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Broadway Star is a Colorful Addition to this Year's Nutcracker

In what has become an annual holiday treat for the North Penn Community, Delaware Valley Dance Academy brings endearing characters of The Nutcracker to life as Clara takes her magical journey through the majestic Land of Snow and into the Kingdom of Sweets.

Broadway Actor, Ben Sheaffer, will perform the role of Herr Drosselmeier in this year's production. Mr. Sheaffer starred as Rolf in the Tony-nominated Broadway revival and national tour of The Sound of Music. He was also featured on Broadway in the Tony-nominated musical 1776. Mr. Sheaffer is currently on the faculty as drama instructor at Delaware Valley Dance Academy.

Also joining the DVDA cast in the title role of The Sugar Plum Fairy is Meredith Reffner, who has been a dancer with the Pennsylvania Ballet for the past 8 years. "We are so fortunate to have the principal roles in our Nutcracker played by professionals with such vast performing experience," say Lisa Wasserman, Artistic Director of DVDA. This year's production of The Nutcracker also includes a cast of 140 exceptionally talented dancers from across the North Penn area.

Share the tradition of fantasy as Clara and her Prince, and the Sugar Plum Fairy ignite the imagination of princes and princesses young and old alike! Watch as Flurries of Snowflakes, a magnificent Christmas tree, and a brigade of mice all come to life in Delaware Valley Dance Academy's production of the Nutcracker.

Performances for the general public will be held Friday December 4th at 7:30PM and Saturday December 5th at 1:30 PM in the beautiful and spacious Calvary Church Auditorium in Souderton, Pennsylvania. A Special performance of The Nutcracker will be presented at a discounted price for local area school students and retirement communities on Friday December 4th at 10 AM.

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Reserved Seating tickets can be purchase by calling DVDA at 215-822-4640, ticket prices are \$20 for Adults and \$16 for Students and Seniors.

About Delaware Valley Dance Academy

Delaware Valley Dance Academy offers the finest dance training in an encouraging and professional atmosphere. Our classes are designed to take students from their first introduction to dance to a full and varied course of dance training. An emphasis is placed on proper body placement and line. We stress the importance of musicality and the joy of artistic expression. The school has an enthusiastic staff of professionally experienced teachers supplemented by visiting guest teachers. A close working partnership between student and teacher is an important aspect of our program. Whether in pursuit of a professional dance career or simply to derive the joys and physical benefits of dance class, our students will enjoy the highest quality classes in a warm and nurturing environment.

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