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# 2024-25 SEASON

Last season, we celebrated Ballet West's historic legacy of 60 years. This season, experience the **80th anniversary of America's First *Nutcracker*** – a timeless classic that has defined generations. Witness **four breathtaking Utah premieres**, created by some of the world's leading choreographers. Join us for the **triumphant return of *Cinderella***, with sets and costumes from London's Royal Ballet, never before seen in Utah. Immerse yourself in a season tailor-made for symphonic enthusiasts with **Ballet West's live orchestra delivering iconic classics.**

## AT A GLANCE

***Jekyll & Hyde***  
Oct 25 – Nov 2

***Pictures at an Exhibition***  
Nov 8 – 16

***The Nutcracker***  
Dec 6 – 28

***Cinderella***  
Feb 7 – 15

**Family Classics Series: *Aladdin***  
Mar 28 – 29

***The Rite of Spring***  
Apr 4 – 12

***Works from Within***  
May 14 – 17

“It is a year of phenomenal music, showcasing what is perhaps the most vibrant and diverse programming Ballet West has ever had, featuring the brilliant work of world-renowned choreographers.”

-Adam Sklute, Artistic Director



# Jekyll & Hyde



“APPROPRIATELY NIGHTMARISH!”  
 -Broadway World

**Edgy Adult Psychological Thriller!** Based on the 19th-century story by Robert Louis Stevenson, comes Val Caniparoli’s dramatic and intense new full-length ballet telling of *Jekyll & Hyde*. Following the smash success of last year’s *Dracula*, this gripping production explores the dark side of the human psyche. Witness the dynamic portrayal of Dr. Jekyll and his evil split-personality in this horror classic.

Parental Advisory:

**ADULT CONTENT**

Recommended 15 years and older.

**Ballet West Premiere**

Choreography: Val Caniparoli

Music: Frédéric Chopin, Henryk Górecki, Wojciech Kilar, Krzysztof Penderecki, Henryk Wieniawski

Featuring the Ballet West Orchestra



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**OCT / NOV**

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# PICTURES

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## Exhibition

With **SERENADE** and **WITHIN THE GOLDEN HOUR**  
*Utah premieres by two of the world's most renowned living choreographers!* This trio of ballets features George Balanchine's heart-melting *Serenade*, Alexei Ratmansky's intimate suite of dances to Modest Mussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition*, and Tony-Award winning choreographer Christopher Wheeldon's Vivaldi-inspired *Within the Golden Hour*.

**Serenade**  
 Choreography: George Balanchine  
 Music: Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky  
 Featuring the Ballet West Orchestra

**Pictures at an Exhibition**  
 Ballet West Premiere  
 Choreography: Alexei Ratmansky  
 Music: Modest Mussorgsky  
 Piano: Dr. Vera Oussetskaia-Watanabe

**Within the Golden Hour**  
 Ballet West Premiere  
 Choreography: Christopher Wheeldon  
 Music: Ezio Bosso after Vivaldi  
 Featuring the Ballet West Orchestra

“MYSTERIOUS AND MYSTICAL!”  
 -Bachtrack, Review of Pictures at an Exhibition



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EXUBERANT  
MAGIC!

-The Utah Review

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PRESENTS WILLAM CHRISTENSEN'S

# THE NUTCRACKER

80<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

America's 1st Nutcracker Celebrates 80 Years! Ballet West's holiday classic by founder Willam Christensen remains just as fresh and joyous as its premiere in 1944. Enjoy the rare opportunity to witness an iconic masterpiece that has defined generations.

Choreography: Willam Christensen

Music: Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Featuring the Ballet West Orchestra



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# CINDERELLA

“A VISUAL DELIGHT!”  
-Tatler Magazine

Comedy, romance, and magic! Sir Frederick Ashton's world-renowned production of *Cinderella* is a lavish and extravagant telling of the classic fairytale, with comedic twists and turns FEATURING NEW SETS AND COSTUMES from London's Royal Ballet, never before seen in Utah. This production is a treat for the entire family.

