

**Box Office Open
For "Nutcracker"**



His artistic imagination, meticulous eye for color and detail, and sensitivity to Vassili Sulich's concept makes this year's "NUTCRACKER" a more magical and beautiful spectacle than ever.

Last year's production was the beginning of a project to have all new costumes designed by Ballet West's Lavid Heuvel. This year the lavish new costuming will be complete.

Artistic Director Vassili Sulich has made a few choreographic changes. In particular, the "Debutantes" dance by tiny 6 year olds will now be an appearance by Snow White and the cutest seven dwarfs.

The original "NUTCRACKER" premiered in St. Petersburg, Russia in 1892. In Sulich's adaptation of the libretto, the first act of the ballet invites the audience to share the Christmas Eve celebration of the Village Mayor's family and friends, through the use of story-telling mime and festive groups dances for both children and adults. The Mayor's daughter, Clara, is given a Nutcracker by her godfather, Dr. Drosselmeyer - a magician who provides entertainment at the party. After the guests have left, Clara creeps downstairs, and falls asleep with the Nutcracker in her arms.

The audience is drawn into her magical dream. After the Nutcracker grows and saves her from invading mice, he comes to life as a Prince, who escorts her through the Snow Kingdom to the Kingdom of Toys. The Sugar Plum Fairy welcomes Clara to her Kingdom where she is entertained by dances of different countries. As Christmas day dawns, Clara's dream continues as she is transported away from the Kingdom of Toys.

Tickets are \$15, \$10, \$6, children and senior citizens \$10, \$7, \$5. Discounts are available for groups of 20 or more. Box office hours are 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday and one hour before performances. Patrons may charge tickets on either Visa or Mastercard. Since "NUTCRACKER" traditionally sells out, it is advisable to purchase tickets early. Call 739-3801.

Tickets for NEVADA DANCE THEATRE's annual production of the "NUTCRACKER" are on sale at Artemus W. Ham Concert Hall box office.

Seventeen performances are scheduled at Judy Bayley Theatre, December 12 through 23, nightly at 8 p.m., plus matinees at 2 p.m. December 13, 15, 21, 22. Mervyn's is the principal sponsor of the "NUTCRACKER."

This production features all new scenery designed and executed by local artist Bill Meyer.

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Nevada Power Company President, Charles A. Lenzie, left, presents the first Energy Efficient Architectural Award to Alan L. Blum of Las Vegas. Blum was cited for his pioneering concepts and energy saving design of Las Vegas' first energy efficient office complex at Park Flamingo. Blum has been a leader in designing energy efficient buildings, homes and business complexes. He is also a member of Nevada Power's Consumer Advisory Council and helps provide suggestions to the company on ways to conserve energy and decrease homeowners costs.

The long-awaited film of this year's CLIO Awards will be presented at a luncheon meeting on Friday, December 6, 1985 beginning at 11:30 A.M. at the Palace Station. The CLIOs are the award-winning International Television Commercials of 1985.

The luncheon cost is \$15.00 for non members of the Advertising Federation.

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