



#### FROM THE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR...

Prima Classical Coaching is excited to present our second annual spring production, The Sleeping Beauty. This ballet is considered one of the world's most popular ballets!

Generations have fallen in love with this enchanting ballet adapted from the 1697 Charles Perrault tale, "The Sleeping Beauty in the Wood." Featuring exquisite music by Tchaikovkshy, gorgeous costumes, and choreography based on the renowned work of Marius Petipa, this ballet is sure to leave you feeling captivated.

We hope you will enjoy it!



# ABOUT THE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR...

Jacqueline McDaniel fell in love with ballet at the age of seven. She began training at Ballet Iowa, a Vaganova-based school and company directed by former Bolshoi Ballet dancer Konstantin Uralsky. While attending a summer intensive at the Kirov Academy of Ballet in Washington, D.C., Jacqueline was invited to attend the pre-professional program under Ludmila Morkovina, a graduate and professor of the Vaganova Ballet Academy.

Upon graduation, she danced with Omaha Theater Ballet and as a guest performer for Centra onl Dance Theater and lowa Dance Theater. Jacqueline decided to put my dancing career on hold to attend college. She relocated to Chicago where she received a degree in Marketing with an Art minor from Roosevelt University. While attending college, she began teaching ballet, pointe, and creative movement at several Chicago-land studios. After college graduation, Jacqueline realized how much she missed dancing. So, she decided to return to the stage. Jacqueline went on to dance with: Schaumburg Dance Ensemble, Omaha Ballet Theater, Ballet Theater of Maryland, Metropolitan Ballet, Cities Classical Dance Ensemble, and Saint Paul Ballet.

In September of 2020, Jacqueline McDaniel became the owner and artistic director of Prima Classical Coaching. PCC originated by holding small group classes and workshops in a rented space in Bloomington, MN. The program developed quickly into a full-time training program. Seeing that there was a demand for a classical ballet program that offers safe and encouraging dance education, Jacqueline decided to open her own studio in July of 2021. PCC's specialized curriculum is based on the Vaganova method that Jacqueline holds near and dear while drawing on multiple styles and techniques to provide a well-rounded dance education.

### SPECIAL RECOGNITION

#### COSTUM/SET CONSTRUCTION AND RENTAL:

Kristin and Peter, Thank you for your continued support and dedication behind the scenes. You have put in countless hours to support Prima in numerous capacities. I am overwhelmed by your generosity and my family is forever grateful for your contributions to Prima. The last two years have been a remarkable journey and I am thankful that you have come along for the ride. I cannot wait to see your stunning costumes in action. It has been amazing to see the vision for this production come to fruition. I know it was no small project and I am grateful you were willing to take it on. Now sit back and enjoy the show. Time to watch three of your talented kids in action!

### **VOLUNTEERS:**

Thank you to our many volunteers. This production would not be possible without you. Prima has grown a significant amount in the last year and we are thankful for everyone's contributions. Whether big or small, every contribution makes a big impact. Thank you for being a part of the Prima Family.

#### [AMILY:

Kyle and Nadya, it is hard to believe another year has gone by! I am so blessed to have you both as my family. The last couple of years have been challenging, and I appreciate the sacrifices you both have had to make. I will never forget seeing you both on stage during Prima's first Nutcracker Production, working with Kyle backstage, and getting to watch Nadya from the wings. Thank you for being part of this production. I look forward to some much needed family time this summer with both of you!



# The Sleeping Beauty

Saturday, June 3, 2023, 2 pm | Masonic Heritage Center Saturday, June 3, 2023, 6 pm | Masonic Heritage Center

#### Produced by

Prima Classical Coaching Jacqueline McDaniel, Artistic Director Ted Sothern, Rehearsal Assistant

#### Choreography based on

Marius Petipa

#### Adaptations choreographed by

Jacqueline McDaniel Ted Sothern Sophie Rossmiller

Music by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Costumes by Kristin Busselberg

Back Stage Managed by Sophie Rossmiller

# PRIMA CONSERVATORY

#### **Conservatory Trainees**

Madeline Jensen, Yumika Nilan, Gianna Schmidt, Josephine Showalter, Klara Simon

#### **Conservatory Apprentices**

Auburn Busselberg, Julia Farah, Gabby Mackey, Isabella Nybeck, Adalyn Ryan

#### **Conservatory Company Members**

Aashna Boolchandani, Marin Busselberg, Owen Busselberg, Grace Carey, Lydia Gore, Joe Howland,
Maisy James, Britta Rekstad, Tennyson Schermer, Elise Wentzell

# THE HISTORY OF THE SLEEPING BEAUTY

The Sleeping Beauty, premiered at the Mariinksy Theatre in St. Petersberg, Russia on January 15, 1890. The music was composed by Tchaikovsky, and the original dances were created by Marius Petipa. The premiere was met with favorable critiques, however, is was not a success at first. After Tchaikovksy's death in 1893, the ballet grew in popularity and would be performed over 200 times over the next 10 years, Today it is one of the most performed ballets worldwide.

