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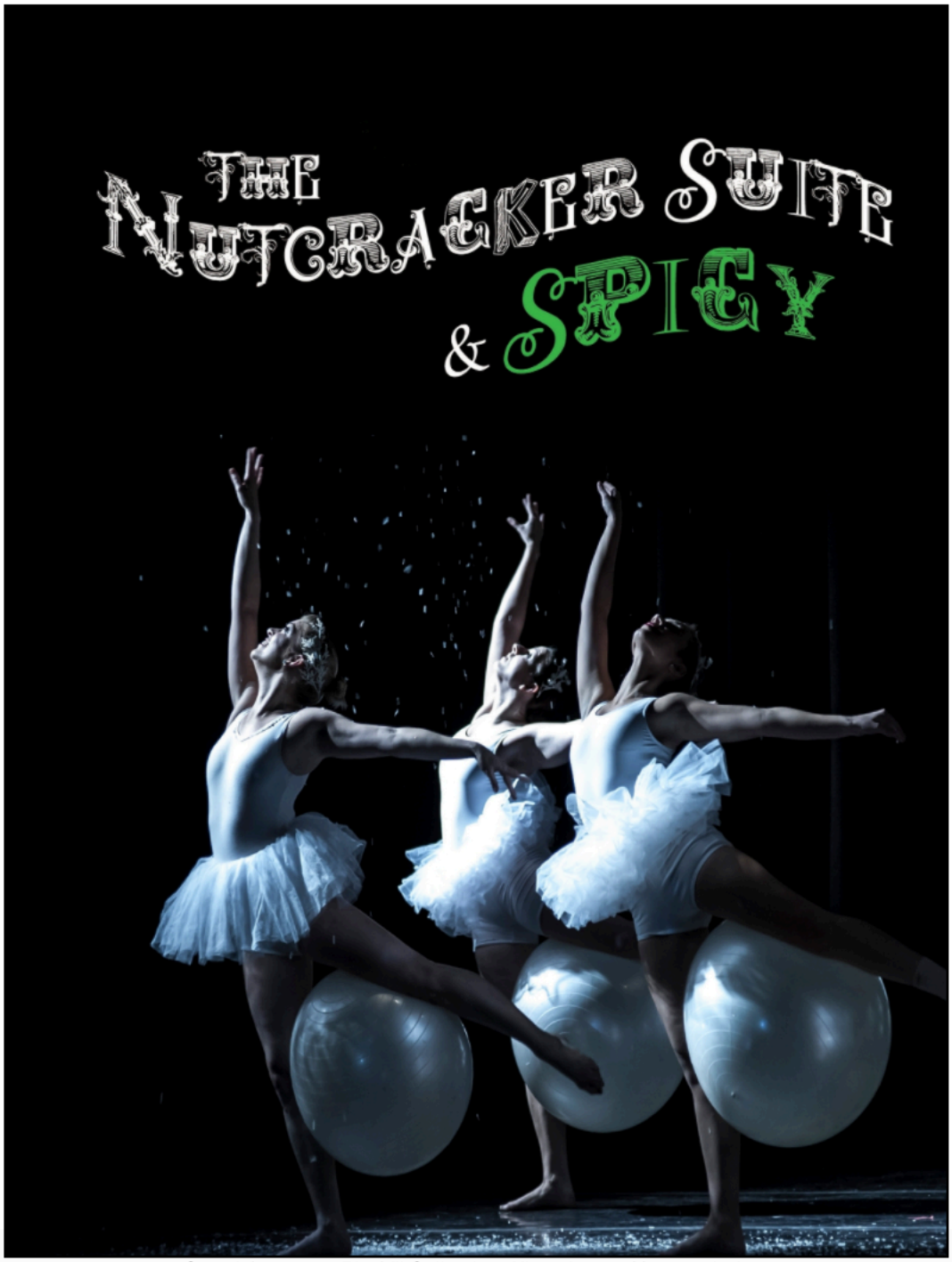


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**CONNetic Dance**
**The Aetna Theatre at the Wadsworth Atheneum**

PRESENTS

# THE NUTCRACKER SUITE & SPICY

Conceived, Directed, & Choregraphed by
**Carolyn Paine**

with

**Joseph Beltre**
**Jamie-Lynn Connell ****
**Kayleigh Crocetto ****
**Nic Fortenbach**
**Will Jackson ***
**Kailah King**
**Leeza Regulbuto**
**Lyndsay Rysedorph**
**Sam Schrader**
**Alex Zarlengo ****

