

Interlochen, Michigan 110th, 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th Program of the 63rd Year

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THE NUTCRACKER

Music by Piotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Choreography by Joseph Morrissey

With the INTERLOCHEN ARTS ACADEMY ORCHESTRA and CHOIR Leslie B. Dunner, orchestra conductor W. Carter Smith, choir conductor

Costume Design by Amanda Lifvendahl Lighting Design by Nicklas Casella Set Design by Stephanie Baugher

Dance Division Faculty: Katie Dorn, Rachel James, Jurijs Safonovs Ballet Rehearsal Pianists: Steve Larson and Angelique Scully

Thursday, December 12, 2024 Friday, December 13, 2024 Saturday, December 14, 2024 Saturday, December 14, 2024 Sunday, December 15, 2024 7:30pm, Corson Auditorium 7:30pm, Corson Auditorium 2:00pm, Corson Auditorium 7:30pm, Corson Auditorium 2:00pm, Corson Auditorium

CAST (in order of first appearance)

ACT I

ACTI
Paperboy Patrick Michaels**
Ice SkatersJoey Gelman,
Kalea Hoffner,
,
Zeylia Jacobi,
Devon Hartstein (12/12, 12/14 matinee, 12/14 evening)
Lindy Sloan (12/13, 12/15),
Vincent Farrehi,
Elliot Schulz,
Aidan Skeens,
Kosta Spilkucić
Chestnut Vendor Ravi Mampara*
Toy ElephantAjaie Ells*
Toy LionStacy Davis*
Toy Clown Emerson Lecy*
Baby FritzFritz Dorn-Anders**
Baby Fritz's Parents Jesse Anders** and Katie Dorn***
Fritz Elliot Schulz
NannyLeila White
ButlerElijah Ilkay*
Herr Stahlbaum Owen Boone
Frau StahlbaumLola Pimentel-Barker
Clara Grace Allen (12/12)
Leah Hager (12/13, 12/15)
Shilo McCarthy (12/14 matinee)
Anna Vaughn (12/14 evening)
DrosselmeyerJurijs Safonovs***
Grandmother Elizabeth Xakellis*
Grandfather Jackson McDowell*
Party GuestsGus Bye*,
Julian Cole (12/12, 12/14 matinee, 12/14 evening)
Rowan Barber (12/13, 12/15),
Debesh Marquardt,
Aidan Skeens (12/12, 12/13, 12/14 evening, 12/15)
Kosta Spilkucić (12/14 matinee),
Britta Brace,
Jaiyana Frankson,
·
Taryn Kossover,
Sophie Purvis
Clara's Friends Helena Marques,
Reese Martin,
Taylor Rivenburgh,
;
Elliott Smucker

HarlequinVince	ent Farrehi (12/12, 12/13, 12/15) Aidan Skeens (12/14 matinee)
Columbine	Kosta Spilkucić (12/14 evening)
	Devon Hartstein (12/13, 12/15)
	Avery Strong (12/14 matinee)
E	lene Baratashvili (12/14 evening)
Bear	Ravi Mampara*
Mouse King	
Mice	•
	Stacy Davis*,
	Ajaie Ells*,
	Elijah Ilkay*,
	Ravi Mampara*, Jackson McDowell*
The Nutcracker Huxley Pillars-	
The Nateracker IIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIII	Julian Cole (12/13, 12/15)
	Rowan Barber (12/14 matinee)
Toy Soldiers	Owen Boone,
Vince	ent Farrehi (12/12, 12/13, 12/15)
	Julian Cole (12/14 matinee)
	Rowan Barber (12/14 evening),
	Debesh Marquardt,
	Elliot Schulz,
	Aidan Skeens,
Baby Mouse	Kosta Spilkucić
Daby Mouse	Aidan Mueller**
	Ava Mueller**
The Snow King Rowan Barb	
	Huxley Pillars-Capoccia (12/13)
	Vincent Farrehi (12/14 matinee)
The Snow Queen	Kalea Hoffner (12/12)
	Lila Jackson (12/13, 12/15)
	Joey Gelman (12/14 matinee)
	Cadence Glenzy (12/14 evening)
Snowflakes Demi-Soloists	
	Devon Hartstein,
Kalea Hoffner (12/13 12/14	Leah Hager (12/12) matinee, 12/14 evening, 12/15),
Kalea Hollilei (12/13, 12/14	Zeylia Jacobi
Icicles	Elliot Schulz.
_	Kosta Spilkucić
Snowflakes	
	Britta Brace,
	Jaiyana Frankson,

