy, Dance of the Reeds, Russian Dancers, and The Flowers all perform. The Sugar Plum Fairy then lead Clara and the Nutcracker Prince to Drosselmeyer's golden carriage. Clara awakes in her bed and sadly realizes that it must have all been a dream. She quickly goes to search for her broken nutcracker but instead finds it fully restored.

Van der Zwaan Dance Studio

presents



Choreographed by

Paula van der Zwaan and Santia Andrews

1) Team:

“Most Wonderful Time of the Year”

By Santia Andrews

*Maya Beeler, Elsa Boardman, Tamarind Dorado,
Chloe Farrell, Lily Frederick, Saraya Hampton,
Cameron Jan, Nadia Leunig, Chloe Quevy,
Kaiya Rodriguez, Tallulah Seuser, Lily Tabuzo,
Layla Waladi*

6) Team:

“Don’t Give Me Up” by Santia Andrews

*Juniper Dorado, Cate Flowers,
Olivia Ho-Herrera, Emma Santa Cruz,
Tallulah Seuser, Sydney Tomsick, Milana Sturtz*

The Nutcracker

Act I (in order of appearance)

Performers crossing in front of the curtain in order of crossing:

*Isabella Farrell, Milana Sturtz, Elsa Boardman,
Rose Hara, Piper Owsley, Kaiya Rodriguez,
Gianna Rodriguez, Marianna Lawrence,
Antonia Lawrence*

Drosselmeyer.....*Olivia Van Herick*

Clara.....*Violette Fortier*

Fritz.....*Sophia Carter*

Louisa.....*Chloe Quevy*

Father.....*Cate Flowers*

Mother.....*Juniper Dorado*

March: *Pear Canada, Christina Heller,
Sasha Kenney, Anya Krots, KenleyMaclear,
Emi Miyasaki, Teiya Quan, Fiona Schultz,
Anyia Wagner*

Party Performers:

Sun Hip Hop 3: *Elsa Boardman, Rose Hara,
Piper Owsley, Kaiya Rodriguez,
Gianna Rodriguez, Marianna Lawrence,
Antonia Lawrence*

Duet : *Madison Jan, Milana Sturtz*

Fri Hip Hop 3: *Sienna Baptiste, Josie Dooley,
Lily Frederick, Sophia Gonzalez, Matilda Grant,
Rose Hara, Antonia Lawrence, Cecelia Lutz,
Lucia Nakamura, Rauha Pyhälüoto,
Melina Rapoza, Gianna Rodrigue,
Kaiya Rodriguez, Paloma Rojas-Cheatham,
Esi Sackey, Flora Schork, Layla Waladi*

4 Dolls: *Isabel Handa, Sydney Tomsick,
Maggie Weible, Hannah Yip*

Nutcracker: *Saraya Hampton*

Soldiers: *Dalya Atamturk, Elsa Boardman,
Sophia Carter, Isla Marvin, Chloe Quevy,
Lily Schultz, Keira Selvaag, Lily Tabuzo,
Olivia Van Herick, River Walker*

Little mice: *Isla Fleischer, Teah Kani,
Amara Lehman, Laila Milleron, Caitlyn
Moldenhauer, Ella Park, Sophie Plonski,
Ardyn Pon, Lia Quevy, Maya Shin, Lila Soriano,
Malanya Will*

Big Mice: *Maya Beeler, Tamarind Dorado,
Tessa Lee, Nalani Rapoza, Ella Salgado,
Tallulah Seuser, Talia Skloot, Layla Waladi*

Rat Queen: *Hannah Yip*

Snow Queen: *Keira Selvaag*

Snowflakes: *Dalya Atamturk, Elsa Boardman,
Sophia Carter, Violette Fortier, Saraya Hampton,
Cara Likas, Isla Marvin, Paloma Nacamuli,
Chloe Quevy, Lily Schultz, Lily Tabuzo,
Olivia Van Herick, River Walker*

Intermission

Act II

Dew Queen: *Olivia Ho-Herrera*

Dew Drops: *Juniper Dorado, Sophie Eckber,
Isa Farrell, Cate Flowers, Cameron Jan, Madison
Jan, Isabel handa, Maya Hill, Olivia Ho Herrera,
Milana Sturtz, Kaiya Rodriguez,
Sophia Merish-Rose, Sydney Tomsick,
Maggie Weible*

Angels: *Paloma Rojas-Cheatham, Kayla Hess,
Meilin Jokela, Nadia Leunig, Melina Rapoza,
Kate Reiter, Greta Wang, Lily Frederick,
Minh Xuan Dinh*

Spanish Chocolate: *Maya Beeler,
Tamarind Dorado, Tessa Lee, Chloe Farrell,
Nalani Rapoza, Ella Salgado, Tallulah Seuser,
Talia Skloot, Layla Waladi*

Arabian Coffee: *Elsa Boardman, Sophie Eckber,
Bijou Fontaine, Jessica Heller, Maya Hill,
Olivia Ho-Herrera, Madison Jan, Sophia
Merish-Rose, Kaiya Rodriguez,
Hannah Yip, Cate Flowers, Maggie Weible*

Chinese Tea: Valeria Alonso, Ashley Paloma Cruz, Jasmin Munro-Castleton, Chloe Farrell, Lily Frederick, Sofia Ivanov, Sofia Jauregui, Anya Leunig, Camilla Reyes-Mendez, Flora Schork, Lily Selvaag, Emily Shao

Mother Ginger: Sophia Merish-Rose

Mother Gingers' Polichinelles:

Chiara Delorme, Asha Dreher, Hagar Elkin, Iona Forster, Julia Hanson, Talia Larson, Juniper Pinel

Sugarplum Fairy: Isabella Farrell

Mini Sugarplum: Chloe Farrell

Plum Sweets: Pear Canada, Christina Heller, Sasha Kenney, Anya Krots, Kenley Maclear, Emi Miyasaki, Teiya Quan, Fiona Schultz, Anya Wagner

Sugar Plum Fri Hip Hop 3: Emma Beeler, Sophie Eckber, Bijou Fontaine, Jessica Heller, Cameron Jan, Cecelia Lutz, Kaiya Rodriguez, Sophia Merish-Rose, Luna Rosen, Ava Sanger, Emma Santa cruz

Sugar Plum Cavalier: Hannah Yip

Candy Canes: Erika Billinge Kliegel,

Sabrina Jackson, Madeleine Owens, Josie Richards, Thalia Savage, Sophia Shaw-Grenham, Cassidy Sullivan, Lilah Wolfson-Hecht

Russian Dancers: Neali Aguayo, Inara Hofmann, Sienna Meyers, Riley Soto, Anastasia Yurchak

Flower Queen: Cate Flowers

Flowers: Juniper Dorado, Sophie Eckber, Isa Farrell, Cate Flowers, Cameron Jan, Madison Jan, Maya Hill, Olivia Ho Herrera, Milana Sturtz, Kaiya Rodriguez, Sophia Merish-Rose,