**Tyler Brown**
**Anton Cort ***
**Meghan Crocetto ***
**Draya Gohagon**
**Elisabeth Jeffrey ***
**Henry Olivo**
**Lili Rojek ***
**Tang Sauce**
**Lexi Tavares**

**Norman Campblell ***
**Jake Crocetto ***
**Sam Flook ***
**Cece Jackson**
**Megan Leary**
**Carolyn Paine ****
**Freddy Rosado ***
**Leigh Schanfein ***
**Tonille Watkis**
**Lucie the Dog ****

** Original Cast Member

* Cast Member for 5+ years

**Lighting Design**
Robyn Joyce

**Backdrop Design**
Nina Goodale

**Stage Manager**
Erik Bowen

**Technical Director**
Andrew Pond

**Set Projections Designer**
Erik Bowen

**Stage Assistant**
Drew Angelo

**Costume Design**
Carolyn Paine, Jeffrey Kagan McCann, Michelle Howe

**PLEASE NOTE: Strobe lighting effects will be used during this performance.**

# CAST

**Cast Members**

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|---|---|
| The Tap Dancing Bum | Will Jackson |
| Clara | Kayleigh Crocetto |
| Junior | Jake Crocetto |
| Ugly Sweater Party Guests | Joseph Beltre, Tyler Brown, Norman Campbell, Jamie-Lynn Fontaine Connell, Anton Cort, Sam Flook, Will Jackson, Megan Leary, Kailah King, Carolyn Paine, Leeza Regulbuto, Freddy Rosado, Lyndsay Rysedorph, Tang Sauce, Sam Schrader, Lexi Tavares, Alex Zarlengo |
| Drosselmeyer | Henry Olivo |
| The Doll | Draya Gohagen |
| The Nutcracker | Alex Zarlengo |
| The Snowballs | Jamie-Lynn Fontaine Connell, Kayleigh Crocetto, Meghan Crocetto, Sam Flook, Megan Leary, Kailah King, Carolyn Paine, Leeza Regulbuto, Lili Rojek, Lyndsay Rysedorph, Lexi Tavares |
| The Sugar Rum | Tyler Brown |
| The Tap Dancing General | Will Jackson |
| The Club Rat | Freddy Rosado |
| The Soldierettes | Cece Jackson, Lyndsay Rysedorph, Lexi Tavares |
| Hip Hop Soldiers | Tyler Brown, Will Jackson, Tang Sauce |
| The Mice Minions | Jake Crocetto and Nic Fortenbach |
| The Spanish Spiked Hot Chocolates | Anton Cort and Tonille Watkis |
| The Jade Mar-Tea-Ni | Carolyn Paine |
| The Arabian Temptations | Norman Campbell, Sam Flook, and Megan Leary |
| The Candy Cane Twists | Joseph Beltre and Meghan Crocetto |
| The French Martinis | Elisabeth Jeffrey and Leigh Schanfein |
| The Dog | Lucie The Dog |
| The Florettes | Kailah King with Jamie-Lynn Fontaine Connell, Meghan Crocetto, Megan Leary, Leeza Regulbuto, Lili Rojek, Lyndsay Rysedorph, Lexi Tavares |

# THE NUTCRACKER SUITE & SPICY

## Act 1

**The Main Street Scene**

"Nutcracker Overture" by Duke Ellington

**The Ugly Sweater Christmas Party**

Music: "Nutcracker Rock" by Otis Grand, "Hey There Drosselmeyer" by N2K Nutcracker 2000, "The Nutcracker, Op 71a Act II" by The Invincible Czars, "Dance of the Sugar Plum" by Trance Classics