Choreography: Sir Frederick Ashton  
Music: Sergei Prokofiev

Featuring the Ballet West Orchestra



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“AN ABSOLUTE MUST-SEE!”  
 —Salt Lake Tribune,  
 Review of *The Rite of Spring*”



# THE RITE OF SPRING

With *APOLLO* and *SYMPHONY OF PSALMS*

**An Evening of Stravinsky!** From the elegant purity of Balanchine’s 1928 ballet of a young God coming into his own, to the Ballet West premiere of Jiří Kylián’s emotional *Symphony of Psalms*, which takes us on a spiritual journey with a full chorus of singers and orchestra, to a primal exploration of life, death, and rebirth in the popular return of Nicolo Fonte’s *The Right of Spring*. Experience Stravinsky’s extraordinary range of evocative music that breathes life into captivating dance narratives.

**Apollo**  
 Choreography: George Balanchine  
 Music: Igor Stravinsky

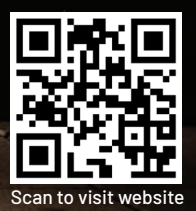
**Symphony of Psalms**  
 Ballet West Premiere  
 Choreography: Jiří Kylián  
 Music: Igor Stravinsky

**The Rite of Spring**  
 Choreography: Nicolo Fonte  
 Music: Igor Stravinsky

Featuring the Ballet West Orchestra

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FAMILY CLASSICS SERIES: PERFORMED BY BALLET WEST II &  
FREDERICK QUINNEY LAWSON BALLET WEST ACADEMY STUDENTS

# Aladdin

“A MAGICAL RIDE!”  
-The Salt Lake Tribune

Sword fights, dazzling costumes, and a dancing camel! Performed in just over an hour with narration.

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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\* The performance on March 29 at 7pm will be presented exclusively with Spanish narration.

\* La presentación de la noche de 29 marzo será narrada exclusivamente en español.

Choreography by: Pamela Robinson-Harris and Peggy Dolkas  
Music: Aram Khachaturyan and Various Artists