# THE STORY OF THE SLEEPING BEAUTY

# PROLOGUE

In a faraway kingdom, the King and Queen have a newborn baby, Aurora. A grand celebration is thrown for her Christening and the Good Fairies have been invited to bestow their gifts upon her. The Lilac Fairy is the last one but before she can give her gift, the Fairy of Darkness, Carabosse, appears in a fury because she had not received an invitation to the celebration. She brought a curse for Aurora that one day she will prick her finger on a spindle and die. The Lilac Fairy cannot remove the curse but she softens it so that instead of dying, Aurora will fall into a deep sleep for 100 years. After 100 years, she will be awakened by true love's kiss!

## ACTI

Sixteen years later, the country has gathered to celebrate Aurora's 16th birthday! She is approached by three suitors from far away lands. In the midst of the joyous chaos, an old woman approaches Aurora with a bouquet of flowers. Aurora is delighted by the object and begins to dance with it but accidentally pricks her finger. She is plunged into a deep sleep and the Lilac Fairy returns to cast a spell of sleep over the entire kingdom and causes a great forest to grow around the castle.

## INTERMISSION

Enjoy our gift shop during the 15-minute Intermission!

# ACT II

One hundred years later, Prince Desiré is hunting in the forest with members of his court. A stag is sighted, and the rest of the court dashes off on the hunt. However, Prince Desiré stays behind dreaming of love. The Woodland Fairy causes Prince Desiré to see a vision of Aurora. He asks the Woodland Fairy to take him to Aurora and she leads him through the forest. When they arrive at the doors to the castle garden Prince Desiré awakens Aurora with a kiss. The spell is broken and they fall in love!

# ACT III

The awakened kingdom gathers to celebrate the marriage of Aurora and Prince Désiré! As part of the celebration, many fairytale characters arrive to present their stories as gifts to the newlyweds such as Blue Birds, Cinderella, Little Red Riding, Puss-In Boots, and Belle and Gastons! Once all of the guests have danced, Aurora and Prince Désiré perform their own dances for the wedding quests. All of the guests join in the dancing and the whole kingdom rejoices!

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

ARTISTIC

Artistic Director: Jacqueline McDaniel Rehearsal Assistant: Ted Sothern

Instructors: Jacqueline McDaniel, Ted Sothern, Joanna Mednick, Sophie Rossmiller

Administrative Assistant: Sophie Rossmiller

PRODUCTION

Costume Design: Jan Battles, Marin Busselberg, Peter Busselberg, Pamela Eklof, Carina Jensen,

Shannon Mackey, Natalie Crego

Costume Crew: Jenny Andreasson, Aliyah Busselberg, Laird Busselberg, Christine Jewell, Sakiko Nilan, Yumika Nilan, Jessica O'Brien, Sarah Showalter, Mayuko Simon, Sophie Rossmiller, Natalie Wadell

Costume Assistants: Chizurur Sunoharn, Eri Takino, Peyton Jewell, Maddie Jensen, Emily Jensen, Evy Andreasson, Emrie Eklof, Jon Eklof, Odin Eklof, Josie Showalter, Auburn Busselberg, Gabby Mackey, Cara Halvorson, Lillianna Aguilera, Nora Arteaga Torres

Fitting Crew: Pamela Eklof, Finley Johnson, Carina Jensen, Christine Jewell, Isabella Nybeck, Sarah Showalter, Anna Wood

Prop Design and Production: Melinda Anderson, Auburn Busselberg, Pamela Eklof, Marina Levine, Jessica O'Brien, Rebecca Ramirez, Sophie Rossmiller, Carolyn Schumacher, Josie Showalter, Sarah Showalter, Adalyn Ryan

Staging Sponsor: Sarah Showalter with Fazendin Realtors

MEDIA

Photography: Peter Busselberg

Cinematography/Videography: Alex Battles

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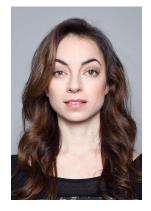
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# **FACULTY**



