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## NUTCRACKER Returns

ON CHRISTMAS EVE, CLARA RECEIVES A NUTCRACKER DOLL FROM HER UNCLE DROSSELMEYER AT A FESTIVE PARTY. AS THE CLOCK STRIKES MIDNIGHT, THE NUTCRACKER COMES TO LIFE AND LEADS A VICTORIOUS BATTLE AGAINST A MENACING VILLAIN.

THE NUTCRACKER TRANSFORMS INTO A HANDSOME PRINCE WHO TAKES CLARA ON A MAGICAL JOURNEY TO THE LAND OF SWEETS, RULED BY THE SUGAR PLUM FAIRY. THERE, SHE IS ENTERTAINED BY SPECTACULAR DANCES FROM AROUND THE LAND OF SWEETS.

CLARA WAKES UP ON CHRISTMAS DAY, UNSURE IF THE ENTIRE ADVENTURE WAS REALITY OR JUST A HOLIDAY DREAM...

## NUTCRACKER



SCENE 1: 'TIS THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

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SCENE 2: THE CHRISTMAS PARTY



SCENE 3: THE EPIC BATTLE



SCENE 4: THE WALTZ OF THE SNOWFLAKES



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CHECK OUT OUR BOUTIQUE IN THE LOBBY FOR TREATS & FUN SHOW GIFTS!



#### SCENE 5: THE LAND OF SWEETS

DANCE OF THE ANGELS CLARA & THE NUTCRACKER COFFEE QUEEN DANCE OF THE COTTON CANDY GINGERBREAD DANCE OF THE CANDY CANES TEA PRINCESSES CHOCOLATE PRINCESS THE NUTCRACKER PRINCE DEW DROP FAIRY & FLOWER WALTZ SUGAR PLUM PAS DE DEUX SUGAR PLUM CAVALIER SUGAR PLUM FAIRY

FINALE/CHRISTMAS DAY



#### MEET THE

## Directors



### BRI AHLERS DIRECTOR

A LIFELONG DANCER AND INSTRUCTOR, BRI BEGAN TEACHING AT 14 AFTER STARTING BALLET AT AGE 3. SHE STUDIED DANCE AND EDUCATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA, TRAINING WITH COMPANIES LIKE THE AMERICAN BALLET THEATER. WITH TEN YEARS OF EXPERIENCE TEACHING CHILDREN IN LOCAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, SHE ALSO HOLDS CERTIFICATIONS IN GROUP FITNESS AND YOGA. BRI BELIEVES DANCE AND FITNESS ARE ESSENTIAL FOR PROMOTING HEALTH, CONFIDENCE, AND OVERALL WELL-BEING.



#### MANDY BETZ ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

A DANCER SINCE AGE SIX, MANDY BETZ DEDICATED MORE THAN 15 YEARS TO BALLET, JAZZ, AND CONTEMPORARY, PERFORMING AS A LEAD SOLOIST IN MAJOR PRODUCTIONS ACROSS TUCSON. WHILE STUDYING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA, SHE BECAME A KICKBOXING INSTRUCTOR AND FOUND HER TRUE PASSION IN FITNESS & DANCE. NOW, SHE BALANCES A CAREER IN PUBLIC RELATIONS WITH HER PASSION FOR BA STUDIOS. MANDY BELIEVES THAT BEING ACTIVE IS ESSENTIAL FOR A HEALTHY, HAPPY, AND CONFIDENT LIFE.