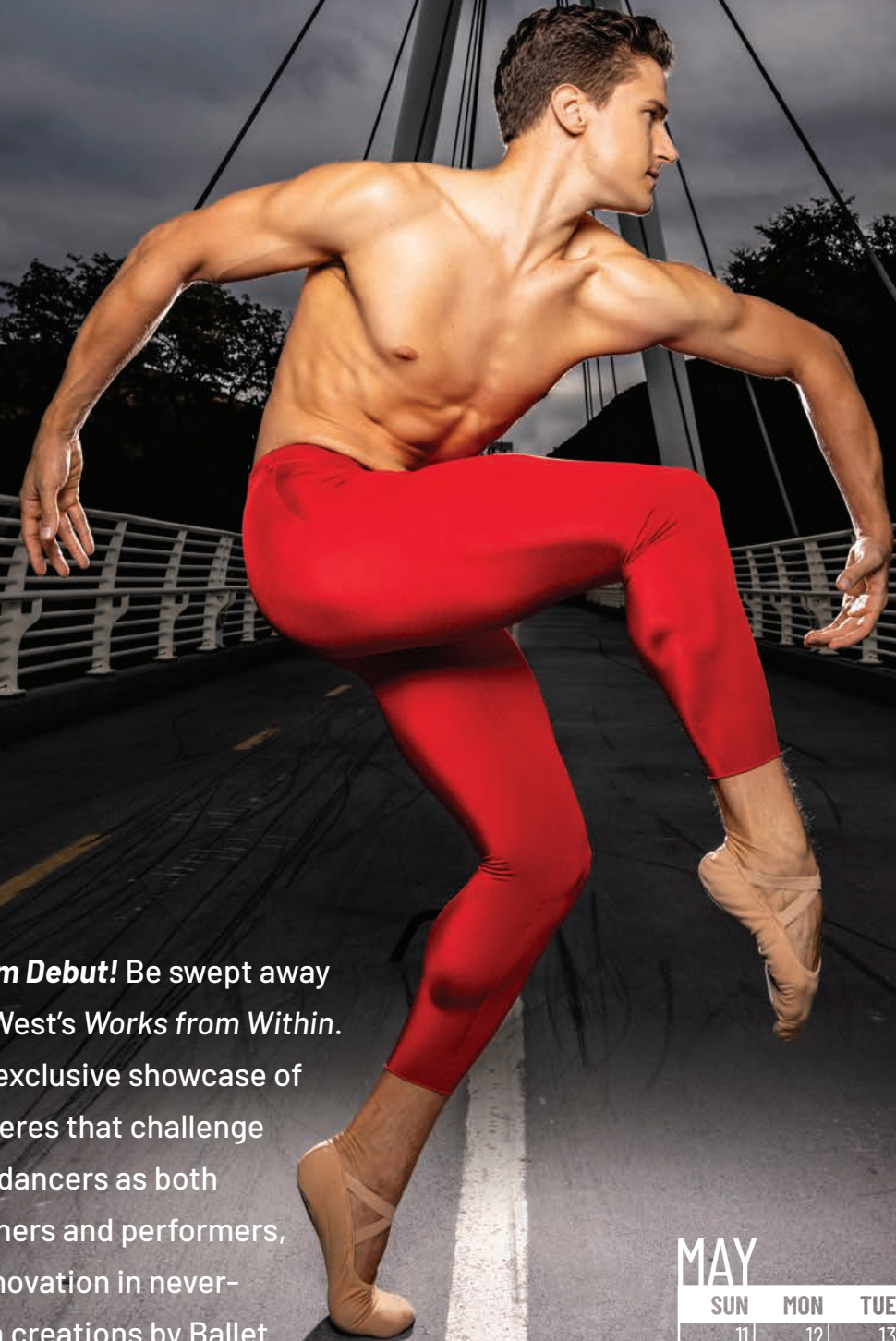


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BALLET WEST II ARTIST ANDRE MCGREGOR II & BALLET WEST ACADEMY STUDENT LUCIA FUOCO | PHOTO BY BEAU PEARSON

# WORKS FROM WITHIN



**New Program Debut!** Be swept away with Ballet West's *Works from Within*. Witness an exclusive showcase of world premieres that challenge Ballet West dancers as both choreographers and performers, unveiling innovation in never-before-seen creations by Ballet West Artists for Ballet West Artists!



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## MAY

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PRINCIPAL ARTIST JORDAN VEIT | PHOTO BY BEAU PEARSON





# LIVE MUSIC

Experience the resplendent sounds of live music with one of America's leading ballet companies! Season after season the Ballet West Orchestra, led by Music Director Jared Oaks, fills the Janet Quinney Lawson Capitol theatre with resounding musicality. Look forward to this season featuring music by Górecki, Prokofiev, Stravinsky, Tchaikovsky, and others.

“Nothing can really compare to the richness and depth of an entire orchestral performance. The music was a perfect complement to dancers.”  
-Front Row Reviewers



