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Shumka's Nutcracker Returns December 22 & 23 3 Shows Only!



Edmonton – [Shumka's Nutcracker](#) returns to the **Northern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium** for three performances, **December 22 & 23, 2018**. Tickets are available through [Ticketmaster.ca](#).

A true Edmonton Nutcracker, this holiday classic is produced and performed by local artists. This luxurious and uniquely powerful production features ballet, folk dance, and character dance in a celebration of Tchaikovsky's beloved score. **Shumka's Nutcracker** blends the grace and lyrical nature of classical movement with the strength of Ukrainian character dance, leaving audiences exhilarated and entertained.

The production features **Kyiv Ballet** principal dancers **Tetyana Lozova** and **Yaroslav Tkachuk** as Clara and the Prince, and Shumka alumnist **Jeffrey Mortensen** as Clara's mischievous brother Fritz. A 12-person choir made up of local vocalists and Shumka alumnists will also appear in the production, along with young dancers from the Shumka School.

Music arrangements are by **Yuri Shevchenko** of Ukraine, choreography by **Viktor Lytvynov** of the Kyiv Ballet and **John Pichlyk** of Shumka, costumes by **Maria Levitska** of the National Opera of Ukraine and local theatre designer/Shumka alumnist **Stephanie Bahniuk**, and lighting by **Jeff Osterlin**. Senior Creative Director for Shumka's Nutcracker is former Royal Winnipeg Ballet dancer/choreographer **Jorden Morris**.

"A stunning take on a timeless classic." – Colin MacLean

Shumka's Nutcracker

December 22 | 2:00pm & 7:30pm

December 23 | 2:00pm

Tickets start at \$25

Northern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium

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