



# The Nutcracker

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There's nothing that says beckons to the holiday season quite like a visit to the theatre with family and friends, and no show is more iconic than the Nutcracker. There have been many variations of the show over the years, but here in Vancouver, we're lucky to have the Goh Ballet and their annual production of the show that the Vancouver Sun calls, "an outstanding production." 2014 marks the sixth year of the Goh Ballet's Nutcracker, delighting more than 10,000 visitors each year.

With whimsical sets, beautiful costume design and highly trained dancers, the Goh Ballet's Nutcracker is nothing short of a stellar trip into another world, combined with Tchaikovsky's traditional music that will have the whole family tapping their toes. Since 1978, the Goh Ballet, under direction by Chan Hon Goh since 2010, has been on the forefront of artistic expression, cultivating a crew of some of the best dancers that the world has to offer.

This year, the Nutcracker ballet welcomes Paloma Herrera as principal dancer with the American Ballet Theatre, who will perform as the renowned Sugar Plum Fairy, and Dmitri Dvgozelets of the Royal Winnipeg Ballet. There's also an amazing cast of more than 200 dancers who will captivate and twirl on the stage. Each dancer was carefully chosen from a wide range of actors, with children as young as six years old part of the show!

If design is more your thing, then the Goh Ballet seeks to impress. Their costumes have been created by award-winning designers and the sets are multi-layered and hand-painted, allowing rich, beautiful colours and some of their magical props will surprise even the most stoic of theatre-goers! There's even a live magic show as part of the performance!

The Goh Ballet's Nutcracker runs from December 18-22nd at The Centre on Homer Street, so don't miss your chance to be part of this holiday tradition!

**Tickets** range from \$28.00 to \$83.25. Available through [Ticketmaster](#), by calling 1-855-985-2787 or by visiting [gohnutcracker.com](http://gohnutcracker.com)