

**Miller Marley Youth Ballet**  
**presents**  
**Excerpts from Clara's Dream**  
**A Virtual Valentine's Day Presentation**

Music: The Nutcracker Suite .....Peter Ilich Tchaikovsky  
Concept and Original Choreography.....Matthew Donnell  
Additional Choreography..... Laura Branson  
Costume Designers..... Tia Browning, Elaine Beckman Lynch (Elaine Biggs)  
Miller Marley Youth Ballet, Artistic Director ..... Laura Branson  
Youth Ballet 2 and Trainee Program, Artistic Director..... Lisa Stickelman Dillinger  
Graphic Designer/Photographer..... Kevin Smith  
Videographer.....Nicole McCroskey  
Company Coordinator ..... Brian McGinness

**A special message from Miller Marley School of Dance and Voice**

This year Miller Marley celebrates its sixteenth-year anniversary of *Clara's Dream* and Miller Marley's 58<sup>th</sup> year in business. This has been a very "unique" year for everyone in the performing arts. With that being said, Miller Marley is so very excited to present our very first Virtual Valentine's Day Presentation of *Excerpts from Clara's Dream*.

Since 2005, when *Clara's Dream* first appeared on the Miller Marley stage, the ballet has become an enduring favorite and a treasured holiday tradition. The production features the artistic talents of the Miller Marley Youth Ballet, Miller Marley Youth Ballet 2, Youth Ballet 2 Trainees, and a talented cast of two special Alumni Guest Artist performers. Written and choreographed by Matthew Donnell with additional staging and choreography by our Artistic Director, Laura Branson, and exquisite costumes of original designs, by Tia Browning and Elaine Beckman Lynch (formerly known as Elaine Biggs) this unique adaptation of the classical Nutcracker follows Clara on a magical journey beginning with a glorious celebration on Christmas Eve, through the land of Snow and Kingdom of the Sweets.

A special message to our two Alumni Guest Artist performers, Jenna Freiermuth as Mother Ginger and Caleb Nugent as Snow King; Thank you, for donating your time and talents to our presentation. We love and appreciate the both of you!

Enjoy the show!

Cast A

<https://youtu.be/aNmuXkbg7Ag>

Cast B:

<https://youtu.be/WITVmOnnDpA>

## **Miller Marley Youth Ballet**

Millie Bell, Hailey Biswell, Alana Campbell, Grace Gomez, Julie Griggs, Lindsay Harris, Sophia Henke, Ella Kuffour, Lilly Malina, Jade Marsh, Elliana Moore, Alaina Moskowitz, Katie Noll, Amber Nugent, Sofia Ortiz, Emry Ouellette, Patience Peterson, Tay Schierbeck, Charlie Trent, Samantha Walker

## **Youth Ballet 2**

Cailyn Crawford, Brianna Deeble, Anne Hance, Olivia Martin, Hadley Ouellette, Aliyah Pompa, Lailah Pulley, Evey Sanders, Liz Secrest, Jillian Spacek, Isabella Williams, Ada Lillie Worthington, Kira Yancey

## **Youth Ballet 2 Trainees**

Sophia Bakarich, Sylvia Hance, Ellery Henning, Lauren Hostje, Annie Joplin, Grace Lederer, Elliot Kraus, Kinsley Oliver, Cami Prentis, Gabriella Petelin, Ellie Steinlage, Noel Smith, Grace Taylor, Ella Whitehair

## **Excerpts from Clara's Dream**

### **Cast**

#### ***The Party Scene Doll Dances***

Harlequin Doll: (Cast A) Jade Marsh (Cast B) Samantha Walker

Soldier Doll: (Cast A) Charlie Trent (Cast B) Patience Peterson

#### ***The Snow Scene***

Snow Queen and King: Amber Nugent

Snow King: Caleb Nugent\*\*

Snowflakes: (Cast A) Samantha Walker, Tay Schierbeck, Grace Gomez, Emry Ouellette, Elliana Moore, Patience Peterson, Katie Noll, Hailey Biswell, Alaina Moskowitz, Lilly Malina (Cast B) Lindsay Harris, Jade Marsh, Grace Gomez, Emry Ouellette, Sophia Henke, Julie Griggs, Millie Bell, Ella Kuffour, Charlie Trent

