OREGON BALLET THEATRE

GEORGE BALANCHINE'S

THE NUTCRACKER®

Wednesday, December 20, 2023 | 2:00 PM | Keller Auditorium

BALLET IN TWO ACTS, FOUR SCENES, AND PROLOGUE
Based on E.T.A. Hoffmann's tale, *The Nutcracker and the Mouse King* (1816)

Music PYOTR ILYICH TCHAIKOVSKY

Choreography GEORGE BALANCHINE

Originally Staged By ELYSE BORNE and DARLA HOOVER

Additional Staging By SANDRA JENNINGS

Set and Costume Design PETER FARMER

Lighting Design MICHAEL MAZZOLA

Makeup Design SARA BEUKERS

Stage Manager JAMIE LYNNE SIMONS

Assistant Stage Manager BEATRICE ANTONIE MARTINO

COMPANY PREMIERE: December 11, 2003, Keller Auditorium, Portland, Oregon PREMIERE: February 2, 1954, New York City Ballet, City Center of Music and Drama, New York

The performance of *George Balanchine's The Nutcracker*[®], a Balanchine[®] Ballet, is presented by arrangement with The George Balanchine Trust[®] and has been produced in accordance with the Balanchine Style[®] and Balanchine Technique[®] service standards established by the Trust.

ACT I

Dr. Stahlbaum ISAAC LEE

Frau Stahlbaum PRIYANA ACHARYA

Their Children: Marie EMMRIE BOYCE

ritz DORIAN CARABAS

The Guests: Parents Emma Alicz, Tristan Blaquiere, Sophia Guasco,

James Johnson, Frances Mandeville, Vera-An Nguyen, Isichel Perez Rivero,

and Benjamin Strassman

Grandparents Linda Besant and Cameron Pelton

ACT I (continued)

Herr Drosselmeier BEN YOUNGSTONE

His Nephew (The Nutcracker) MATEO ESPINOZA

Columbine and Harlequin RUBY MAE LEFEBVRE AND LEIGH GOLDBERGER

Soldier GAVIN HOUNSLOW

Mouse King BENJAMIN SIMOENS

Mice Alexandre Gomes Barbosa, Tristan Blaquiere, James Johnson,

Cameron Pelton, Danger Ocampo, Isichel Perez Rivero,

Benjamin Strassman, and Phillip Wells-Benitez

Snowflakes Emma Alicz, Asia Bui, Medea Cullumbine-Robertson,

Rhoen Flanagan, Leigh Goldberger, Sophia Guasco, Madison Keesler, Madelyn Kleven, Adrienne Klimchak,

Elliana Kluherz, Ruby Mae Lefebvre, Neah Lim,

Frances Mandeville, Sophia Morgan, Vera-An Nguyen,

and Juliette Ochoa

Intermission 25 Minutes

ACT II

The Sugar Plum Fairy MATHILDE LAMBERT

The Little Princess EMMRIE BOYCE

The Little Prince MATEO ESPINOZA

Hot Chocolate LAUREN FLOWER AND BENJAMIN SIMOENS with Emma Alicz,

Tristan Blaquiere, Sophia Guasco, Isaac Lee, Ruby Mae Lefebvre, Frances Mandeville, Isichel Perez Rivero, and Benjamin Strassman

Coffee CARLY WHEATON

Tea NICHOLAS SAKAI with Isabella Chen and Naomi Elder-Morasco

Candy Cane GAVIN HOUNSLOW

Marzipan Shepherdesses KANGMI KIM with Madelyn Kleven, Elliana Kluherz, Neah Lim,

and Sophia Morgan

Mother Ginger POISON WATERS

Dew Drop JULIETTE OCHOA

Flowers LEIGH GOLDBERGER AND ZUZU METZLER with Emma Alicz,

Asia Bui, Medea Cullumbine-Robertson, Rhoen Flanagan, Sophia

Guasco, Madison Keesler, Adrienne Klimchak,

Ruby Mae Lefebvre, Frances Mandeville, Charlotte Nash,

Vera-An Nguyen, and Anastasia Poniatowski

The Sugar Plum Fairy and MATHILDE LAMBERT
Her Cavalier BAILEY SHAW