# **Duke it Out!**

Program Directors: Fiona Queen & John Schmitz
Curated by Altin Naska
Music by Axiom Brass & Quintet Attacca / Sean Kopp, percussion
Ellington/Strayhorn Brass Quintet Arrangement: James Stephenson

#### 1. Waltz of the Snowflakes - Tchaikovsky

Plainfield Dance Academy/Wheatland Dance Theater

Choreographer: Altin Naska Dr. Drosselmeyer: Luke Worland

Dancers: Rachel Kelly as *Clara*, with Amanda Eldridge, Alice Duncan, Avery Feudo, Maddie Glynn, Allison Huang, Lilly Perius, Elizabeth Welsh and Molly Wiatrak as *Snowflakes* 

## 2. Overture - Tchaikovsky

Choreographer: Altin Naska

Dancers: Jabowen Dixon as *Nutcracker* with Kate O'Hanlon, Colin Piloto, Maggie Lasher, Ryan Godkin, Emma Illian, Olivia Johnson, Makayla Brown, Lily Townsend

## 3. Overture - Ellington/Strayhorn

Choreography and Performance by Tristan Bruns as Mouse King and Jabowen Dixon as Nutcracker

#### 4. Sugar Plum Fairy - Tchaikovsky

Plainfield Dance Academy/Wheatland Dance Theater Choreographer: Olena Nalyvaiko after Petipa Dancer: Rachel Kelly

## 5. Sugar Rum Cherry – Ellington/Strayhorn

Gus Giordano Dance: GG Company

Choreographers: Nicole Belanger & Lauren Giordano Whittington Dancers: Yinka Akinlade, Makayla Brown, Sofia Damer-Salas, Maddie Jednorowicz, Helina McCannon, Max Silverman, Lucie Sullivan, Lily Townsend, Meghan Vanasco

#### 6. Arabian Dance - Tchaikovsky

Plainfield Dance Academy/Wheatland Dance Theater Choreographer: Altin Naska and Olena Nalyvaiko Dancers: Amanda Eldridge and Colin Piloto

7. Arabesque Cookie – Ellington/Strayhorn

Tapman Productions
Choreography and Performance by Tristan Bruns, Kate O'Hanlon
with Patrick Justin

#### **8. Mirliton** - Tchaikovsky

Plainfield Dance Academy/Wheatland Dance Theater Choreographer: Olena Nalyvaiko after Marius Petipa Dancers: Maddie Glynn, Maggie Lasher and Ryan Godkin

#### **9. Toot Tootie Toot** – Ellington/Strayhorn

Forum Jazz Dance Theatre

Choreographer: Kate Coleman

Dancers: Grace Finerty, Emma Illian, Olivia Johnson, Claire Kauppila, Kayley Licudine, Patricia Nowak, Nicole Ulrich, Anna Vondrak, Olivia Wollney

## 10. Chinese Dance - Tchaikovsky

Plainfield Dance Academy/Wheatland Dance Theater

Choreographer: Olena Nalyvaiko

Dancer: Elizabeth Welsh with Allison Huang, Lilly Perius and Molly Wiatrak as Dragon

#### 11. Chinoserie - Ellington/Strayhorn

Gus Giordano Dance School: GG Company

Choreographers: Nicole Belanger & Lauren Giordano Whittington

Dancers: Yinka Akinlade, Makayla Brown, Sofia Damer-Salas, Maddie Jednorowicz, Helina McCannon,

Emmett Nevel, Max Silverman, Lucie Sullivan, Lily Townsend, Meghan Vanasco

#### 12. Russian Dance - Tchaikovsky

Plainfield Dance Academy/Wheatland Dance Theater Choreographer: Brette Benedict after Marius Petipa Dancer: Alice Duncan, Avery Feudo and Colin Piloto

## 13. Volga Vouty - Ellington/Strayhorn

Forum Jazz Dance Theatre

Choreographers: Brent Caburnay, Amhad Simmons, Kimberly Fletcher-Stibal Dancers: Grace Finerty, Emma Illian, Olivia Johnson, Claire Kauppila, Kayley Licudine, Patricia Nowak, Nicole Ulrich, Anna Vondrak, Olivia Wollney

**14. Entre-acte** – Ellington/Strayhorn Choreographer: Altin Naska Grand Finale / Bows

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