#### MEET THE

## Instructors



VALERIE EMBERTSON

BALLET INSTRUCTOR & CHOREOGRAPHER PERFORMING: COFFEE QUEEN



ALEXA MARTINEZ

POM & HIP HOP INSTRUCTOR & CHOREOGRAPHER PERFORMING: CHRISTMAS DOLL



KAYA PYLE

BALLET & CONTEMPORARY
INSTRUCTOR &
CHOREOGRAPHER
PERFORMING:
DEW DROP FAIRY



ELLA SADOWSKI

HIP HOP, JAZZ & LYRICAL INSTRUCTOR & CHOREOGRAPHER



ALAN VINCENT
GUEST CHOREOGRAPHER
PERFORMING: SNOW KING



DACEY ABERNATHY
LITTLE BEAR, TEA CUP,
FLOWER, GINGERBREAD
& CANDY CANE



JESSE ABERNATHY
PARTY CHILD, FLOWER,
GINGERBREAD
& CANDY CANE



LILY ABERNATHY CLARA



LYZA ABERNATHY
HARLEQUIN DOLL, SOLDIER,
SNOWFLAKE, ROSE BUD,
ANGEL, COTTON CANDY
& CANDY CANE



ROSE ABERNATHY
LITTLE BEAR, TEA CUP,
FLOWER GINGERBREAD &
CANDY CANE



AALIYAH ANDERSON LITTLE BEAR, TEA CUP, FLOWER & GINGERBREAD



MOSADAE ANDERSON SOLDIER & ANGEL



GEMMA SOFÍA FISCHER ATONDO PINK CHRISTMAS PRESENT



MYLA BAKER PINK CHRISTMAS PRESENT



KASIAH BALLS FRITZY, FLOWER & CANDY CANE



**RUBY BOYDEN** PARTY CHILD, FLOWER & LITTLE BEAR, TEA CUP, CANDY CANE



CALLIE CLARKE FLOWER GINGERBREAD & CANDY CANE



CORAL CORNELIUS
LITTLE BEAR
& CANDY CANE



SCARLETT CULVER
LITTLE BEAR, TEA CUP,
FLOWER & GINGERBREAD



ROZALIN CUNNINGHAM PINK CHRISTMAS PRESENT



CASEY DARCY PINK CHRISTMAS PRESENT



ANIYAH DAWKINS LITTLE BEAR, TEA CUP, FLOWER GINGERBREAD & CANDY CANE



ALAYNAH DENNETT LITTLE BEAR, TEA CUP, FLOWER & GINGERBREAD



SOPHIE FIORE SOLDIER, SNOWFLAKE, ROSE BUD, ANGEL, COFFEE & CANDY CANE



ALINA FRASQUILLO PINK CHRISTMAS PRESENT



CAMILA GARCIA PINK CHRISTMAS PRESENT



SERENITY GODOY PINK CHRISTMAS PRESENT



HARPER GOODRICH CANDY CANE



VIOLET GOVIER
FLOWER & COTTON CANDY



MILA HAMBLIN PINK CHRISTMAS PRESENT



EMILY HAMILTON
TEA CUP
& FLOWER



MADELYN HARMAN
PARTY CHILD
& FLOWER



MADDIE KELLY-FINGER PINK CHRISTMAS PRESENT



ADELYN KLINGAMAN PINK CHRISTMAS PRESENT



ZARA LAING TEA CUP & FLOWER



SADIE MADDOX
PARTY TEEN, SOLDIER,
SNOWFLAKE, ANGEL, COFFEE,
SUGAR PLUM FAIRY



SOPHIE MADDOX
PARTY TEEN, SOLDIER,
FLOWER, ANGEL,
COFFEE & SNOW QUEEN



ROBIN MARTIN
TEA CUP & FLOWER



MACKENZIE NIEUWENHUIS FLOWER, SOLDIER & ANGEL



OLIVIA
NIEUWENHUIS
LITTLE BEAR, TEA CUP,
FLOWER, GINGERBREAD &
CANDY CANE



JASPER OLLMAN LITTLE BEAR, FLOWER GINGERBREAD & CANDY CANE



CORA PADULA PINK CHRISTMAS PRESENT



ARA PAYAN
PINK CHRISTMAS
PRESENT



ELIZABETH PRATER
PARTY CHILD, FLOWER,
GINGERBREAD & CANDY
CANE



LILIAN PRATER
LITTLE BEAR, TEA CUP,
FLOWER,
GINGERBREAD & CANDY
CANE



RYLIN REID PINK CHRISTMAS PRESENT



BRISEIS EILEEN ROMERO
PINK CHRISTMAS
PRESENT



AMIE ROSS PINK CHRISTMAS PRESENT



MABEL ROSS PINK CHRISTMAS PRESENT



KATHY SALAZAR
PARTY CHILD, SOLDIER,
ANGEL & FLOWER



MAKAELAH SILVA GINGERBREAD & LITTLE BEAR



JOURNEY SMITH COTTON CANDY & FLOWER



LYLA THOMAS
SOLDIER DOLL,
COTTON CANDY, FLOWER
& ANGEL

## Youth Dancers



EVIANNA VILLARREAL PINK CHRISTMAS PRESENT



SOPHIA WILSON SOLDIER & ANGEL



KALANI WORAJITTI PINK CHRISTMAS PRESENT

WE ARE SO PROUD OF ALL OUR YOUTH DANCERS!



