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Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 16, 1978, AT 3:00 POWER CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

The Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre's five performances this week comprise a dance residency under the Dance Touring Program, with support from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Michigan Council for the Arts.

The Nutcracker

Ballet in Two Acts

Music by Piotr Ilvitch Tchaikovsky Choreography by James Clouser Lighting design by Pat Simmons Decor by W. Oren Parker Costumes designed by Henry Heymann

ACT I

The story of "The Nutcracker" begins at a festive Christmas party given by Mayor Silberhaus. His daughter Clara feels especially grown up this Christmas for, instead of receiving a doll for a present as do the other girls, she is given her first pair of satin ballet slippers. She has often dreamt of becoming a ballerina, and her dream is encouraged by her mysterious Uncle Drosselmayer, a strange man who at first frightens and then delights the children with his mechanical dancing dolls.

The highpoint of the party is when Drosselmayer gives Clara a gift that everyone else wants, a Nutcracker, in the shape of a wooden soldier. Her younger brother Fritz is jealous and, when he and his friends snatch the Nutcracker from Clara, it drops and breaks. Clara is heartbroken, but magically Uncle Drosselmayer repairs the doll.

After the party has ended and everyone has gone to bed, Clara sneaks back into the living room to be with her new toy. There is a strange feeling in the room, the clock seems to have gotten taller, and suddenly there are huge mice menacing Clara. No sooner have they disappeared than the Christmas tree begins to grow. The Nutcracker turns into a handsome Prince and, with his wooden soldiers, engages the mice in a fierce battle. Clara is amazed that the ferocious Mouse King looks very much like her Uncle Drosselmayer. Clara joins in the fighting and saves the Nutcracker's life, but the Mouse King escapes.

The Nutcracker Prince thanks Clara for her help and invites her on a journey. Together they pass through a magical snowstorm until they reach the Kingdom of Sweets.

INTERMISSION

ACT II

Suddenly in the Kingdom of Sweets, Clara finds herself transformed into the grown-up ballerina that she has dreamt of becoming and, after everyone dances in her honor, she and her Prince dance a beautiful pas de deux.

Clara's happy dream is interrupted by the return of the Mouse King, who battles again with the Nutcracker. This time the Prince is victorious and with a flourish he cuts off the Mouse King's tail and presents it as a prize to Clara, who runs away in horror.

In a split second she is back in her nightgown, and the Kingdom of Sweets is fading away. As she waves good-bye to her Prince, she is transported back to the living room. Curling up in her chair, she remembers her Uncle Drosselmayer, who she is sure has been responsible for her wonderful adventure in Dreamland.

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Clara	Taylor Degnan
Drosselmayer	Peter Degnan
Nutcracker	Ronald Jones
Mother	Sharon Newton
Father	Gregory Glodowski
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Fritz	Geoffrey Kimbrough
Boys Act I	Michael Abbitt, Bruce Paul Michelson,
	Matthew Degnan
Girls Act I	Katherina Rumpler. Margo Scharlin.
	Nancy Glynn
Aunties	Rebecca Ross, Beth Zeldes
Widow	Annette Gadusek
Female Guests	Charlotte Richards, Amy Stoner
Male Guests	Robert Arbogast, Kristian Davis
Maids	Janice Latoszewski, Hilda Reverte
Harlequin	Matthew Degnan
Columbine	Lauren Rouse
Mice	Sherri Ale, Nancy Glynn, Margo Scharlin.
	Annette Gadusek, Charlotte Richards.
	Janice Latoszewski
Soldiers	Roberto Rodriguez, Michael Abbitt, Kristian
	Davis, Bruce Paul Michelson, Jean Paul
	Reaves, Robert Arbogast
Snow Princess	Sharon Newton
Snow Prince	Gregory Glodowski
	Janice Latoszewski, Margo Scharlin.
Snowflakes	Katherina Rumpler, Hilda Reverte,
	Nancy Glynn, Annette Gadusek, Sherri Ale,
	Charlotte Richards, Amy Stoner, Rebecca
	Ross, Beth Zeldes, Jacqueline O'Dell
Spanish	Margo Scharlin.
Chinese	Michael Abbitt
Arabian Girl	Annette Gadusek
Arabian Boy	
Shepherd Girl	Patricia Davis
Shepherd Boy	Matthew Degnan
Russians	Roberto Rodriguez. Bruce Paul Michelson.
	Geoffrey Kimbrough
Dew drops	Sharon Newton, Gregory Glodowski
Flowers	Sharon Newton, Sherri Ale, Beth Zeldes.
	Hilda Reverte, Katherina Rumpler,
	Janice Latoszewski, Nancy Glynn,
	Amy Stoner. Charlotte Richards

Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre Production Staff

E. F. West, Production Manager
Marvin L. Weitzel, Stage Manager
Thomas J. Gergerich, Technical Director
Stephen F. Petipas, Costume Shop Foreman
Janet Marie Groom, Costumer

Karl J. Kura, Wardrobe Assistant Joseph Susany, Master Carpenter William Brown, Master Electrician Mark Susany, Property Master

COMING EVENTS

JUDITH BLEGEN, Soprano January 12
MOZART'S Marriage of Figaro January 14
"PIRIN," BULGARIAN FOLK ENSEMBLE January 16
PHILIDOR TRIO January 21
PAUL TAYLOR DANCE COMPANY January 26 & 27
BARBARA NISSMAN, Pianist February 1
Moscow Philharmonic/Dmitri Kitaienko February 3
PAUL BADURA-Skoda, Pianist February 9
Les Menestrels
ANDRÉS SEGOVIA, Guitarist
Aspects of Peking Opera
FOUNDERS DAY CONCERT
NDR Symphony of Hamburg/Zdenek Macal February 28
Los Angeles Ballet March 12, 13, 14
GUARNERI STRING QUARTET
FESTIVAL OF RUSSIAN DANCE March 24
DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA/DORATI, VON ALPENHEIM March 25
FIFTH ANNUAL BENEFIT CONCERT March 30
NETHERLANDS WIND ENSEMBLE April 1
Yakshagana, South India April 9
MARILYN HORNE, Soprano
Cleveland Orchestra/Lorin Maazel April 17

Announcing: Ann Arbor May Festival, 1979

Wednesday-Saturday, April 25, 26, 27, 28, in Hill Auditorium

The PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA and UNIVERSITY CHORAL UNION

EUGENE ORMANDY and RICCARDO MUTI, Conductors

ALICIA DE LARROCHA, Pianist VICTORIA DE LOS ANGELES, Soprano

Alma Jean Smith, Soprano Zurab Sotkilava, Tenor

ALEXANDRINA MILCHEVA, Mezzo Soprano MARTTI TALVELA, Bass

Wednesday, April 25-Ormandy and de los Angeles: Bartók: Music for Strings, Percussion, and Celesta; Ravel: "Shéhérazade"; Hindemith: "Mathis der Maler"; Mozart: "Voi che sapete" from Marriage of Figaro; Rossini: "Una voce poco fa" from Barber of Seville; Wagner: "Dich teure Halle" from Tannhäuser.

Thursday, April 26-Muti: Mendelssohn: Symphony No. 3; Tchaikovsky: Symphony No. 5.

Friday, April 27-Muti and Larrocha, All-Beethoven: Symphony No. 6; Piano Concerto No. 3; Overture to Leonore No. 3.

Saturday, April 28-Ormandy, Choral Union, Soloists: Verdi: "Manzoni" Requiem.

Plus a special "Bonus" recital for series subscribers: Monday, April 23 at 8:30, Hill Auditorium ALICIA DE LARROCHA and VICTORIA DE LOS ANGELES performing music of their native Spain.

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