## TED SOTHERN- INSTRUCTOR/ REHEARSAL ASSISTANT

Ted trained with Frank Bourman and started his dance career with Loyce Houlton's Minnesota Dance Theater. He left Minnesota and went on to a career in classical ballet, most notably with Washington Ballet, North Carolina Dance Theater and American Repertory Ballet. While performing with Ballets Grandiva he had the opportunity to tour Japan, performing comedic and classic ballet works. Since moving back to Minnesota he performed with Ballet MN, MN Dance Theater, Ballet of the Dolls, Continental Ballet, Twin Cities Ballet of MN and a variety of local choreographers. At St. Paul City Ballet, he danced and was also an Artistic Partner for 10 yrs, producing many full-length ballets. It was at SPCB that he met and danced with Miss Jacqueline. He was AD of Rochester Dance Co. for 8 years and AD of Hopkins Youth Ballet at Hopkins Dance Co, where he also taught ballet for 12 years.



## JOANNA MEDNICK - INSTRUCTOR

Joanna Mednick was born in San Francisco, California, and trained at City Ballet School, San Francisco, California, under the direction of Damara Bennett. During her sophomore year in high school, Joanna was a Coca-Cola scholarship recipient at the American Ballet Theater School in New York City. After her training at City Ballet School, Joanna joined the San Francisco Ballet in 2000 as an apprentice and was promoted to Corps de Ballet in 2001. After seven years at the San Francisco Ballet, Joanna joined the Corps de Ballet at the Dutch National Ballet in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. Shortly after joining Dutch National Ballet, she was promoted to Coryphee and then again to Grand Sujet. After 10 years of dancing with the Dutch National Ballet, Joanna retired from her professional career in 2017. Joanna has worked with the top ballet choreographers from around the world and is excited to share her diverse knowledge in Ballet with aspiring young dancers.



### SOPHIE ROSSMILLER - INSTRUCTOR & ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Sophie Rossmiller is a versatile dancer who was born and raised in Saint Paul, Minnesota. She began studying ballet at St. Paul Ballet, where she studied for 7 years, and has continued to expand her technical and creative fluency in other dance styles since then. These styles include modern, tap, jazz, contemporary, hip hop, and exposure to historical dance forms. Her passion for dance combined with her interest in movement and the human body inspired her to pursue a dual-major Bachelor of Arts from Hope College in Exercise Science and Dance. While at Hope, Sophie had the opportunity to work with choreographers such as Sharon Wong, Heather Cornell, Matthew Farmer, Tracy Dunbar, and Jasmine Meija. Additionally, Sophie has furthered her development as an artist by attending various summer programs and spending a semester abroad at the Centre de Danse du Marais in Paris, France.

# GUEST ARTIST



#### PFTFR SNYDFR - ROSF ADAGTO

Peter has been a student of ballet since 2011 when he started at Fine Arts of Ballet in Mankato. He studied ballet, tap, jazz, and modern there until he graduated in 2020. In the same year, he accepted a position at Dance Express Mankato as a ballet instructor. While attending Gustavus Adolphus College, Peter took ballet classes at Ballet Royale Minnesota until 2022 when he was offered a contract with Twin Cities Ballet company as an apprentice. Having completed his first season with TCB, he is excited to be a part of the production with the talented people of Prima Classical Coaching. Special thanks goes out to Ted Sothern for giving the wonderful opportunity to be a guest artist for this production.

# Sleeping Beauty Cast

Princess Aurora Tennyson Schermer Act I - The Spell

Owen Busselberg

**Prince Desire** 

**Fairies** 

**Bats** 

**Enchanted Garden Fairy** 

Fairy of Songbird

Understudy: Maisy James Garland Waltz Corps Evelyn Anderson

Emrie Eklof Zuzu Marka

The Queen Britta Rekstad Nadya McDaniel Sabinna Miller

Yumika Nilan

The KingTed SothernOlivia RyanGiselle Sather

Prologue Klara Simon
Lilac Fairy Aashna Boolchandani Eleanor Theobald

Understudy: Lydia Gore

Garland DancersSuki Ortega-CregoLilac AttendantsAuburn Busselberg (2 pm)Finley Johnson

Julia FarahRoya KebraieiGabby Mackey (6 pm)Sarah Levine

Isabella Nybeck Paisley Ryan
Adalyn Ryan Harriet Schumach

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Crystal Fountain Fairy Garland Corps Auburn Busselberg

Grace Carey (2 pm)

Marin Busselberg (6 pm)