Snowflakes (continued)
ACT II
Sugar Plum Attendants Elene Baratashvili, Britta Brace, Avery Strong, Leila White
PenguinsStacy Davis*, Ajaie Ells*
Sugar Plum FairyLila Jackson (12/12) Nami Chung Vastine (12/13, 12/15) Cadence Glenzy (12/14 matinee) Leanne Chi (12/14 evening)
Prince Coqueluche Huxley Pillars-Capoccia (12/12, 12/14 evening) Julian Cole (12/13, 12/15)
Rowan Barber (12/14 matinee) Bakers Emerson Lecy*, Elijah Ilkay*,
Jackson McDowell*, Ravi Mampara* Junior Baker
Joey Gelman (12/13, 12/14 matinee, 12/14 evening) Lindy Sloan (12/15), Cadence Glenzy (12/12) Kalea Hoffner (12/13, 12/14 evening)
Lola Pimentel-Barker (12/14 matinee) Anna Vaughn (12/15) Coffee Soloists Owen Boone (12/12, 12/14 matines, 12/14 evening)
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Nami Chung Vastine (12/12, 12/14 evening) Cadence Glenzy (12/13, 12/15) Carsen Gerstell (12/14 matinee)
TeaLindy Sloan (12/12) Anna Vaughn (12/13) Kalea Hoffner (12/14 matinee) Leah Hager (12/14 evening) Joey Gelman (12/15),
Aidan Skeens (12/12, 12/14 matinee, 12/14 evening) Owen Boone (12/13, 12/15)

Cupcake Soloists
Carsen Gerstell (12/13, 12/14 evening)
Sophie Purvis (12/14 matinee)
Kalea Hoffner (12/15),
Elliot Schulz
Cupcake Demi-Soloists Jaiyana Frankson (12/12, 12/13, 12/14 evening)
Grace Allen (12/14 matinee, 12/15),
Devon Hartstein,
Shilo McCarthy (12/12)
Zeylia Jacobi (12/13, 12/14 matinee, 12/14 evening, 12/15),
Sophie Purvis (12/12, 12/13, 12/14 evening, 12/15)
Jaiyana Frankson (12/14 matinee)
Peppermint SoloistsVincent Farrehi,
Lola Pimentel-Barker (12/12, 12/14 evening)
Grace Allen (12/13)
Anna Vaughn (12/14 matinee)
Shilo McCarthy (12/15)
Peppermint Taryn Kossover,
Zeylia Jacobi (12/12)
Shilo McCarthy (12/13)
Lindy Sloan (12/14 matinee)
Grace Allen (12/14 evening)
Jaiyana Frankson (12/15),
Debesh Marquardt,
Gus Bye* Flower Cavaliers Elliot Schulz (12/12, 12/13, 12/14 evening, 12/15)
Owen Boone (12/14 matinee),
Kosta Spilkucić (12/12, 12/13, 12/14 evening, 12/15)
Aidan Skeens (12/14 matinee)
Waltz of the Flowers Elene Baratashvili,
Britta Brace,
Helena Marques,
Reese Martin,
Taylor Rivenburgh,
Elliott Smucker,
Avery Strong,
Leila White
Dewdrop Joey Gelman (12/12)
Leanne Chi (12/13, 12/15)
Leah Hager (12/14 matinee)
Lindy Sloan (12/14 evening)
Gingerbread CookiesGus Bye*,
Elijah Ilkay*,
Emerson Lecy*,
Ravi Mampara*
* Denotes IAA theatre students ** Denotes local supporting cast

THE NUTCRACKER

Synopsis after E.T.A. Hoffman's *The Nutcracker and Mouse King* and Alexandre Dumas' *The Tale of The Nutcracker*

ACT I

Scene I: Christmas Eve on a Street in Nuremberg, Germany

The paperboy finishes his last route on Christmas Eve as ice skaters practice their moves on a street in Nuremberg. Festive shoppers stroll by as a vendor happily offers warm chestnuts to everyone. Holiday cheer is in the air.

Scene II: Drosselmeyer's Toy Shop of Fantasies

Mysterious toy shop owner, Herr Drosselmeyer, tries to fix his broken dolls. Shoppers arrive buying last minute gifts as the dolls magically come to life. Things get out of control before Drosselmeyer heads to his beloved goddaughter Clara's house to celebrate Christmas Eve.

