



November 30<sup>th</sup> 2024 6:00 p.m.

December 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 2:00 p.m.

Rancho Campana High School Performing Arts Theater  
4235 Mar Vista Dr. Camarillo, CA

### The Nutcracker “A Christmas Carol”

In the quaint cobblestone streets of a Victorian village, Ebenezer Scrooge, known for his miserly ways, callously fires his humble secretary, Clara, unaware of their deep past connection. That night, Scrooge's solitary slumber is interrupted by the visitation of three ghosts, who leads him on a journey of self-discovery and redemption.

The Ghost of Christmas Past transports Scrooge back to his youth at a town Christmas party, where he is a victim of bullying. Here, he meets young Clara, a kindred spirit, who not only defends him but also shares a moment of genuine friendship marked by an exchange of heartfelt gifts—a Nutcracker from him and her scarf to him.

Fast forward to the present, The Ghost of Christmas Present reveals a harsh reality: Clara, now his former secretary, struggles to provide for her sickly son, Tiny Tim, who finds comfort in playing with an old Nutcracker—the very one Scrooge gave Clara years ago. This revelation shocks Scrooge, realizing that Clara was the girl who had once stood up for him.

The journey takes a darker turn with The Ghost of Christmas Future, showing a possible bleak future for Tiny Tim and Clara, now destitute and grappling with severe illness. Overwhelmed by visions of despair and prompted by his past misdeeds, Scrooge is driven to his knees, filled with regret.

Miraculously, Scrooge awakens in his bed, relieved to find it was all a dream yet shaken to his core. Motivated by a newfound resolve, he finds the old scarf Clara gave him and rushes to her home. In a heartfelt reunion, he not only reconciles with Clara and Tiny Tim but also extends his generosity, ensuring they will never want again.

The story concludes with Scrooge, Clara, and Tiny Tim, now a united family, sharing a feast and a future filled with promise and love, as Scrooge and Clara discover a late-life romance that brings them full circle from their childhood friendship.

*Story By Joanna Santor & Mark Labella*

### **Opening Village**

**Village Choir Leads:** Addison Cole, Cloe Provchy

**Village Choir Corps:** Zoe Edwards, Brighley Neve, Reagan Prince, Bowie Shapiro

**Scrooge:** Jael Lamarque

**Clara:** Elizabeth Decker (Sat) ~ Megan Pratt (Sun)

**Tiny Tim:** Maya Paras (Sat)~ Kali Reeve (Sun)

### **Ghostly Visit “Link by Link”**

**Ghost of Past:** Skyla Brazell    **Ghost of Present:** Bodhi Lae    **Ghost of Future:** Maylee Scaringe

### **Ghost of Past “Lights of Long Ago”**

**Ghost of Past:** Skyla Brazell                      **Scrooge:** Jael Lamarque

### **House Party from Scrooge’s Past**

**Maid:** Reagan Adams

**Lead Bullies:** Josie Burkhardt & Olivia Thompson

**Bullies:** Mila Cruz, Reagan Prince, Bowie Shapiro, Violet Srodawa, Lyla Calderon

**Young Scrooge:** Faye Foote (Sat) ~ Olivia Hamilton (Sun)

**Young Clara:** Leah Burns (Sat) ~ Snow Abbadini (Sun)

**Party Dancers:** Snow Abbadini (Sat), Lucy Burkhardt, Olivia Hamilton (Sat), Brooklyn Kelley, McKenna Liberty, Amelie Orso, Maya Paras (Sun), Kali Reeve (Sat), Bowie Shapiro, Harper Udell, Sydnee Udell, Charlie Valle (Sun)

