



DECEMBER 2019 NEWS

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The Nutcracker

COME SEE US DANCE!

Our Senior Company dancers are powerful and dynamic as well as sensitive and artistic, flexible and coordinated as well as focused and graceful. They have confidence, determination and self-discipline. They have a command of speed, control and precision, and are artistic enough to know when to utilize each quality to make their dancing shine. Our Junior Company dancers are on their way to achieving the same level of ability and confidence. Don't miss the perceptive interpretations of roles and choreography by all of our company dancers in the holiday classic!

GOOD SEATS ARE STILL AVAILABLE

No 10 am classes Saturdays, Dec 7 & 14
Special schedule due to
The Nutcracker rehearsal load:
Primary/Level I class 11:30-12:30
Levels II/III 11:30-1:00
Levels IV/V/VI 11:30 1:00

Last Day of Class Saturday, Dec 14

The Studio reopens for 2020
Monday, January 6

Buy tickets online at [SantaCruzTickets.com](https://www.santacruztickets.com)
or at the Civic Box Office 307 Church Street, Santa Cruz
(831) 420-5260. Box Office hours Tues-Fri 11 am-6 pm.



Senior Company dancers pictured with Junior Company (sitting in front), photographed by Jim Schwartz.

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ALL PERFORMANCES FEATURE GUEST STARS AND SCBT ALUMNI *Melody Mennite* AND *Lucien Postlewaite* AND LIVE ORCHESTRA CONDUCTED BY PAMELA MARTIN



Clockwise from top left: Music Director Pamela Martin conducts a rehearsal, photographed by Jana Marcus. Guest artists Melody Mennite and Lucien Postlewaite star as the Sugar Plum Fairy and Her Cavalier in 2011, photographed by Lynne Owen. The Nutcracker and his brigade of Soldiers come to Clara's rescue against giant Mice in the Battle Scene, photographed by Bari Lee. Melody and Lucien demonstrate the ease and beauty of having danced together since their formative years.



The Santa Cruz Ballet Theatre Orchestra, pictured at left, accompanies guest stars Melody Mennite, near left, and Lucien Postlewaite, above, as well as the rest of the cast. Below, the ritual presentation of a rose for expert partnering is given to Lucien by Melody in 2011. Photographs by Lynne Owen, Bari Lee and courtesy of PNB.



COME SEE US DANCE in Abbott Square downtown at the MAH
Sunday, December 8 @12:30 pm
Sections of the Party Scene