Maddie Jensen
Peyton Jewell

Maisy James Gabby Mackey
Fairy of the Woodland Glades Isabella Nybeck
Lydia Gore Adalyn Ryan

Josephine Showalter

Gabby Mackey (2 pm)

Auburn Busselberg (6 pm) **Partnering Ladies** Grace Carey Fairy of the Golden Vines Lydia Gore

Elise Wentzell

Maisy James

Elise Wentzell

Partnering Men

Carabosse Marin Busselberg

Nadya McDaniel

Ravens Auburn Busselberg Joe Howland

Finley Johnson Understudy: Reyli Ortega Gabby Mackey

Josephine Showalter Rose Adagio Tennyson Schermer

Evelyn Anderson Joe Howland
Genevieve Angel Peter Snyder

Emrie Eklof Understudy: Reyli Ortega

Lucia Ramirez-Vargas Aurora's Friends Auburn Busselberg

Giselle Sather

Natalia Schmidt

Eleanor Theobald

Zuzu Marka

Julia Farah

Peyton Jewell

Gabby Mackey

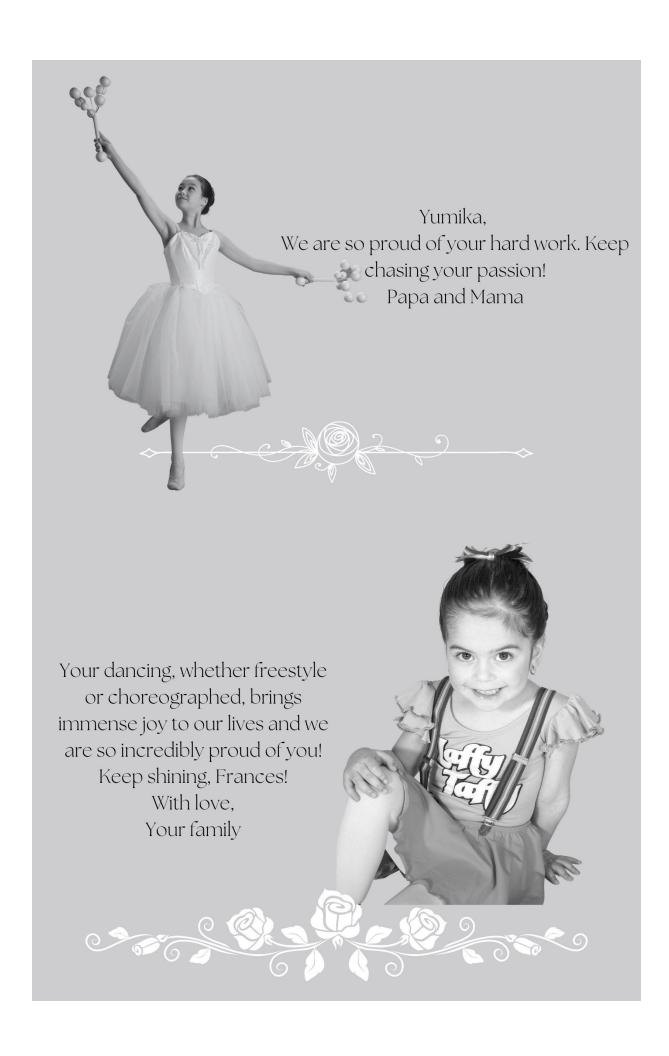
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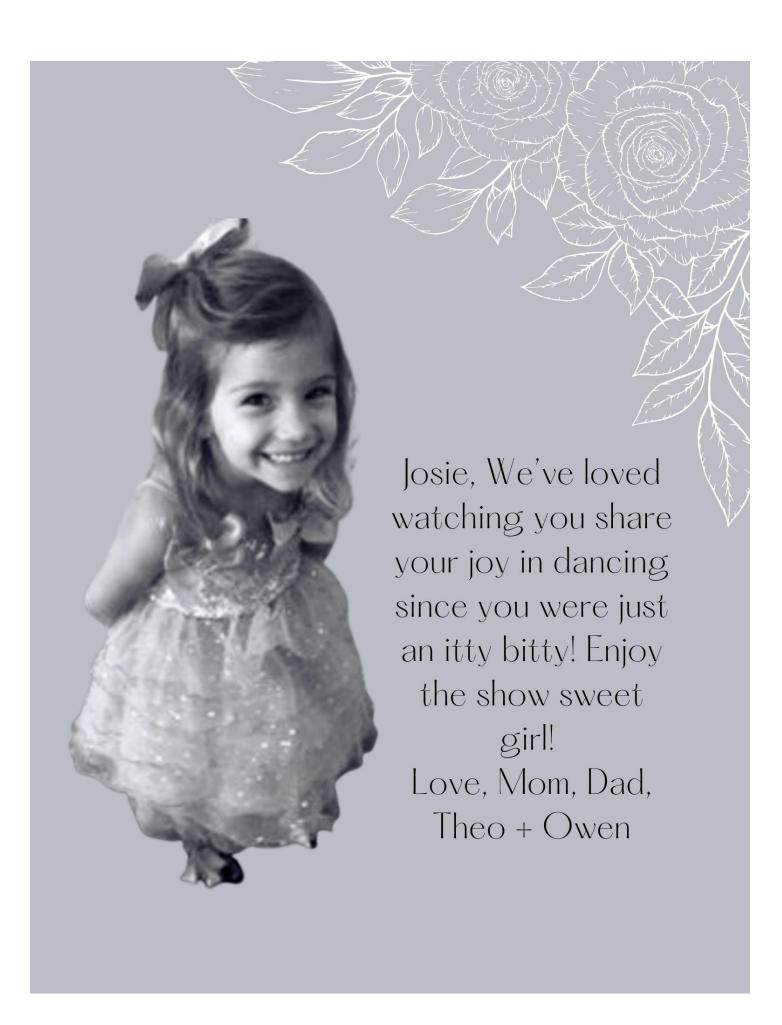
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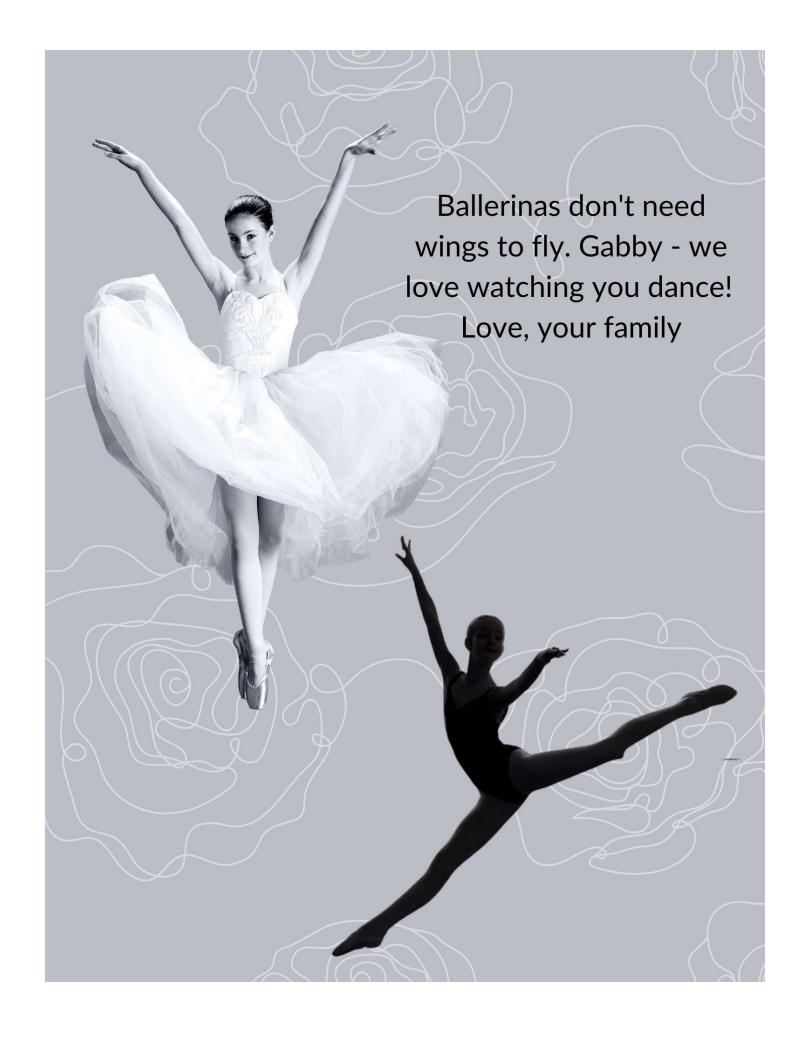
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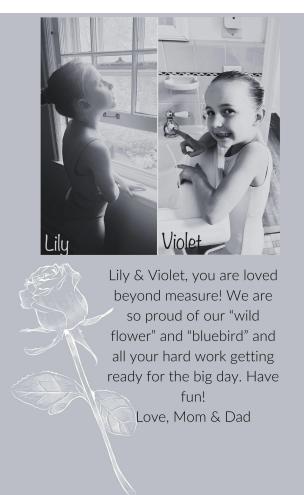
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Aurora's Friends		Maddie Jensen		Leighton Thompson
		Finley Johnson		Leighion mompson
		Sarah Levine	Cinderella	Auburn Busselberg
		Harriet Schumacher	Ciliderella	7.000111 Dosselberg
		Silvia Schumacher	Prince Charming	Reyli Ortega
		Josephine Showalter	Time chaming	keyii Orlega
		Anna Wood	Cinderella's Princesses	Elizabeth Forderer
		Anna Wood	Ciliderella 3 l'illicesses	Katherine Harrison
Act II - The Vision				Sofia Holmberg