**Kitty:** Francesca Proia

**Doll Duet:** Amelie Orso & Charlie Valle (Sat) ~ Esmira Polyak & Kallae Mills (Sun)

**Doll Solo:** Camryn Talley (Sat) ~ Jadyn Wismann (Sun)

### **Ghost of Present “Scrooge’s Harsh Reality”**

**Ghost of Present:** Bodhi Lae                      **Scrooge:** Jael Lamarque

**Clara:** Elizabeth Decker (Sat) ~ Megan Pratt (Sun)

**Tiny Tim:** Maya Paras (Sat) ~ Kali Reeve (Sun)

### **Scrooge’s Nightmare:**

**Rat King:** Hannah Curry (Sat) ~ Makenna Hamilton (Sun)

**Rat Minions:** Elizabeth Echegaray & Bethany Gamez

**Mice:** Cora Barton, Reagan Cadby, Olivia Delgado, Declan Excell, Ivy Foote, Morgan Hess, Hayden Hunt, Lydia Macklin, Harper Neve, Riley Prince, June Thompson, Isla Williams

**Demons:** Cayla Abugow, Emily Axelrad, Etoile Jeanne, Lily Palmer

### **Scrooge's Transformation:**

**Ghost of Future:** Maylee Scaringe    **Scrooge:** Jael Lamarque

**Transformation Leads:** Hailey Blough, Demia Henderson, Johanna Earle, Zaida Fulgentes, Alexandra Laing, Samantha Milligan

**New Beginning:** Skyla Brazell, Addyson Cole, Johanna Earle, Zaida Fulgentes, Kylie Johnson, Kallae Mills, Esmira Polyak, Cloe Provchy, Camryn Talley, Olivia Thompson

### **Land of All Good Things:**

**Two Hearts:** Naomi Foote & Moises Lamarque (Sat) ~ Ivy Roessell & Moises Lamarque (Sun)

**Life Is A Gift:** Lyla Calderon, Mila Cruz, Elizabeth Echegaray, Zoe Edwards, Bethany Gamez, Avery Kerman, Brighley Neve, Maya Paras (Sun), Francesca Proia, Reagan Prince, Kali Reeve (Sat), Jane Ware, Isla Winter

**Strength of Character:** Josie Burkhardt, Lucy Burkhardt, Leah Burns, Faye Foote, Olivia Hamilton, Amelie Orso, Maya Paras (Sun), Violet Srodawa, Harper Udell, Sydnee Udell, Charlie Valle

**Purity of Heart:** Erin Hammerquist ~ Soloist

Corps (Sat): Pepper Barlow, Cora Penfield, Jane Ware, Felicity Zeman, Madeline Zeman

**Honesty is the First Chapter:** Tori Edwards, Zoe Edwards, Izzy Downing, Ava Neely, Cora Penfield (Sat), Jane Ware

**Peace and Tranquility:** Kyla Janiszewski & Bodhi Lae (Sat) ~ Victoria Rodriguez & Bodhi Lae (Sun)

**Justice Prevails:** Amelia Ason, Daphne Bolger, Tori Edwards, Abigail Excell, Sadie Hess, Sadhna Kubsad, Ava Lindberg, Hayden Meehan, Selena Santiago, Eliana Sergey, Gwendolyn Zeman

**Love Pas De Deux:** Naomi Foote & Moises Lamarque (Sat) ~ Ivy Roessell & Moises Lamarque (Sun)

**We Are Family:** Cayla Abugow, Reagan Adams, Emily Axelrad, Hailey Blough, Elizabeth Decker (Sun), Faye Foote, Erin Hammerquist, Demia Henderson, Kyla Janiszewski (Sun), Etoile Jean, Alexandra Laing, Samantha Milligan, Lily Palmer, Ivy Roessell (Sat), Jady Wismann

## **Finale**

***Artistic Directors: Chris McCarty & Joanna Santor***

***Our Creative and Talented Teachers:***

***Kristin Benjamin, Samantha Herrero-Bonesteel, Hannah Curry, Patrick Frantz, Michelle Galanti, Lily Gallardo, Lianie Llaguno, Alex Porter, Victoria Rodriguez, Pavel Tabultov, Therese Tamburro, Marielle Thomas, Charlene Valle, Megan Wu***  
***Office Manager: Denise Anderson***

***Special Thanks:***

***~ To Mark Labella for his talents in helping write the story adaptation for this production.***

***~ To our volunteers who work their "magic" backstage.***

***~ To the Rancho Campana Theater staff for providing a beautiful venue for our production***

***~ And as always, love, gratitude, and appreciation to all our supportive Dance Creations families.***