**The Nutcracker and Clara**

"Pas de Deux" by Stevan Pasero

**The Snow Ball**

Music: "The Nutcracker Waltz of the Snowflakes" by P.I. Tchaikovsky

## Act 2

**The Club of Sweet Temptations**

"Sugar Rum Cherry" by Duke Ellington

**The Sugar Rum**

"Dance of the Sugar Plum" by Dopaminex

**Swing in the Club of Sweet Temptations**

"March" by The Glenn Miller Orchestra

**Spanish Spiked Hot Chocolate**

"The Nutcracker Spanish" by The Invincible Czars

**The Jade Mar-Tea-Ni**

Tchaikovsky by Classical Philharmonie Bonn

**The Arabian Temptations**

Tchaikovsky by Royal Philharmonic Orchestra

**The Candy Cane Twists**

"Coda" by Dallas Brass Nutcracker

# THE NUTCRACKER SUITE & SPICY

## Act 2 (continued)

**The French Martinis**

"Dance of the Merlitons" by Big Band Christmas

**The Florettes**

"Dance of the Floreadores" by Duke Ellington

**The Nutcracker Battle**

"Russian Flowers Dance" by DJ Herax

**A Mad Rushing Christmas Finale**

"A Mad Russian's Christmas" by Trans Siberian Orchestra

# WHO'S WHO

## Alex Zarlengo

Alex Zarlengo is glad to be back for the 10th season as the Nutcracker, and his seconds season returning to the role following a ruptured Achilles tendon. Aside from work as a contemporary ballet dancer with CONNetic, Alex maintains a career in commercial dance. Most recently Alex completed a run of *Kinky Boots* in New York as one of Lola's Angels. Alex also was a featured dancer and part of the creative team behind "Nails, Hair, Hips, Heels" and "I Like Boys" with Broadway and Youtube star, Todrick Hall. Regional credits include *Singin' in the Rain, The Music Man, Mary Poppins, The Rocky Horror Show,* and *Hello, Dolly!* Alex has also performed two contracts as a dancer and aerialist with Norwegian Cruise Lines. He holds a degree in Neuroscience from Salve Regina University where he graduated *Magna cum laude*. Alex would like to thank his mom, Da, and Triona for their love and support. @absandcakes89 www.alexzarlengo.com

## Kayleigh Crocetto

Kayleigh Crocetto trained extensively throughout New England and is an alumni of the Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts. She attended workshops with Abby Lee Dance Company, where she had the opportunity to work with renowned choreographers such as Molly Long, James Washington, and Abby Lee Miller. In addition to many years with CONNetic Dance, Kayleigh has also worked with Ballet Theatre Company and Connecticut Ballet and with comedian Hannibal Buress as a ballerina in his "Gibberish" skit. She has taught and choreographed for competitive dancers and musicals and is very excited to have recently opened her own dance studio, Dance Central, located in Middlefield, CT. In addition to her dance career, Kayleigh is currently an Honors College student at CCSU pursuing a degree in Marketing. She would like to thank Carolyn and congratulate CONNetic Dance for 10 years which she is happy to have been part of! @kaylieghcrocetto

## Sam Flook

Samantha Flook is thrilled to once again join the cast of The Nutcracker Suite and Spicy. She hold a Bachelors Degree in Dance from Hofstra University and a minor in Fine Arts. Sam grew up training at the Academy of Dance Arts in Brookfield, Connecticut, where she is now the Director and owner.  She has had the pleasure of working with many distinguished choreographers including Doug Varone, Larry Kegwin, Robin Becker, Amy Marshall, Sonia Plumb and members of the Martha Graham company. She is ever grateful for the support of her husband, son, family and ADA family.

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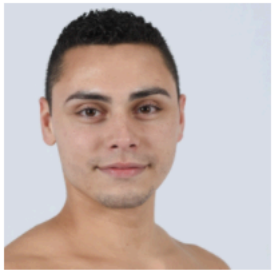

## Joseph Beltre

Born and raised in Brooklyn, NY Joseph attended Fiorello H. LaGuardia High School of Music and Art and Performing Arts and was a performance emphasis major at The Hartt School. Joseph has had the honor of working with choreographers such as Adam Barruch, Damani Pompey, Yesid Lopez, Lucy Bowen McCauley and Stephen Pier. Joseph was an apprentice with DeMa dance company in NY working renowned artists such as Sonya Tayeh from So You Think You Can Dance. He has also been a company artist with Sonia Plumb Dance and a seasonal dancer with Ballet Theatre Company. He has most recently danced for a newly premiered show “Random Acts of Flyness” on HBO. Additional professional venues include Jacob’s Pillow, Mandela The Premier at The East Harlem Repertory Theatre, Light for Peace at Shinnyo Lantern Festival, Dancing for Orlando at City Center Dance Studios, Mamma D’s at Playhouse on Park, Alwin Nikolais at Trinity College, and ACDA New England Regional Dance Conference.

## Megan Leary

Megan Leary is a recent graduate Fordham University where she studied psychology, and is currently a Post-Graduate Research Coordinator for the Neuro-Critical Care Department at Yale University. Leary began her training in her hometown, Berlin, CT, at Caroline’s Dance Center and continued her dancing education at Ballet Theatre Company in West Hartford, CT under the direction of Roman Baca. Leary has had the pleasure of professionally performing with Exit 12, Buggé Ballet, Hudson Valley Youth Ballet, Ballet Theatre Company, and CONNetic Dance. She is very grateful to be a member of this amazing cast again.