**ALEJANDRA** ALVAREZ-SERRANO PARTY GUEST, FLOWER & SNOWFLAKE



SAM BEVER PARTY GUEST & COFFEE CAVALIER



**ALISHA BENSON** & SNOWFLAKE



HALEY BENSON PARTY GUEST, FLOWER PARTY GUEST, FLOWER & SNOWFLAKE



ASIA BRANHAM PARTY GUEST & FLOWER



CHRISTINA CLARKE PARTY GUEST & FLOWER



JUAN CRUZ THE VILLAIN



LAURA DESTEIGUER PARTY GUEST & SNOWFLAKE



JOE DURAZO PARTY GUEST & DEW DROP CAVALIER



**EDDIE ESCOBEDO** PARTY GUEST & NUTCRACKER PRINCE



**TORI FEARS** PARTY GUEST, FLOWER SUGAR PLUM CAVALIER & SNOWFLAKE



MALIQUE HARRY



VIVIAN HEREDIA SNOWFLAKE & TEA PRINCESS



MARIA JARAMILLO PARTY GUEST, FLOWER, PARTY GUEST & FLOWER



**HELENA JOZWIK** & SNOWFLAKE



**DONNA LAIL** PARTY GUEST, FLOWER PARTY GUEST, FLOWER & SNOWFLAKE



ARIEL LAMB PARTY GUEST & FLOWER



**BRIDGET MALONEY** PARTY GUEST



**SARAH MOUNTAIN** FLOWER, SNOWFLAKE & CLARA'S MOM



STEVE PADULA UNCLE "D" DROSSELMEYER



**ISOBEL SUHM** PARTY GUEST, FLOWER SNOWFLAKE & CHOCOLATE PRINCESS



LISA TAYLOR PARTY GUEST & FLOWER



TRECHEL VALENTIN SNOWFLAKE & TEA PRINCESS



MEREDITH VILLASENOR PARTY GUEST, FLOWER, PARTY GUEST, FLOWER, SNOWFLAKE & TEA PRINCESS

## OUR CAST: Adult Dancers



JONATHAN WIENS PARTY GUEST & FLOWER



NINA WITTMER
PARTY GUEST
& FLOWER

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★★★★★ 18 weeks ago

Best thing I've ever done for my health and happiness. BA Studios has brought so much joy and amazing people into my life. The classes are great and so welcoming but the people are even better!!! Great instructors and fast friends in other students. Everyone is sooo supportive whether you've been dancing your whole life or never danced a day there's a place for you here. Bri, her studio, staff and students gave me a place to love dance again and for that I am forever grateful (\*\*13)

★★★★ 21 hours ago **NEW** 

A beautiful, inclusive and welcoming dance studio. The very best in Tucson!

★★★★★ 21 hours ago NEW

This is the most amazing studio in Arizona! Bre is amazing, patient, and imaginative when it comes to teaching her students or putting together one of her amazing productions. Mandy is a wonderful teacher, who has amazing dance skills as well as being an amazing performer. All the students are wonderful and very helpful with the younger students. This is the premiere studio in Southern Arizona for all types of classes as well. Jazz, Ballet, Barre, Yoga, Hip-Hop and yes even special events for couples and holidays. I wouldnt want my child going anywhere else!

★★★★★ 16 weeks ago

I went looking for exercise and I found my soul instead. I forgot how much I loved dancing and Bri has created such a supportive, wonderful environment.

★★★★ 15 weeks ago

Signing up for Adult Ballet classes has been one of the best decisions I've made this year! Everyone at the studio is so welcoming and kind. Bri and Mandy have great knowledge for all levels of dance and make each class very fun! The recitals are so creative and beautiful and they make every moment of the experience incredible! BA makes ballerina dreams come true <3

★★★★★ 16 weeks ago

I felt so welcome from the very first time I attended class. Bri is a great instructor, always giving you options depending on your comfortable level. She doesn't only teach, she monitors your progress and encourages you push harder. I love coming to class, I leave feeling accomplished, stronger and ready to conquer.

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### SPECIAL SHOUT OUTS

FROM THE DIRECTOR...

#### MOM & DAD.

I CAN'T EXPRESS ENOUGH THE LOVE AND APPRECIATION I HAVE FOR YOU BOTH. THANK YOU FOR HELPING TO MAKE MY DREAMS COME TRUE.

#### MANDY.

ANOTHER NUTCRACKER! WOOHOO! WE DID IT! I'M SO EXCITED FOR OUR FUTURE WITH THE STUDIO TOGETHER. THANK YOU TO THE BEST ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (AND BESTIE) ANYONE COULD ASK FOR!

#### SAM & TOM.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE TIME AND EFFORT YOU GIVE TO THE STUDIO! THE SET PIECES AND PROPS ARE ALWAYS PHENOMENAL AND YOUR HELP WITH ALL THE LAST MINUTE SHOW SHENANIGANS IS MUCH APPRECIATED!