Scene III: Christmas Eve at the Stahlbaum Family Home

Dancing ensues at the Stahlbaum family Christmas party before Drosselmeyer arrives presenting his life-size Harlequin and Columbine dolls along with a dancing bear for everyone's entertainment. As the guests head to dinner, Drosselmeyer presents Clara with his gift — a Nutcracker. Clara dances with the Nutcracker until a jealous Fritz breaks it. Drosselmeyer uses his magic to repair the doll. Fritz instigates another loud interruption before the guests conclude the evening with a celebratory dance. Meanwhile, Drosselmeyer reads Clara and her friends a story that tells the tale of the Nutcracker being a handsome prince put under an evil spell by the wicked Mouse King. Bedtime approaches and the guests depart the Stahlbaum residence, leaving the nanny and butler to bid each other goodnight under the mistletoe.

Scene IV: The Battle

Fritz sneaks out to the living room to find his toy horse but is scared by Drosselmeyer magically flickering lights about. Clara enters longing to be with her beloved Nutcracker and falls asleep next to the doll. The evil Mouse King appears, encouraging his entourage of mice to frighten Clara. Drosselmeyer enters and scares the mice away before transforming the Nutcracker into a lifesize figure. He calls upon an army of toy soldiers and then makes the Christmas tree and everything around it grow. A mouse tries to attack the Nutcracker before he is shot by a soldier's cannon. A battle soon begins between the Nutcracker and his toy soldiers and the Mouse King and his mice. The Mouse King and the Nutcracker face off against each other, and just as one nearly defeats the other, Clara distracts the Mouse King by hitting him with a broom. The Nutcracker seizes the moment to slay the Mouse King from behind with his sword. The mice mourn the defeat of the Mouse King and Clara weeps over the Nutcracker, fearing he is harmed. Drosselmeyer creates a magical fog and the Nutcracker transforms into a handsome prince who displays admiration and gratitude to Clara for helping to break the Mouse King's spell. Shy at first, Clara is mesmerized by the Prince, who guides her outside to the Enchanted Snow Forest where the Snow King and Queen reign.

Scene V: The Enchanted Snow Forest

The Snow King and Queen dance amongst their snowflakes in a whirling snow-filled forest. Drosselmeyer arrives in a sleigh, offering it to Clara and the Prince so that they may be whisked away to the Palace of Sweets where the Sugar Plum Fairy and her entourage await.

-15 MINUTE INTERMISSION-

ACT II

Scene I: The Peppermint Forest

Being transported to the Palace of Sweets, Sugar Plum attendants welcome sweets and delicacies from around the world to join in celebrating the Prince's return to his kingdom. The Sugar Plum Fairy arrives and is reunited with her beloved Prince Coqueluche learning of Clara's bravery with a reenactment of the battle with the Mouse King. The Sugar Plum Fairy magically whisks everyone away to the Palace of Sweets where a variety of dances will be held in Clara's honor.

Scene II: The Palace of Sweets

The various sweets and delicacies dance for Clara and Drosselmeyer. They are, in order of appearance:

Chocolate
Coffee
Tea
Cupcakes
Peppermints
Dewdrop, Waltz of the Flowers and their Cavaliers
Gingerbread Cookies

The Prince and the Sugar Plum Fairy dance together, demonstrating their love for each other. The ceremony ends with a grand finale with everyone who has been a part of Clara's magical journey at the Palace of Sweets.

Scene III: Clara's Bedroom

Clara awakes in her bedroom as the Nutcracker remains by the window. Clara embraces her beloved doll, realizing the experience was all a wondrous and memorable dream with a touch of Drosselmeyer's magic.

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Variation Choreography of the Sugar Plum Fairy and the Prince revised after Lev Ivanov and Vasili Vainonen

-NO VISITORS BACKSTAGEPlease greet cast members in the lobby.

The usage of flash photography is strictly prohibited, as it is hazardous to the dancers.

INTERLOCHEN ARTS ACADEMY DANCE DIVISION

Grace Allen, Scarsdale, N.Y.

Elene Baratashvili, Batumi, Georgia

Rowan Barber, Hanover, Pa.

Owen Boone, Cincinnati, Ohio

Britta Brace, Driggs, Idaho

Leanne Chi, Yangmei District, Taoyuan City, Taiwan

Nami Chung Vastine, Miami, Fla.

Julian Cole, Sioux Falls, S.D.

Vincent Farrehi, Troy, Mich.

Jaiyana Frankson, Atlanta, Ga.

Joey Gelman, Denver, Colo.

Carsen Gerstell, Steamboat Springs, Colo.

Cadence Glenzy, Danville, Ind.

Leah Hager, Ladera Ranch, Calif.

Devon Hartstein, Sag Harbor, N.Y.

Kalea Hoffner, Snowmass Village, Colo.

Lila Jackson, Oak Park, Ill.