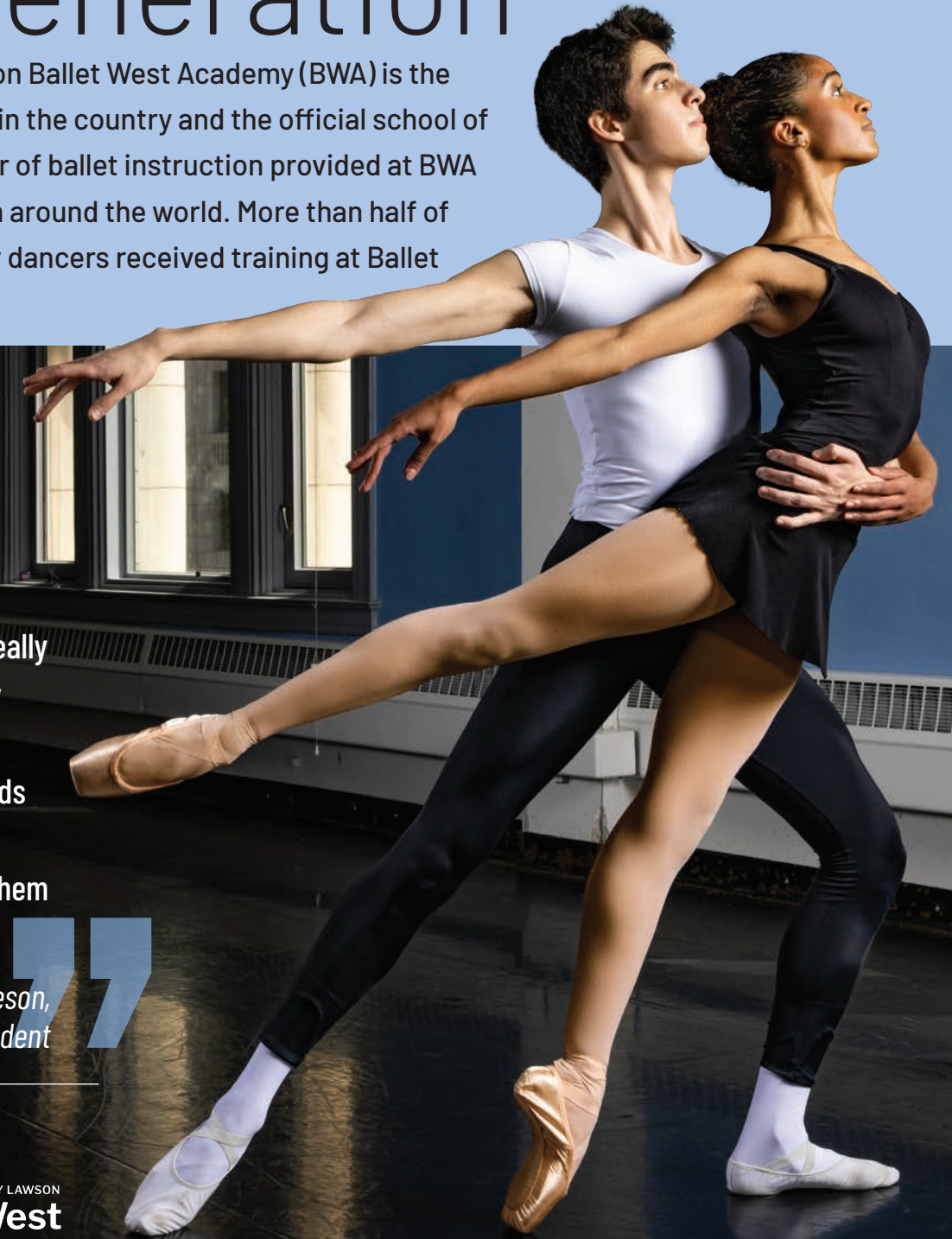
Jared Oaks,  
Music Director



Aubrey Woods,  
Concertmaster

# Transforming the Next Generation

The Fredrick Quinney Lawson Ballet West Academy (BWA) is the fourth largest ballet school in the country and the official school of Ballet West. The high caliber of ballet instruction provided at BWA entices young dancers from around the world. More than half of Ballet West's main company dancers received training at Ballet West Academy!



“One of the things we really appreciate is that they look at each individual dancer and help the kids understand what their strengths are to help them feel empowered.”  
-Amy Oakeson,  
Parent of BWA Student



BALLET WEST ACADEMY FORMER TRAINEE SOLOMAN FISHMAN & TRAINEE ZOE WILSON | PHOTO BY BEAU PEARSON

Classes available ages 3 to adult.

