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## **Heat up the holidays with *The Hip Hop Nutcracker***



**Worcester, Mass. (August 19, 2019)** Celebrate love, community and the magic of the holiday season with this re-mixed and re-imagined version of the classic when *The Hip Hop Nutcracker* comes to The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts on Sunday, December 29 at 7 pm. Tickets go on sale to members on Monday, August 19 at 10 am and to the public on Friday, August 30 at 10 am.

Directed and choreographed by Jennifer Weber, *The Hip Hop Nutcracker* is a contemporary dance spectacle set to Tchaikovsky's timeless music. Just like in the original ballet, Maria-Clara and the Nutcracker Prince go on a dream adventure battling a gang of mice, visiting the land of sweets and learning the lessons of the holiday season. Innovative digital graffiti and visuals transform the landscape of E.T.A. Hoffmann's beloved story from traditional 19th Century Germany to the vibrant, diverse sights and sounds of contemporary New York City. *The Hip Hop Nutcracker* is "a truly one-of-a-kind experience, filled with high-powered choreography and a very modern storyline." (Elle Magazine).

This production is performed by a supercharged cast of a dozen all-star dancers, a DJ, a violinist and MC Kurtis Blow, one of hip hop's founding fathers, who opens the show with a short set.

Tickets to *The Hip Hop Nutcracker* start at \$42.50. Discounts are available for members and groups of 10 or more. Tickets are available online at [TheHanoverTheatre.org](http://TheHanoverTheatre.org), by phone at 877.571.SHOW (7469) or at The Hanover Theatre box office located at 2 Southbridge Street in

downtown Worcester. For more information on group sales, contact Daniella Marie at 508.471.1763 or [daniella@thehanovertheatre.org](mailto:daniella@thehanovertheatre.org).

**Save more the day tickets go on sale!**

*The Hip Hop Nutcracker* joins over 20 new shows on sale throughout the month of August. Save \$5-\$12 on every ticket you buy (from 10am - midnight) the day they go on sale to the public. Handling fees are waived ONLY on the day each show goes on public sale. Sign up online at [TheHanoverTheatre.org/AugustMania](http://TheHanoverTheatre.org/AugustMania) to receive a reminder when your favorite shows go on sale. Become a member for as little as \$75 and get first access to single tickets plus save 10% off on Member Mondays throughout August. All price levels are available in the orchestra when tickets go on sale. When they're gone, they're gone, so don't delay! Handling fees are not waived on Member Mondays.

**About The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts**

The Hanover Theatre has entertained more than two million patrons with world-class performances and headlining acts including Broadway hits ("Jersey Boys," "Kinky Boots," "Something Rotten!"), comedians (Dave Chappelle, Jay Leno, Jerry Seinfeld), musical acts (Neil Young, Aretha Franklin, John Legend, Tony Bennett) and everything in between ("A Christmas Carol," Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre, Alton Brown, Dr. Neil deGrasse Tyson). POLLSTAR consistently ranks The Hanover Theatre as one of the top theatres in the world. After 11 seasons, the award-winning, historic theatre continues to establish its place as a world-class performing arts venue, acting as a catalyst for the economic development of downtown Worcester. The Hanover Theatre's facilities at 551 Main Street house function spaces, offices and The Hanover Theatre Conservatory.

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