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BalletNova's 10th Anniversary Nutcracker Performance With Special Guests From Arlington, Fairfax and Falls Church

Falls Church, VA: BalletNova presents the 10th Anniversary of our beloved holiday ballet, *The Nutcracker* on December 5 - 8 for six performances at Thomas Jefferson Community Theater in Arlington (3501 2nd Street South, Arlington, VA 22204).

To celebrate the 10th Anniversary of our full-length production, we've invited several special guests to appear onstage during the Party Scene (exact schedule of appearances to be announced):

- Andrea Roane, Channel 9 News Anchor
- Jim Corcoran, President of the Fairfax Chamber of Commerce
- Janet Kopenhaver, Co-Chair of the Arlington Commission on the Arts
- Penny Gross, Fairfax County Supervisor for the Mason District
- Ilryong Moon, Chair of the Fairfax County School Board
- Walter Tejada, Chair of the Arlington County Board
- Mary Gavin, Sheriff of Falls Church
- Dr. Patrick Murphy, Superintendent of the Arlington County Schools
- Susan Kearney, Chair of the Falls Church School Board

Choreographed by Nancie Woods and Caroline Frankil Warren to Tchaikovsky score, BalletNova's full-length Nutcracker leads you through the magical story of Clara and her mysterious Uncle Drosselmayer (a magician who can stop time) and her adventures with giant mice, life-size dolls, faeries, beautiful Snowflakes and a lush Kingdom of the Sweets. A sophisticated 1940s Party Scene sets the tone for the **family-friendly** 1 hour and 45 minute performance (with one 15 minute intermission).

Performance Schedule:

Thursday, December 5 at 7:30 PM

Friday, December 6 at 7:30 PM

Saturday, December 7 at 1:00 PM and 5:00 PM

11:00 AM - Girl Scout "Behind the Scenes" Education Program

Sunday, December 8 at 1:00 PM and 5:00 PM

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Studio: 3443 Carlin Springs Road, Falls Church, Virginia 22041. Mailing: P.O. Box 5587, Arlington, VA 22205.

Board of Directors. Naomi Pizarro, President; Brian Gradle, Craig Stephanson, Immediate Past Presidents; Karen Lewis, Vice President; Mohit Chopra, Treasurer; Shannon MacGregor, Secretary; Kathryn Fredgren, Co-Founder; Directors: Ann-Marie Bolton; Heather Cotter; Jennifer Walcott; Carole Ann Clarke, Faculty Liaison

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Advance sale full-length performance tickets range from \$13 - \$35 with special discounts for Students under 18 and Seniors over 65.

* **Nutcracker Petite Performances.** BalletNova also presents a series of "Petite Performances" at BalletNova Center for Dance Studios (3443 Carlin Springs Road, Falls Church, VA 22031). These shorter 45-minute mini-performances include a narrative of the story, and highlights from Act II – The Kingdom of the Sweets and are especially appropriate for the 3 – 5 year old crowd. The schedule is:

- Friday, December 13 at 5:00 pm
- Saturday, December 14 at 1:00 PM and 3:00 PM

Tickets for the Petite Performances are \$15 for children under 12, and \$20 for anyone over 12. All tickets are an additional \$3 if purchased at the door; groups of 10 or more receive a 10% discount.

Tickets are available online at www.BalletNova.org, or call 703-778-3008. Tickets can also be purchased at the studio (3443 Carlin Springs Road, Falls Church, VA 22041). CAUTION: Reserve your seats early as these performances sell out quickly.

PLUS MORE NUTCRACKER EVENTS:

- ◆ **A Girl Scout Behind the Scenes Education Program** presented before the matinee performances on December 7 and 8 at 11:00 AM is geared for children 12 and under, and can be used by Girl Scouts to earn their Nutcracker patch (program is an additional fee of \$7).
- ◆ **Two Nutcracker Teas** at the Westin Arlington Gateway, 801 North Glebe Road, Arlington, VA at 11:00 AM and 2:30 PM on Sunday, December 15. Enjoy a delightful Tea, pictures with the Sugar Plum Fairy, a mini-Nutcracker performance, raffle prizes, and the chance to get autographs from your favorite Nutcracker characters. Tickets: \$58 adults; \$38/ages 4 – 12; \$18 under 4. Reserved tables available - Tables of 4 - \$250; tables of 10 - \$550. **RSVP DEADLINE: December 9.** Reservations online at www.BalletNova.org
- ◆ **Nutcracker Storytime at Barnes & Noble.** Costumed dancers read the Nutcracker to children during the Saturday morning Barnes & Noble Storytimes, followed by a mini-performance, crafts, and the chance to meet the dancers. **Free and open to the public.** Schedule is:
 - November 2, 10:30 am – 11:30 am: Barnes & Noble Tysons Corner
 - November 9, 10:00 am – 11:00 am: Barnes & Noble Seven Corners
 - November 16, 10:00 am - 11:00 am: Barnes & Noble Clarendon

CALENDAR LISTINGS

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Who: BalletNova Center for Dance
Where: Thomas Jefferson Community Theater, 125 South Old Glebe Road, Arlington, VA 22204
Tickets: Reserved seating - Adults: \$15 - \$35; Students/Seniors: \$13 - \$32. All tickets an additional \$3 at the door day of performance. Advanced purchase highly recommended.

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What: Nutcracker Petites with BalletNova

When: Friday, December 13 at 5:00 pm
Saturday, December 14 at 3:00 PM and 5:00 PM

Who: BalletNova Center for Dance
Where: 3443 Carlin Springs Road, Falls Church, VA 22041
Tickets: General seating- \$15 for children under 12, and \$20 for anyone over 12. All tickets an additional \$3 at the door day of performance. Advanced purchase highly recommended.

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What: The Nutcracker Tea with BalletNova

When: Sunday, December 15
Who: BalletNova Center for Dance
Where: Westin Arlington Gateway, 801 North Glebe Road, Arlington, VA
Tickets: Tickets: \$58 adults; \$38/ages 4 – 12; \$18 under 4. Reserved tables available- tables of 4 - \$250; tables of 10 - \$550. RSVP DEADLINE: December 9.

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What: Nutcracker Storytime at Barnes & Noble

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November 16, 10:30 am - 11:30 am: Barnes & Noble Seven Corners

Who: BalletNova Center for Dance
Tickets: FREE

BalletNova Center for Dance, founded in 1981, is dedicated to educating and mentoring dancers in a positive, nurturing environment and preserving the traditions of classical ballet through quality dance productions and education. Formerly Arlington Center for Dance/The Center Dance Company, the organization moved to a beautiful six-studio 20,800 square foot state-of-the-art facility in July 2008, and offers classes in ballet, modern, tap, jazz, and hip hop for children, teens and adult dancers. The pre-professional ballet program is recognized as one of the best in the Metro Washington DC area, and BalletNova also has an extensive Adult Dance Division with classes in several levels of Ballet, Contemporary, Tap, Jazz and Theater Dance.

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