Prince Desire		Owen Busselberg		Hadley Tygesson
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Woodland Fairy		Britta Rekstad		Ruth Weil
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Woodland Sprites		Maddie Jensen	Little Red Riding Hood	Gabby Mackey
		Yumika Nilan	<b>3</b>	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
		Gianna Schmidt	The Big Bad Wolf	Joe Howland
		Josephine Showalter	3	
		Klara Simon	Wildflowers and Dragonfly	Evy Andreasson
			<b>G</b> ,	Genevieve Angel
Act III - The Wedding				Evelyn Burke
Polonaise		Auburn Busselberg		Hailey Hirschberg
		Sarah Levine		Nilou Kebraiei
		Gabby Mackey		Lily Kleckner
		Adalyn Ryan		Tristan Orejudos
		Paisley Ryan		Lucia Ramirez-Vargas
		Harriet Schumacher		Natalia Schmidt
		Silvia Schumacher		
		Josephine Showalter	Puss in Boots	Reyli Ortega
Lilac Fairy Returns		Aashna Boolchandani	White Cats	Isabella Nybeck
				Julia Farah
Jewels				
	Blue Sapphire	Maisy James	Cat Corps	Genevieve Ambrose
				Evelyn Anderson
	Ruby	Grace Carey (2 pm)		Emrie Eklof
		Peyton Jewell (6 pm)		Roya Kebraiei
		Elise Wentzell		Nadya McDaniel
				Zuzu Marka
	Amethyst	Lydia Gore		Sabinna Miller
				Yumika Nilan
	Emerald	Marin Busselberg		Olivia Ryan
				Giselle Sather
Pas de Caracteres				Gianna Schmidt
Blue Birds		Maddie Jensen		Klara Simon
		Josephine Showalter		Eleanor Theobald
Little Blue Birds		Freya Feldman	Belle	Adalyn Ryan
		Frances Johnson		
		Violet Kleckner	Gaston	Ted Sothern
		Claire Long		
		Ophelia Nguyen	Villagers	Finley Johnson
		Lilah O'Brien		Suki Ortega-Credo
		Beatrice Pollock		Silvia Schumacher