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Pleasant Grove, UT 84062

**Peggy Bergmann Park City Campus**  
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**AMONG THE TEN LARGEST BALLET COMPANIES**

Ballet West has an operating budget that places it among the top 10 ballet companies in America, yet serving a community with a metro area smaller than each of the top 40 professional ballet companies.



**HARDWARE CREATIVE COLLECTIVE HONOREE**

Ballet West Principal Artist Katlyn Addison was recognized as one of Hardware Creative Collective's 2023 Honorees.

**ON TOUR AT ARPINO FESTIVAL**

One of only seven dance companies from around the country presenting choreographer Gerald Arpino's works at his centennial celebration at the Auditorium Theatre in Chicago.



**FEATURED ON GOOD MORNING AMERICA**

Ballet West Corps Artist Loren Walton was featured on *Good Morning America*, sharing his journey back to ballet following a life-threatening illness.



**PROMOTION TO PRINCIPAL ARTIST**

Tyler Gum was promoted to Principal Artist for the 2023-24 season.



**NEW STUDENT HOUSING**

Ballet West Academy opened a new apartment complex, with housing for 56 trainees and pre-professional students.



**VISAS APPROVED FOR ACADEMY STUDENTS**

The Frederick Quinney Lawson Ballet West Academy received approval from the United States Student and Exchange Visitor Program to host international students.



# Ballet West's 60th Anniversary Year in Review 2023

**PRODUCTION AIRED ON KSL**

Ballet West's Family Classics Series production of *Snow White* was aired on KSL.



**BEST DANCE COMPANY**

Voted Salt Lake City Weekly's Best of Utah 2023 as Best Dance Company.



**WORLD PREMIERE OF FEVER DREAM**

Former Ballet West Demi-Soloist Joshua Whitehead's *Fever Dream* was featured as part of the *Firebird* fall program.



**PRINCESS GRACE AWARD**

Ballet West Principal Artist Emily Adams was a recipient of the Princess Grace Choreography Honoraria award, a prestigious honor given annually to a rare few in the country.

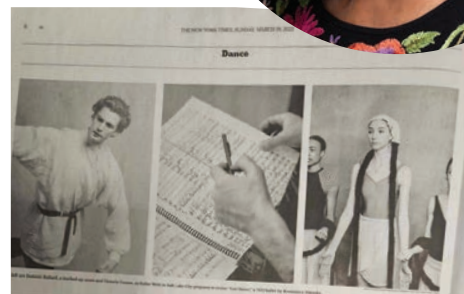
**BUSINESS WOMAN OF THE YEAR**

Evelyn Cisneros-Legate, Director of Frederick Quinney Lawson Ballet West Academy, was named one of this year's Women of the Year by *Utah Business*.



**NEW YORK TIMES RECOGNITION**

Ballet West's performance of *Les Noces*, by Bronislava Nijinska, was featured in the *New York Times* and was recognized by *Pointe Magazine* as one of the standout performances of the year, including two performances with Works & Process at the Guggenheim.



**KENNEDY CENTER SOLD-OUT PERFORMANCES**

Six invitations to the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. in the last sixteen years.



**25 YEARS OF I CAN DO**

Inspiring Children About Not Dropping Out (I CAN DO) program has been providing dance instruction for students across the Wasatch Front and throughout the state for 25 years.

**FOUR GENERATIONS OF SUBSCRIBERS**

Linda Scholl's family celebrated four generations of season subscribers, dating back to the Company's first years at the University of Utah.



**BALLET WEST ACADEMY CHAMPIONING WOMEN**

Ballet West Academy recognized by the state as one of 100 Companies Championing Women.

**61 YEARS**  
since the  
founding of  
Ballet West.



AMONG THE **10 LARGEST**  
ballet companies in the country.



MORE THAN **700** STUDENTS currently enrolled in Ballet West Academy.



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MORE THAN **800**  
STUDENT IN-THEATRE PERFORMANCES  
in the past 60 years.



MORE THAN **\$330K**  
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MORE THAN **1,000** POINTE SHOES worn every season.