#### DANIELLE,

TO THE BEST STAGE MANAGER THERE HAS EVER BEEN...THANK YOU! NOT ONLY DO YOU FLY YOUR WHOLE FAMILY OUT BUT YOU HELP CREATE OUR SPECTACULAR SHOWS! THE PRODUCTIONS WOULD NOT BE A SUCCESS WITHOUT YOU!

#### NICOLE.

TO THE WOMAN WHO FOUR YEARS AGO CONSTANTLY SAID "IT'S TIME TO START YOUR OWN STUDIO"... THANK YOU! WE DID IT! I NEEDED THE PUSH! LOVE YA!

#### SHERRI & JAMES,

ONCE AGAIN YOU HAVE SHARED YOUR INCREDIBLE TALENT WITH US! YOUR PHOTOS & VIDEOS CAPTURE THE MOST IMPORTANT MOMENTS IN OUR PRODUCTIONS AND IN OUR STUDIO! I CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH! LOVE YOU LOTS!

#### ALAN, EDDIE, SAM, STEVE, JOE & MALIQUE,

I CAN'T THANK YOU GUYS ENOUGH FOR BRINGING YOUR LOVING ENERGY AND INCREDIBLE TALENTS TO THE STUDIO! WE ASK A LOT OF YOU GUYS AND YOU ALWAYS BRING YOUR BEST SMILES TO THE STAGE! THANK YOU!

#### JUAN.

THANK YOU FOR BEING SO WELCOMING TO OUR STUDIO. WE ARE SO EXCITED TO PERFORM AT FLOWING WELLS ONCE AGAIN. YOU ARE A PHENOMENAL HOST. THIS EXPERIENCE WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN THIS SPECTACULAR WITHOUT YOU! WE ARE ALSO SO EXCITED TO FINALLY HAVE YOU ON STAGE WITH US!

### SPECIAL SHOUT OUTS

FROM THE DIRECTOR...

#### DONNA.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR STEPPING IN TO HELP THIS SEMESTER WITH COSTUMES! THAT WAS NOT AN EASY TASK AND I SO APPRECIATE YOU!

#### CHRISTINA,

I CAN'T THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR TIME & ENERGY YOU PUT INTO HELPING WITH ORGANIZING THE VOLUNTEER WORK FOR THE PRODUCTION! LOVE YA LOTS!

#### THAXTON.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR VOLUNTEERING YOUR TIME TO ASSIST US WITH LIGHTING & SOUND. WITHOUT YOU, OUR PRODUCTION WOULD NOT BE SUCH A BIG SUCCESS!

#### KAYA, ELLA, VAL AND ALEXA

THANK YOU TO MY BA BABES FOR BEING THE HEART OF THE STUDIO! YOUR TALENTS AND PASSION IS WHAT MAKES OUR SHOWS SO EXCEPTIONAL! I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE WHAT YOU BRING TO THE SPRING PRODUCTION!

#### **MEREDITH**

WE'VE COME SO FAR WITH WORKING TOGETHER FROM DANCE CLASSES TO NOW MARKETING AND SOCIAL MEDIA. I HOPE YOU KNOW HOW MUCH I LOVE AND APPRECIATE YOU AND ALL YOU'VE DONE FOR THE STUDIO.

#### VIVIAN & HELENA.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING WITH COSTUME PROJECTS THIS SEMESTER! EVERYTHING LOOKS BEAUTIFUL AND I REALLY APPRECIATE ALL YOU CONTRIBUTED!

#### LAURA.

I KNOW WE ALREADY CELEBRATED BUT THANK YOU AGAIN FOR VOLUNTEERING YOUR TIME EVERY SATURDAY TO HELP WITH OUR PRECIOUS PRESCHOOL DANCERS.

#### MY LOVING HUSBAND LIAM,

TO THE LOVE OF MY LIFE, THANK YOU FOR HELPING THROUGH THIS BUSY SEMESTER. BEING MOM AND BUSINESS OWNER ISN'T POSSIBLE WITHOUT YOU. I LOVE YOU SO MUCH.

#### MY BEAUTIFUL DAUGHTER AUDREY,

AS WE GET LOST THIS WEEKEND IN SUGAR AND SNOWFLAKES REMEMBER THAT LIFE WILL THROW CHALLENGES YOU'LL GET LOST IN TOO, BUT ALWAYS BE KIND & TRUST YOUR HEART AND YOU'LL MAKE IT THROUGH ANY SNOW STORM. I LOVE YOU WITH ALL MY HEART.