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## Meghan Crocetto

Meghan Crocetto, 16, resides with her family in Middlefield, CT and is thrilled to be part of the cast again. She currently dances at Dance Central in Middlefield where she is a member of the competition team and a teacher. She has danced in several productions with Connecticut Ballet, Ballet Theatre Company, and CONNetic Dance. In 2018, Meghan won first place at World Class Talent Experience. Meghan has also received the 2013 Rosamund Lange Award for tap and participated in the American Academy of Ballet Performance Awards where she received Gold Medals. Meghan has attended master classes with Abby Lee Miller of Lifetime's "Dance Moms." She would like to thank her sister Kayleigh for pushing her to try new things, and for always believing in her. She would also like to thank her mom and dad (and her brother Jake) for their love and support.

## Sam Schrader

Sam Schrader grew up taking voice lessons and attending musical theatre intensives at the Hartt School of Music and studied Music and Environmental Science at Vassar College. He was part of the National Tour of *The Wizard of Oz* and was at Ivoryton Playhouse playing Corny Collins in one of his favorite musicals, *Hairspray!* Yearning for new adventures, Sam moved to Santa Fe, NM, where he found a wealth of work as a singing server in a local restaurant, in choirs, and as an ensemble member in opera works. After returning to CT, Sam has been in *Mama D's* at Playhouse on Park and done several guest roles with Ballet Theatre Company including a Stepsister in Cinderella and Mother Ginger in Nutcracker. He is thrilled to take part in CONNetic Dance's production of *Suite & Spicy!*

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## Leigh Schanfein

Leigh Schanfein is a freelance dancer, choreographer, and teacher as well as an independent researcher in the fields of kinesiology and biomechanics. Leigh has trained and performed across the USA and abroad and has performed with companies such as City Ballet of San Diego, Indelible Dance, Yoo and Dancers, Benjamin Briones Ballet, Lafayette Ballet, and CONNetic Dance. She has performed in commercial productions including as part of the Oddball Comedy Tour, during Fashion Week NYC with designer Malan Breton, and for brands such as Xerox, Suave, Oreo, St Germain, and Estee Lauder. Leigh is a former Director of Dance for Periapsis Music and Dance and teaches throughout NYC regularly. She received her M.S. degree in kinesiology with a specialization in biomechanics from Purdue University, and her B.S. degree in animal physiology and neuroscience with a minor in dance from the UC San Diego. @leighschanefein

## Anton Cort

Anton is proud to return to "The Nutcracker Suite & Spicy" this season.  He is an avid Pro-Am American Rhythm dancesport competitor and has appeared in many New England area ballroom championship events during his time at Arthur Murray and, most recently, Fred Astaire. He currently dances at the Fred Astaire Dance studio in Glastonbury, CT.  is also a graduate of Wentworth Institute of Technology in Boston, MA.

## Lexi Tavares

Alexis Tavares is a dancer and visual artist who founded Love Spiral Art. She is proud to return to the stage and join the cast of Nutcracker Suite & Spicy. Growing up she was passionate about dance and competed nationwide. She has performed professionally with Boston's Urbanity Dance company and choreographed for the Northeastern University Dance Company. She is a proponent of the Ecstatic Dance movement, serves as a health and wellness coach, and is a fruitarian.

# WHO'S WHO

## Lyndsay Rysedorph

Lyndsay is excited to be returning to the cast. She began dancing at Flynn's School of Dance in Troy, NY going on to Stardom School of Dance. She was then accepted to attend a highly selective performing and visual arts high school where she majored in Modern Dance and Vocal Performance. She went on to attend Dean College where she majored in Dance with a minor in Psychology and obtained a B.A. in Psychology and an A.S in Veterinary Science. She currently works at Tufts Cummings school of Veterinary medicine as an ER/ICU Veterinary nurse (CVT) with plans to obtain her doctorate of Veterinary Medicine. As a dancer, she has performed professionally with Visceral Movement Company, for the AHL, NBA D-League, ABA and appeared in the Gang of Thieves music video "Sexy Star Circus."