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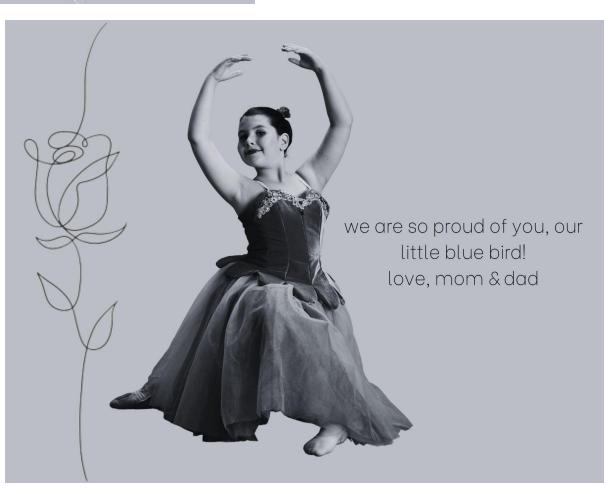
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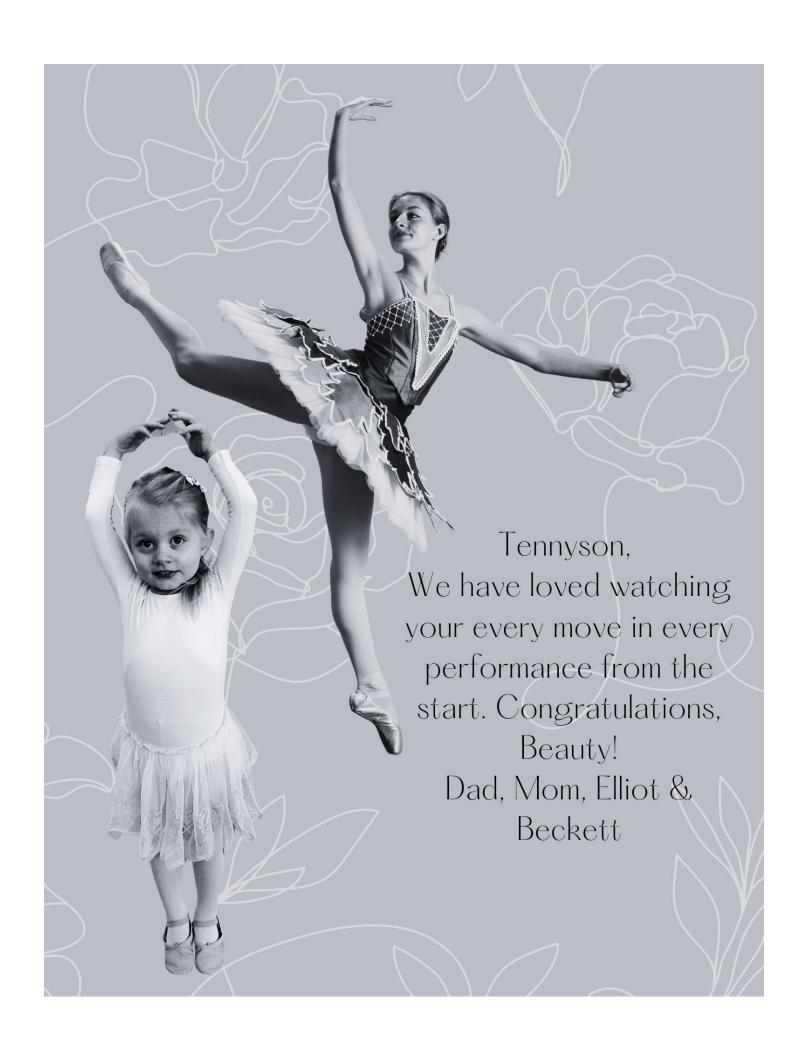