## ***Kingdom of the Sweets Divertissements***

### **Chocolate – The Spanish Dance**

(Cast A) Patience Peterson and Sofia Ortiz with Charlie Trent, Grace Gomez, Hailey Biswell, Elliana Moore

(Cast B) Emry Ouellette and Julie Griggs with Lilly Malina, Tay Schierbeck, Samantha Walker, Lindsay Harris

### **Coffee** – The Arabian Dance

(Cast A) Alana Campbell and Amber Nugent with Cailyn Crawford\*, Anne Hance\*, Aliyah Pompa\*, Hadley Ouellette\*

(Cast B) Elliana Moore and Millie Bell with Lailah Pulley\*, Evey Sanders\*, Jillian Spacek\*, Ada Lillie Worthington\*

### **Tea** – The Chinese Dance

(Cast A) Tay Schierbeck and Lindsay Harris with Emry Ouellette, Jade Marsh, Lilly Malina, Samantha Walker

(Cast B) Grace Gomez and Katie Noll with Hailey Biswell, Sofia Ortiz, Patience Peterson, Sophia Henke

### **Trepak** – The Russian Dance

(Cast A) Julie Griggs, Amber Nugent, Tay Schierbeck with Hailey Biswell, Brianna Deeble\*, Elliana Moore, Liz Secrest\*

(Cast B) Jade Marsh, Lindsay Harris, Tay Schierbeck with Brianna Deeble\*, Lilly Malina, Emry Ouellette, Liz Secrest\*

### **Mirlitons** – The Dance of the Reed Pipes

(Cast A) Alaina Moskowitz with Katie Noll, Millie Bell

(Cast B) Charlie Trent with Ella Kuffour, Sophia Henke

### **Gingerbread**

Mother Ginger: Jenna Freiermuth\*\*

Clara: (Cast A) Olivia Martin\* (Cast B) Isabella Williams\*

Gingerbread Kids (Youth Ballet 2 Trainees): Sylvia Hance, Ellery Henning, Lauren Hostje, Annie Joplin, Grace Lederer, Elliot Kraus, Kinsley Oliver, Cami Perentis, Gabriella Petelin, Noel Smith, Ellie Steinlage, Grace Taylor, Ella Whitehair

## **Waltz of the Flowers**

Dew Drop: (Cast A) Ella Kuffour with

Flowers: Cailyn Crawford\*, Brianna Deeble\*, Anne Hance\*, Hadley Ouellette\*, Lailah Pulley\*, Aliyah Pompa\*, Evey Sanders\*, Liz Secrest\*, Jillian Spacek\*, Isabella Williams\*, Ada Lillie Worthington\*, Samantha Walker

Dew Drop: (Cast B) Katie Noll with

Flowers: Cailyn Crawford\*, Brianna Deeble\*, Anne Hance\*, Olivia Martin\*, Hadley Ouellette\*, Lailah Pulley\*, Aliyah Pompa\*, Evey Sanders\*, Liz Secrest\*, Jillian Spacek\*, Ada Lillie Worthington\*, Samantha Walker

**Sugar Plum Fairy:** (Cast A) Sophia Henke (Cast B) Alaina Moskowitz

**Closing Waltz - Grand Finale:** The Kingdom of the Sweets (Cast A & Cast B)

\*Denotes Youth Ballet 2 member

\*\*Denotes Alumni Guest Artist

**The End**

*Happy Valentine's Day*

*from Miller Marley School of Dance and Voice*

*and the Miller Marley Youth Ballet*