## Leeza Regulbuto

Leeza studied at The Dance Academy of Somers and graduated from The Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts before going on to Roger Williams University and London Contemporary School of Dance. She currently is teaching at The Dance Academy of Somers, and Grossi Dance and Performing Arts Academy. She is so excited to be back again working with CONNetic Dance's 10th Annual Nutcracker Suite and Spicy!

## Tyler Brown

Tyler “Party Pat” Brown, originally from the Hartford area, has trained in multiple styles of hip hop (house, breaking, locking, popping etc) and technique since childhood and studied at the Greater Hartford Arts Academy. He has performed in a multitude of large venues from BAM’s Dance Africa to Jacob’s Pillow. He has also performed and choreographed for Studio 860 and Ballet Theatre Company. Tyler is proud to share his artistry with the world and continues to teach including at Studio 860. He is thrilled to be returning to the cast. @pk.sadboy

# WHO'S WHO

## Tonille Watkis

Tonille Simone Watkis is the former Miss Black USA 2016 and Miss Jamaica Supranational 2018. She has a BFA in Theatre from Adelphi University and a Diploma in Classical Acting from the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art. Her past stage credits include: The Merry Wives of Windsor, The Color Purple, her original solo play, No Boxes Allowed, among others. She studied dance at Jane Hart School of Dance, the Artist Collective and Arthur Murray Dance Center of Bloomfield. She thanks Carolyn For bringing her on board and Anton for not giving up after the many times she forgot the choreography and stepped on his feet! @tonillewatkis

## Will Jackson

Will is a professional dancer from Hartford, CT. Specializing in Hip Hop and Tap, William started dancing at Northstar Dance Academy before studying at the Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts. He has been a long-time member and Tap Choreographer for CONNetic Dance and has also performed with Boston Tap Company's Rhythm in the Night, with Corey Hutchin's CT Tap and with DFX Entertainment at Foxwoods and touring with "Echoes of Sinatra." He also toured nationally with "The Ultimate Michael Jackson Experience" (UMX) starring Joby Rogers and internationally with the Barrow Company "Riverdance" tour. "Hiphop from the Heart, Tap from the Soul." @hoofer93

# WHO'S WHO

## Norman Campbell

Norman Campbell is a Hartford native and studied at The Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts and University of Hartford as a Dance Major. Norman has taught dance classes at schools throughout the city including, sharing his passion and knowledge for dance. Norman has danced as a Principal with BalletRox in Boston, MA for their “Urban Nutcracker,” with the Albano Ballet Company of America, and Spectrum in Motion. Outside the studio, Norman is very active in his church and is currently studying to be a minister. Norman is no stranger to CONNetic Dance as he is a founding member of the company. He is excited to be back in The Nutcracker for the 10th season and as the Outreach Coordinator and Rehearsal Master for the company.

## Jamie-Lynn Fontaine Connell

Jamie-Lynn Fontaine Connell graduated with a B.A. in Theater & Dance from Trinity College. She has performed at the American College Dance Festival, Built on Stilts Dance Festival, 5x5 Dance Festival, Ted Hershey Dance Marathon, and with the Judy Dworin Performance Project. She has also performed with the Manchester Musical Players and at Playhouse on Park. She is a graduate of the Dance Masters of America Teacher Training School, a RYT 200 hr certified yoga instructor through Lotus Gardens Yoga School, an AFAA Certified Group Exercise Instructor, and a NASM Certified Personal Trainer. Jamie-Lynn currently teaches at Glastonbury Dance Center and is delighted to have been dancing with CONNetic Dance since 2009. She is one of the original dancers to have performed Nutcracker Suite & Spicy, and is thrilled to still be involved for its 10th anniversary!

## Freddy Rosado

Freddy Rosado is thrilled to be again returnign to the cast of Nutcracker Suite & Spicy where he originated the role of "The Club Rat." He is a Hartford native who trained at the Greater Hartford Arts Academy. He performed extensively throughout the area and has toured nationally with "The Ultimate Michael Jackson Experience" (UMX) starring Joby Rogers and is the founder of Legacy Entertainment which provides professional performances and opportunities for youth of all backgrounds in dance. @legacy_ent860