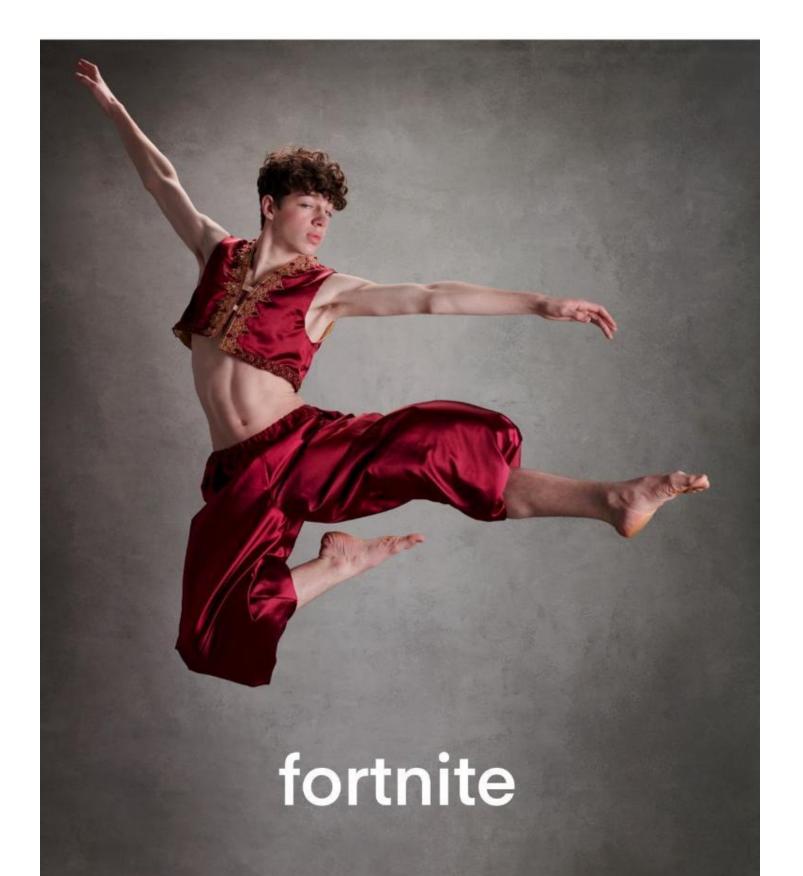
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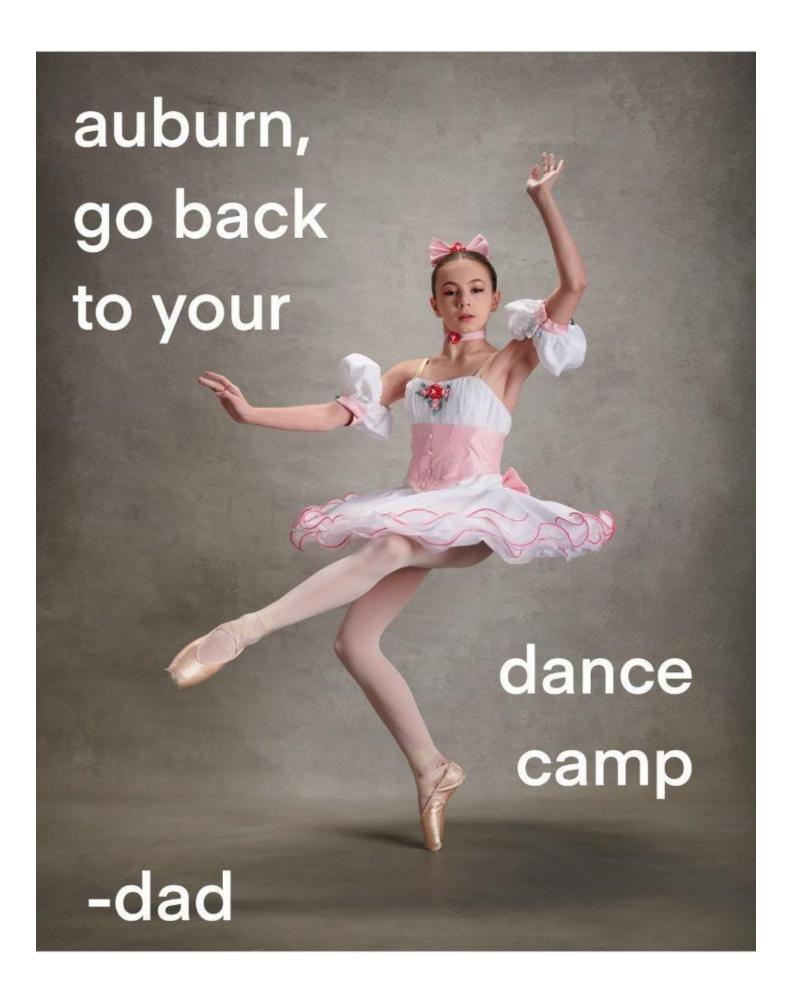
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# PRIMA CLASSICAL COACHING



