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Inland Pacific Ballet's Spectacular Production

The Nutcracker

A Holiday Tradition Your Family Will Treasure!

9 Magical Performances

Lewis Family Playhouse, Rancho Cucamonga: December 3-4 & 10-11

Fox Performing Arts Center, Riverside: December 17-18, 2022

Who: Inland Pacific Ballet, southern California's premier professional ballet company

What: *The Nutcracker*

Experience the magic of the holidays with family and friends at southern California's most spectacular production of *The Nutcracker* from critically acclaimed Inland Pacific Ballet. *The Nutcracker* comes to life in this magnificent ballet with beautiful sets, dazzling costumes, Tchaikovsky's classic score, and more than 80 dancers on stage. This annual holiday production tells the story of a young girl named Clara who receives a magical nutcracker doll on Christmas Eve and sets out on a wondrous journey to the Land of the Snow and the Kingdom of Sweets. Toy soldiers, life-sized dancing dolls, falling snow, a fantastic dream with battling mice, dancing snowflakes, waltzing flowers, gingerbread characters, and the delightful Sugar Plum Fairy stir the imagination. This is family entertainment at its best.

[Lewis Family Playhouse](#), 12505 Cultural Center Drive, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91739

- **Saturday, December 3: 2:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.**
- **Sunday, December 4: 2:00 p.m.**
- **Saturday, December 10: 2:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.**
- **Sunday, December 11: 2:00 p.m.**

[Fox Performing Arts Center](#), 3801 Mission Inn Avenue, Riverside, CA 92501

- **Saturday, December 17: 2:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.**
- **Sunday, December 18: 2:00 p.m.**

Tickets: Starting at \$24; with senior/child/group discounts available

More Information:

- Tickets and program information: <https://ipballet.org>; <https://www.cityofrc.us/news/inland-pacific-ballets-nutcracker> (Lewis Family Playhouse); <https://www.riversidelive.com> (Fox Performing Arts Center)
- For additional information, please contact the theater box offices directly.
- Visit us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/inlandpacificballet>
- Follow us on Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/inlandpacificballet>

• All current CDC and local guidelines regarding seating and masks will be followed at each performance.



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[Inland Pacific Ballet](#), founded in 1994 by Southern California natives Victoria Koenig and Kevin Frank Myers, quickly became one of Southern California's cultural jewels. Its mission is to build and sustain a professional ballet company in the Inland Empire of Southern California, committed to producing exquisitely staged productions of full-length classic story ballets as well as presenting the best in contemporary choreography.

Koenig and Myers have built Inland Pacific Ballet into the premier ballet company in the region, enjoying critical acclaim while performing the largest and most varied repertoire in the area. The Company's repertoire includes such classics as *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Les Sylphides*, *Graduation Ball* and *Swan Lake Act II*. Full length classical masterpieces include *Giselle*, *Coppélia* and a lavish production of *The Nutcracker*. Contemporary classics include masterpieces by the legendary George Balanchine including *Serenade*, *Concerto Barocco* and *Who Cares?* and a growing body of original work which includes creative adaptations of much-loved stories such as *The Little Mermaid*, *Cinderella*, *Dracula*, and *Beauty and the Beast*.

Based in the Inland Empire region of southern California, the Company performs its home season from October to May as Company in Residence at the historic Bridges Auditorium in Claremont. In 2010 the Company began adding other southern California venues to its regular season including the Lewis Family Playhouse in Rancho Cucamonga (2010), the Arcadia Performing Arts Center in Arcadia (2013), the Fox Performing Arts Center in Riverside (2014), and the Sophia B. Clarke Theater in Walnut (2019). Festival programs such as the Redlands Bowl Music Festival, Balletfest and Dance Kaleidoscope have also allowed the Company to reach an ever-expanding audience. Recent partnerships include a guest appearance with San Bernardino Symphony in 2018.

Regional touring has included the Luckman Fine Arts Complex in Los Angeles, the Civic Arts Plaza in Thousand Oaks, the Annenberg Theater in Palm Desert, the Haugh Performing Arts Center in Glendora, the Warner Grand Theatre in San Pedro. In 2009 the Company embarked on its first national tour, performing at the Globe-News Center for the Performing Arts in Amarillo, Texas.

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