# WHO'S WHO

## Elisabeth Jeffrey

Elisabeth Jeffrey started her classical training in Minnesota before going to Joffrey Ballet School on scholarship. She also studied at American Ballet Theater, Houston Ballet School, Washington Ballet School, and Royal Ballet School of Covent Garden. She has performed with Arts Umbrella Dance Company in Vancouver, Canada, and Peter Pucci Plus Dancers at City Center, in NYC. She is currently freelancing in NYC and a company member of Thomas Ortiz Dance, and Rehearsal Director and dancer for Periapsis Music & Dance and recently performed with Island Moving Company in Newport, RI. She has previously danced for Benjamin Briones Ballet, Emotions Physical Theatre, AS Live Arts and independent choreographers Norbert De La Cruz III, Leigh Schanfein and Annalee Traylor, and Barry Kerollis. Elisabeth is so happy to be a returning cast member, and to perform in the 10th anniversary! @elisa.jeffrey www.elisabethjeffrey.com

## Kailah King

Kailah King is a dancer from Hartford, CT where she was born and raised. She began her training at the Hartt School Community Division and went on to study at Boston Ballet, Ballet Met, the Cecchetti International Ballet. Kailah was also an invited scholarship student to Dance Theater of Harlem's professional training program. Kailah has performed professionally and toured with TNMOT AZTRO. She is happy to again return to CONNetic Dance and the cast of Nutcracker. @kailah.king

## Tang Sauce

Tang was born and raised in Hartford, CT. He is a locally popular music artist and has done productions including "Afropunk Battle of the Bands", "Under the Curtain: A Hip- Hop cultural exchange between Russia and USA", and WNPR's "Where We Live" show. He has hosted the Trinity International Hip Hop Festival, has his own Pandora station, and has been featured on the cover of CTNOW and Hartford Magazine as a young artist to watch. Tang brings various Hip-Hop flows with a cultured perspective, with which he spreads peace, love, and positivity. Thanks for supporting CONNetic Dance. @bangdollatang

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## Henry Olivo

Henry Olivo was born in Fort Lauderdale, FL. He studied Tae Kwon Do earning his black belt and discovered hip hop in junior high school. He gradually transferred his love of movement from Tae Kwon Do to hip hop. Henry joined the Connecticut crew United Outkasts in 2012 and later formed his own hip hop crew, Defconn. He has also performed for three seasons as a company member with contemporary fusion company Dimensional Dance under the direction of Ruth Lewis. @savagehenry5

## Lili Rojek

Lilianne Rojek, 14, is currently a dance student at Premier Dance School. This is Lili's ninth Nutcracker and her fourteenth time performing with CONNetic Dance. With Bristow Players, Lili has performed in "Fiddler on the Roof Jr" "Legally Blonde" and "Once on This Island" and was in "The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe" with Pearwater Prod. She made her film debut in Todd Haynes' "Wonderstruck". She also enjoys tudying piano, clarinet, and traveling. Lili would like to congratulate Carolyn Paine and her Suite and Spicy family on the 10th anniversary.

## Cece Jackson

Cece Jackson, 16, is from Hartford, CT and is currently a student at the Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts where she majors in Dance. Cece started dancing at Northstar Dance Academy and with her Rhythm Tap teacher/mentor Corey Hutchins. Cece joined the Competition Team at Northstar Dance Academy, competing and receiving many High Score Awards. Cece enjoys developing her technique taking Master Tap classes from teachers like Dianne " Lady Di" Walker, Maurice Hines, and Michela Marino Lerman. She is beyond excited to return to the cast alongside her brother, Will, and would like to thank Carolyn Paine for this amazing opportunity.

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## Jake Crocetto

Jake Crocetto, 11, resides with his family in Middlefield. This is Jake's sixth year performing on stage in the Nutcracker Suite & Spicy and he loves it. He currently takes HipHop and Acro classes at Dance Central in Middlefield where he is part of the competitive dance team. Jake also plays premier soccer, golf, basketball, plays piano, runs with "Go Far Go Fast" and is a mentor for Unified Sports at his school. Jake is the real little brother of Kayleigh ("Clara") and Meghan ("Candy Cane"). Jake enjoys spending time with his family, friends and dogs. He would like to thank his sisters, Kayleigh and Meghan, for supporting him in his role on stage along with his Mom and Dad. He would also like to thank Carolyn Paine for inviting him back on stage!

## Draya Gohagan

Draya Gohagon, 9, is from Rockfall. After watching from the audience for the past few years, she is excited to take the stage with CONNectic Dance for the first time. Draya currently studies ballet, tap, jazz, lyrical, hip hop, and acrobatics at Dance Central in Middlefield and dances on their competitive team. She has won the *Perfect Potential* award from World Class Talent Dance Competition, and the *Great Lines* award from the Starbound National Dance Competition. Draya plays the clarinet and loves spending time with her friends and family. She is excited to perform with her dance teachers and grateful to Director Carolyn Paine for giving her this opportunity.