MORE THAN **3 MILLION**  
STUDENTS AND ADULTS reached through community outreach programs since Ballet West started in 1963. Over 110,000 children and adults reached every year.

**100% OF UTAH SCHOOL DISTRICTS** reached through in-person and virtual learning opportunities within a three-year time period.

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# In the Community

More than **110,000** Children and Adults Reached!



During the performance, my 7-year-old smiled up at me, with tears running down her little cheeks and said, 'Mom, I'm crying because it's just so beautiful.' It's so important for these kids to have experiences with the arts. Thank you!

-Nicole T., Attendee of Special Needs Preview Performance

Ballet West for Children tour

BALLET WEST II MEMBERS LEXI MCCLLOUD & LUCA FREUDENBERG | PHOTO BY PETER CHRISTIE

Ballet West has one of the world's largest ballet-based Education and Outreach programs, reaching more than **110,000 children and adults** throughout Utah and the Intermountain Region every year.

#### EDUCATION PROGRAMS:

- ◆ Ballet West for Children
- ◆ Student In-Theatre Performances
- ◆ I CAN DO

#### COMMUNITY PROGRAMS:

- ◆ Movement Mentor
- ◆ Forward Steps
- ◆ Senior Steps



Movement Mentor Program  
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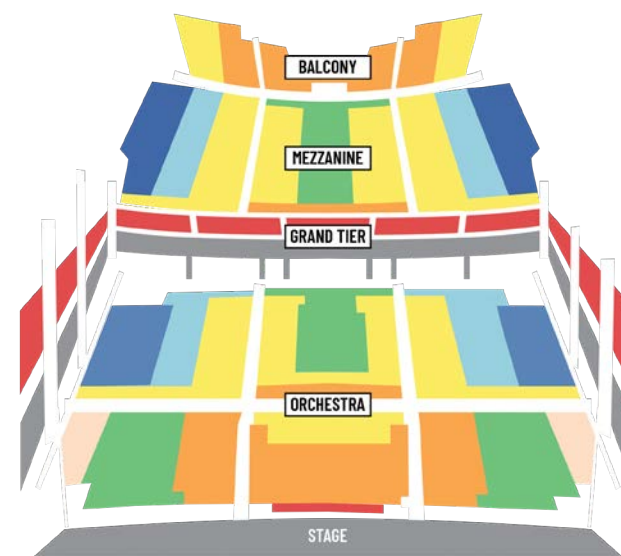
- Friday Evening  
(Opening Night)
- Saturday Matinee  
• 1st Saturday Evening
- Thursday Evening  
• 2nd Saturday Evening

## 2 PICK YOUR SECTION

	5-Ballet Package	Additional Nutcracker Tix
Grand Tier/Boxes/Premium Orchestra *	\$697	\$155
Orchestra 1/Mezzanine 1 *	\$633	\$117
Orchestra 2/Mezzanine 2/Upper Balcony	\$341	\$ 96
Orchestra 3/Mezzanine 3	\$255	\$ 82
Orchestra 4/Mezzanine 4	\$202	\$ 63
Orchestra 5/Mezzanine 5	\$156	\$ 51

Package includes:  
*Jekyll & Hyde, Pictures at an Exhibition, The Nutcracker, Cinderella, and The Rite of Spring*

\* Package price in Grand Tier, Premium Orchestra 1, or Mezzanine 1 includes the cost of a Storyteller Membership (\$200 annually per package seat).



Janet Quinney Lawson Capitol Theatre

## 3 SEASON ADD-ONS

*Works from Within* ..... All seats \$49  
Performances at the Rose Wagner Performing Arts Center

*Aladdin* ..... All seats \$30  
Performances at the Capitol Theatre  
Saturday evening performed en español (Spanish translation)

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“Man is not truly one, but truly two.”  
-Robert Louis Stevenson



PRINCIPAL ARTISTS HADRIEL DINIZ & JORDAN VEIT | PHOTO BY BEAU PEARSON

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