

Atlantic City Ballet to Perform 'The Nutcracker' At Stockton Performing Arts Center, Dec. 11-12

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Galloway, NJ - Celebrate a long-cherished tradition of wondrous holiday performances from the Atlantic City Ballet's "The Nutcracker" when it returns to the Stockton Performing Arts Center on **Friday, Dec. 11** and **Saturday, Dec. 12**.

Show time is 7 p.m. on Dec. 11, and 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. on Dec. 12. Tickets are \$32. Children's tickets are \$12 when accompanied by an adult. Tickets may be ordered online at www.stockton.edu/pac or by calling the Box Office at (609) 652-9000. The Box Office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 90 minutes before the performance. For group sales, call (609) 652-4786.

For the 33rd year the Atlantic City Ballet presents its production of "The Nutcracker." This beloved ballet tells the story of a little girl named Clara who is given a magical nutcracker doll on Christmas Eve. Embarking on a wondrous journey through the Kingdom of Snow and the Land of Sweets, Clara encounters many unforgettable and timeless characters. Young and old alike will experience the magic of this marvelous Christmas tale.

Founded in 1982, by international ballerina Phyllis Papa, the Atlantic City Ballet serves as a prime artistic resource to the residents of Atlantic City and the surrounding areas. The company is comprised of professional dancers from around the world who have earned national acclaim for their technical expertise and exuberant stage presence. Although their home base is in Historic Boardwalk Hall in Atlantic City, the Ballet has performed in theaters all along the East Coast. Their repertoire of original works includes such classics as "A Midsummer Night's Dream," "Sleeping Beauty" and "Swan Lake" but Papa is most known for her innovative works such as "Dracula," "Caught Up In The Swing" and the full-length "Carmen." Since its inception, the Atlantic City Ballet has served as one of the cultural treasures of New Jersey and continues a tradition of dance excellence for future generations of ballet audiences.

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For patrons with special needs, the **Stockton Performing Arts Center** offers wheelchair accessible seating, large type programs and listening assistive devices. Please identify any needs you may have when making a reservation.

The Stockton Performing Arts Center, the Jersey Shore's Center for the Arts, is located on the campus of Stockton University, on Vera King Farris Drive, off Jimmie Leeds Road, in Galloway Township. Just 12 miles west of Atlantic City, the center is easily accessible from the Garden State Parkway and the Atlantic City Expressway.

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