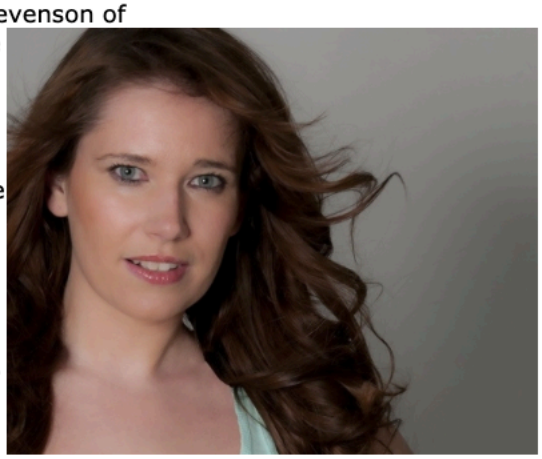
## Nic Fortenbach

Nicholas Fortenbach, 15, is from Tolland. He is a member of the Limitless Dance Team and Studio 860 Junior Co. Dance Team. He was a member of the Hartford Yard Goats dance team for the last two years and has performed at Disney World, Harlem Globetrotter halftime shows, Mohegan Sun Halftime show, and in the Trinity Hip hop Festival, as well as competing in several dance competitions. He was a cast member this past summer in Breakdancing Shakespeare at Hartford Stage. This is his first year with Nutcracker Suite and Spicy and he is very excited to join the cast.

# WHO'S WHO

**DIRECTOR**

**Carolyn Paine** is a nativeof Boston, MA where she began her training at BostonBallet and danced featured professional children's roles in such productions as "The Nutcracker" and "Cinderella" set by Ben Stevenson of Houston Ballet. Carolyn also studied at The Rock School of Pennsylvania Ballet and completedthe certificate program and performed at the Academie de Danse Classique de Princesse Grace in Monaco working with Nureyev's mentor and dance legend Marika Bresobrasova She also completed the professional certificate program at the Ecole Superiuer de Danse de Canne as wellas studying with Jose Mateo at Ballet Theatre of Boston where she performed roles created for her by Mr. Mateo with the professional company. She has performed professionally with Hartford's Ballet Theatre Company under the direction of Richard Steinert as well as in New York City working with reknowned choreographers like Dwight Rhoden of Complexions Contemporary Ballet. She performed as a soloist with Ballet Rox in Boston, MA under the direction of Tony Williams dancing the principal classical Sugar Plum as well as jazz pas de deuxs in his popular "Urban Nutcracker." Carolyn worked with Yvonne Rainer in her "RoS Indexical" at the International Dance Festival at Yale Rep in New Haven. She has performed at Lincoln Center as part of Buglisi Dance Theatre's Table of Silence Project for the 9/11 anniversary and was featured in a dance photograph in Italian Vogue by artist Melissa Robin. She has performed as a dancer for ABC's New Year's Rockin' Eve, toured internationally with The Lady Gaga Experience, and danced with pop stars in China as part of the Summer Love Festival. She has choreographed and created innovative works for her company CONNetic Dance, for national commercials, films, and music videos as well as for stage in regional productions and for comedian Hannibal Burress. In addition to her dancing career, Carolyn holds a BA in Theatre and Art History from University of Hartford and is an actress and comedian on stage, television, and national commercials and has performed Off Broadway in NYC. She has appeared on TV on shows including Unfaithful on Oprah Network and Law and Order: SVU on NBC and most recently as a comedian in promos on HBO. She did a residency in sketch comedy and writing at the famed Second City in Chicago and loves getting to combine her love for comedy and dance in experiences like performing in The Oddball Comedy Tour and working with comedian Hannibal Buress as well as in her own comedy film and sketch work. She recently won an award at the International Comedy Festival in California for her musical comedy short she wrote, directed, and starred in. Her most recent dance film, "Pulling" which looks at domestic violence was hailed as "dynamic and heartwrenching" by The Wonderful World of Dance.



Additionally, Carolyn can be heard as a regular panelist on The Nose on WNPR with Colin McEnroe. She has been featured in Dance Informa Magazine, Medium Magazine, and on the cover of Hartford Magazine as one of the top young artists to watch in CT.