# CALENDAR 2023-2024

School Year - September 6th, 2023-June 3rd, 2024

9/6/23 - First Day of Classes

9/9/23 - First Day of Nutcracker Rehearsals

10/18/23-10/22/23 - Fall Break - No Regular Classes

10/21/23 - No Nutcracker Rehearsals

11/23/23-11/26/23 - Thanksgiving Break - No Regular Classes

**11/30/23-12/2/23 -** Nutcracker Week - No Regular Classes

11/30/23 - Nutcracker Tech Rehearsal

12/1/23 - Nutcracker Dress Rehearsal

12/2/23 - Nutcracker Performances

12/3/23 - Nutcracker Performances

12/4/23-12/6/23 - Post-Nutcracker Break - No Regular Classes

**12/23/23-1/7/24 -** Winter Break - No Regular Classes

1/15/24 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No Regular Classes

**3/17/24-3/31/24 - Spring Break** 

**5/27/24 -** Memorial Day - No Regular Classes

5/30/24 - Spring Ballet Tech Rehearsal

**5/31/24 - Spring Ballet Dress Rehearsal** 

6/1/24 - Spring Ballet Performance

Thank You for Coming to The Sleeping Beauty!

# The Nutcracker 2023

PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES FOR AGES 3 & UP

# August 21 - August 25

2 AND 3 DAY NUTCRACKER WORKSHOPS

DANCERS OF ALL AGES RECEIVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PREPARE FOR THEIR NUTCRACKER AUDITIONS BY LEARNING AUDITION MATERIAL.

August 26





# December 2 & 3

PERFORMANCES
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2ND
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6:00 PM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3RD 3:00 PM

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