Zeylia Jacobi, Steamboat Springs, Colo.

Taryn Kossover, Northport, N.Y.

Debesh Marquardt, Kalamazoo, Mich.

Helena Marques, Occoquan, Va.

Reese Martin, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Shilo McCarthy, Montauk, N.Y.

Huxley Pillars-Capoccia, Detroit, Mich.

Lola Pimentel-Barker, Warwick, Bermuda

Sophie Purvis, Bloomington, Ind.

Taylor Rivenburgh, Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

Elliot Schulz, East Grand Rapids, Mich.

Aidan Skeens, South Bend, Ind.

Lindy Sloan, Portola Valley, Calif.

Elliott Smucker, Portage, Mich.

Kosta Spilkucić, Novi Sad, Serbia

Avery Strong, Chapel Hill, N.C.

Anna Vaughn, Evergreen, Colo.

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Paloma Chaprnka, Mich.

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Caleigh Posavac, Tenn. Ann Presley, Mich. Sufia Rahman, Texas Sydney Rosplock, Wis. Eva Lalie Sautter, Ky.

Artemis Scheiber-Loeis, N.Y.

Bridget Shene, Fla.

Mai Singh, United Kingdom

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Leila Topi, Mass. Agnes Weiss, Mich. Chase Willson, Mich. Joanna Wilson, Texas Meski Zgirdea, Texas

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VIOLIN I

Jad Ibrahim, Syria* Jeewon Lee, Conn.* Alice Song, Canada* Leo Makino, Wash.* Tessa Duncan, Canada* Phoebe Bruchman, Texas* Hadassah Ring, Mich.* William Maeda, Ill.* Aria Liu, China** Alex Workman, N.C.** Yujin Jung, Kyrgyzstan** Abby Ellis, Ill.** Helen Liu, China** Nora Zarycki, Mont.** Riley Downing, Calif.** Chloe Yan, Wash.**

VIOLIN II

Winter Wu, China*
Evan Whipple, Wyo.*
Hongrun Zhu, China*
Benjamin Chu, Taiwan*
Liliko Ueda, Hawaii*
Vincent Guo, N.J.*
Miuccia Li, China**
Greyson Mayer, Pa.**
Jasper Zou, China**
Trent Xu, Wash.**
Nicole Wang, Taiwan**
Ella Besirli, Mich.**

VIOLA

Lillianna Wodzisz, Mich.*
Lana Kim, Mich.*
Cayden Stathakos, Texas*
Christian Jones, Calif.*
Rose Skidmore, Texas**
Greyson Geisness, Fla.**
Rishi Ashwath, Fla.**
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Karl Davis, Minn.*
Morgan Miner, Ill.*
Charlotte Wildenberg,
Mont.*
Hao Dang, China*
Anni Lopez, Pa.**
Amanda Sun, Kan.**
Caleb Ryu, N.Y.**
Liam Burk, Mich.**

DOUBLE BASS

Jun Jie Wang, China* Zichen Zhang, China* Christopher Contreras, Md.** Shelcy Dilone, Mass.**

PICCOLO

Leanora Giles, Minn.* Kalista Kaiser, Ariz.**

FLUTE

Taltos Fuszfas, Fla.* Ava Gilbert, Conn.** Yunxuan Sun, China

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ENGLISH HORN

Bobby Yang, Australia

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Will Hemmelgarn, Ohio* Sofia Plawchan, Tenn.**

BASSOON

Damian Carrasco, Texas* Soren Hillesland, Calif.* Alaine Garinger, Ohio** Wyatt Larsen, Nev.**

HORN

Madelyn Atkinson, Mich. Isabella Craig, Texas Sydney Richardson, Texas Jaksen Vargas, Texas

TRUMPET

Mauricio García de Jesús, Mexico Madi Turrentine, Texas

TROMBONE

Juan Beltran, Texas Gabriel Nieman, N.Y. David Sato, Texas

TUBA

June Eickholt, Texas

PERCUSSION

Nava Gold, Ind. Joseph Rodriguez, Texas Joshuah Vogel, Ariz.

HARP

Kelly Chen, China*
Natalie Schramm, Mich.**

CELESTA

Mia Safdie, Calif.**

Orchestra Roster Notes

Strings are listed in seating order.

The remaining musicians are listed alphabetically within their section.

Musicians are playing both acts unless denoted as follows:

^{*} Denotes Act I ** Denotes Act II

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Associate Director of Presents
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Costume Cutter/Draper Eleanor Mueller
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Stitcher Karis Ayers
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Violeta Vilchis, Ill.; Cat Vintimilla, Conn.;
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