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# THE ART OF SUITE & SPICY

**Backdrop/Production Art Designer**

**Nina Goodale** is a visual artist/interior designer whose style mixes minimalist aesthetics to communicate complex relationships. She has worked extensively with Carolyn Paineand CONNetic Dance, providing set designs for numerous past productions including an inventive creation in collaboration with the Wadsworth Atheneum as part of their 2015 Coney Island exhibit. Originally gaining recognition out of her studio on Hartford, she now works as the Public Arts and Placemaking Coordinator for the City of Virginia Beach, where she continues building on her experience at the intersection of art, culture, and community engagement. Her roles have ranged from working with schools and museums, advising businesses of all scales, and establishing programs that connected neighborhoods around key initiatives ranging from violence reduction to economic development. Her two favorite past times are being inspired everyday by her three daughters, and taking her goodest boy, Logan, for long hikes.

Photo from Nina Salazar's collaboration with Choreographer Carolyn Paine for 2015's "Coney Island" at the Wadsworth Athneum in 2015.

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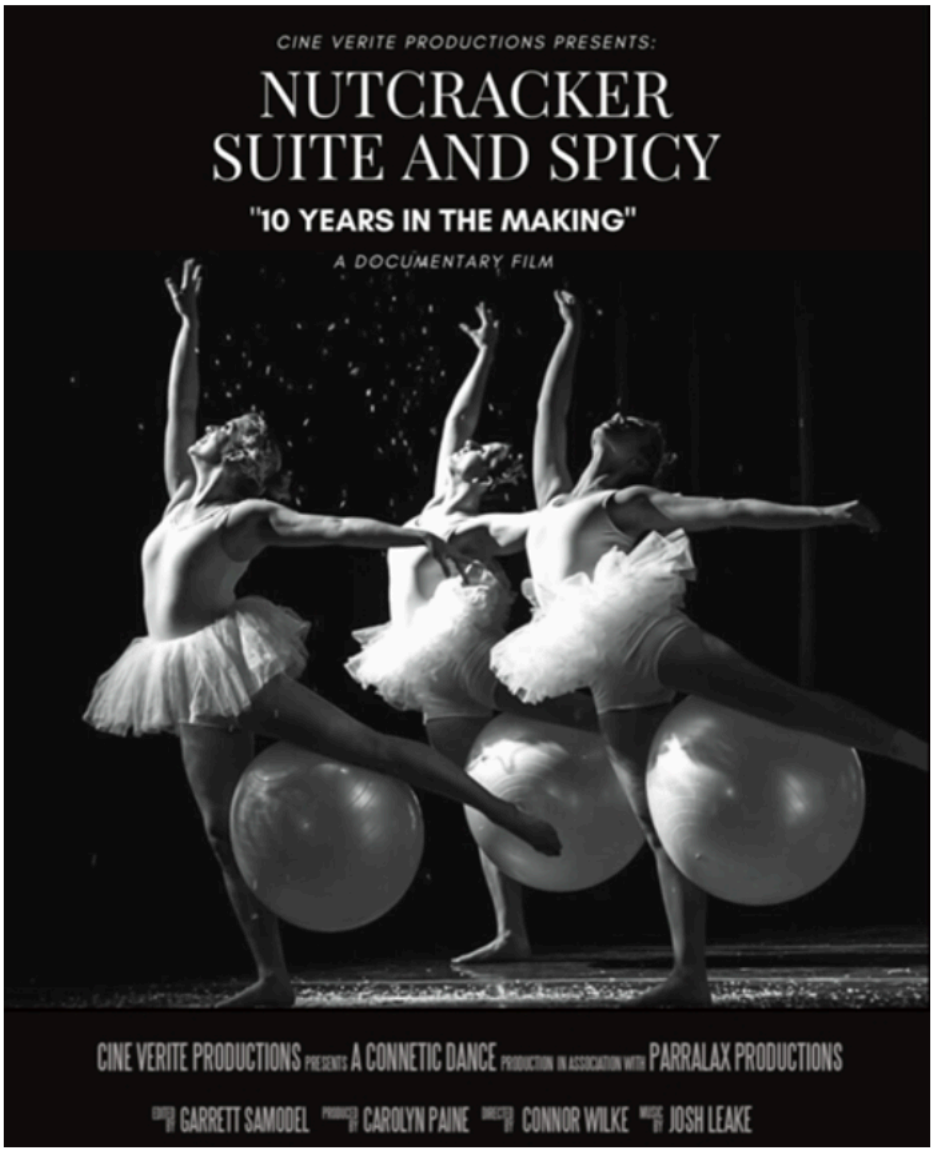


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