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### **Arts Ballet Theatre of Florida Returns to Aventura Arts & Cultural Center with Seasonal Favorite *The Nutcracker***

**AVENTURA – Arts Ballet Theatre of Florida** returns to Aventura with a sparkling production of the holiday classic ***The Nutcracker***, from **December 11 through 13**, featuring the choreography of the company’s artistic director Vladimir Issaev.

This beloved tale of snowflakes, sugar plums, magical dolls, naughty little boys and a Christmas toy that comes to life is set to the enchanting score by Tchaikovsky and includes "The Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy" and "Waltz of the Flowers," among other favorites. The mesmerizing choreography of the fun party scene, harrowing battle scene and the enchanting kingdom of the sweets has made the ballet a traditional season favorite.

*The Nutcracker* not only is the most popular ballet worldwide during this time of year, it serves as an introduction to ballet for young audiences.

The young, enthusiastic Arts Ballet Theatre of Florida company features a corps of professional dancers performing the principal roles, as well as a community cast of local character artists and children.

#### ***The Nutcracker* is:**

- **Presented as a Smart Stage Matinee on Friday, December 11 at 10:30 a.m. in an abbreviated version.** Tickets are \$10 with \$3 lap seats for infants 12-months or younger. **Arrive early; latecomers will not be seated until intermission.**
- **Presented as a full-length production on Friday, December 11 and Saturday, December 12 at 7 p.m., and Sunday, December 13 at 3 p.m.** Tickets are \$40 with \$5 lap seats available at the box office for infants 12-months or younger. **Arrive early; latecomers will not be seated until intermission.**

Ticketmaster is the only official ticketing service of the Broward Center, Aventura Arts & Cultural Center and affiliated venues. Buy tickets online at [aventuracenter.org](http://aventuracenter.org); by phone at 877-311-7469; in person at Ticketmaster outlets or at the Aventura Arts & Cultural Center box office Tuesday through Saturday from noon to 5 p.m. and 90 minutes prior

to each performance. Know who you are buying from when you purchase tickets. We CANNOT PROVIDE REFUNDS OR CUSTOMER SERVICE for tickets purchased from unauthorized sites, brokers or secondary ticket sellers. For Group Sales, please call 954-660-6307.

The Broward Center for the Performing Arts manages the Aventura Arts & Cultural Center, a 14,864-square-foot, 330-seat waterfront complex that hosts performing arts, cultural and educational programming for all ages. The Aventura Arts & Cultural Center is located at 3385 N.E. 188 Street in Aventura. Join the conversation on Twitter at #aventuracenter.

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### **CALENDAR BRIEF**

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