

The Nutcracker Ballet

December 4, 2021 • 7 PM December 5, 2021 • 2 PM

*A group rate is not available for the December 4th Family Condensed Series performance at 2 pm.

The cast of over 90 performers in this magnificent production comes from 13 participating dance studios, with choreography produced by 11 choreographers. This event is a collaborative community project with professional guest artists from Cincinnati Ballet.

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Standard Price	\$45	\$40	\$30	\$20
Group Price 15+	\$37	\$33	\$25	n/a

Group Pricing Includes all taxes and fees. Group Tickets are only available for purchase at the Peabody Box Office. Group prices are subject to change.

Set to the classical music of the Russian composer Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky, the story comes alive when a young girl Clara, performed by Gabriella Palmer, receives a magical Nutcracker doll on Christmas Eve from her mysterious magician godmother Frau Drosselmeyer, played by Valerie Betts. Drosselmeyer's young Apprentice, played by Kelan Halloran, befriends Clara and protects her from her naughty young brother Fritz, played by Ralph Medley, and his rowdy friends.

As she drifts asleep, in her dream a battle ensues between the army of mice led by the Mouse King, played by Aiden Ibanez, with the Mouse Queen, played by Jenna Galka, against the army of toy soldiers led by her beloved Nutcracker, played by Kelan Halloran. As Clara helps the Nutcracker to overthrow the Mouse King, a spell is broken and the Nutcracker is transformed back into a Prince who looks just like her protector Apprentice. To thank Clara for her bravery, the Prince takes her on a journey through an enchanted Snow Forest where they meet a majestic Snow Queen, played by Ariel Starling, and a Dew Drop, played by Sailor Laub.

Traveling through the swirling snowflakes, Clara and her Prince arrive to the Kingdom of Sweets. The beautiful Sugar Plum Fairy and her Cavalier greet them with sweet confections from exotic lands of Arabia, Spain, Russia, France, and China. This year's spectacular guest artists are from the Cincinnati Ballet with Melissa Gelfin De-Poli as the Sugar Plum Fairy and Rafael Quenedit Castro as the Cavalier. They will join the cast for the Saturday evening and for the Sunday matinee shows.

During the performances, the Peabody lobby will be transformed into a quaint German village. Patrons can purchase unique Nutcracker gifts from Frau Drosselmeyer's Magical Toy Shop and indulge in sweet delights from the breathtaking Kingdom of Sweets Shoppe.

Ready to make a group reservation?

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