

Arts & Entertainment



Tickets On Sale October 15th For Northern Ballet Theatre's Production of *The Nutcracker*

Saturday December 17th and Sunday 18th, 2:00pm, Keefe Auditorium, Elm St. Nashua, NH

Northern Ballet Theatre will once again perform its original production of the Nutcracker. Last performed in 2006 The Nutcracker had evolved into New Hampshire's very own holiday tradition. Critics hailed this production as thoroughly entertaining with stellar performances by both guest artists and company artists.

The Nutcracker story is performed true to tradition and it is easy to follow the journey of Clara as she travels from the magical merriment of Christmas joy to a fantasy world of mystical characters that entertain and dazzle her

senses. Come and enjoy the quality of the dance, the beautiful sets, costumes and the overall artistry of the performance that makes Northern Ballet Theatre's Nutcracker the preferred choice in this area for this enchanting holiday offering.

Ticket prices range from \$18.00 to \$22.00, Visa and MasterCard accepted. Tickets can be purchased for the Nashua performance by calling 603-889-8408, a 10% discount will be offered for all Nashua performances if purchased before November 5th. Our website is www.nbtcd.com

Craftworkers' Guild "Open Doors" Craft Shop, November 5th and 6th

BEDFORD – Open daily 10am - 4pm. Free admission and parking. Many new & veteran juried member artisans participating in the seasonal shop located in the historic Kendall House, 5 Meetinghouse Road

off Route 101 in Bedford behind the Bedford Library. For additional information, please contact the Guild at craftworkersguild@gmail.com or visit our website: www.thecraftworkersguild.org

The Nashua Symphony Orchestra & Chorus Feature New England Talent As They Debut The Ground-Breaking Sea Symphony

NASHUA – On November 19th the Nashua Symphony Orchestra & Chorus will perform Ralph Vaughan Williams' revolutionary work *A Sea Symphony* in its New Hampshire debut. With few fullscale choral symphonic predecessors, this magnificent piece ushered in a new era in English composition when it premiered in 1909.

Music Director Jonathan McPhee is excited to bring *A Sea Symphony* to New Hampshire, remarking that the piece "broke new ground with a sound and scale that is optimistic. Inspired by the power and majesty of the ocean that surrounds the tiny island, it speaks to the very roots of the English soul."

This concert will feature two fantastic New England soloists. Powerful and dramatic soprano Michelle Trainor has performed with Boston Lyric Opera, Boston Ballet, Landmarks Orchestra and the Nashua Symphony in last season's stellar performance of Mahler's 8th Symphony. Maine's Aaron Engebret has performed all over the Boston area and has been featured on two Grammy-nominated recordings. Jonathan McPhee notes that he is "truly one of New England's finest baritones. And these two voices are perfectly suited to this style of music. I am thrilled to be able to bring our audience a taste of a typical 'Night at the Proms' London-style!"



Michelle Trainor, Soprano

Saturday, November 19, 8:00 pm

Of Hope & Glory

Vaughan Williams - *A Sea Symphony*
Butterworth - *A Shropshire Lad*
Jonathan McPhee, Music Director & Principal Conductor; Michelle Trainor, Soprano; Aaron Engebret, Baritone
Keefe Auditorium, Nashua

Ticket Information

Tickets from \$12 to \$48. Available online at www.NashuaSymphony.org or by calling 603.595.9156. Student and group discounts are available.

Actorsingers Present Beloved Classic, "The Sound of Music"

NASHUA – The award winning Actorsingers open their 57th main stage season with Rodgers & Hammerstein's beloved classic, "The Sound of Music" November 11-13 at the Keefe Auditorium in Nashua. This family musical features a multigenerational cast, from Anne Harvey who also appeared in the 1984 and 1997 Actorsingers' productions of this show, to five year old Caitlin Hilterman, who is making her stage debut as Gretl von Trapp. The last young actress to play this role for Actorsingers, Alexandra Socha, went on to play the lead in the Tony award winning Broadway production of "Spring Awakening" while still in her teens and can currently be seen on the hit Showtime comedy "The Big C" in the role of Mia. Alexandra is just one of a number of young Actorsingers who have gone on to roles on Broadway.

This production of "The Sound of Music" holds special significance for several area families. Choreographer Martha Holland was pregnant when she auditioned for the 1997 Actorsingers production of Sound of Music, she showed up at the first rehearsal with son Andrew in a baby carrier. Thirteen years later, Andrew is waltzing in the party scene as part of the ensemble. Cast members Cindy and Jon Fisher met during a production of Sound of Music, at their wedding they marched down the aisle to the same music heard at the wedding of Maria and the Captain. They first joined Actorsingers for the 1997 production of this show. They are joined in this cast by their daughter Katrina, a senior at Nashua High North, who is



The cast includes Actorsingers newcomer Sarah Reese Souter of Bedford as Maria, and Erik Duchesne of Milford as Captain von Trapp. The von Trapp children are played by Bailie de Lacy and Maddie Kuchta from Hollis, Nashua residents Ben Gorelick and Kelly Frasca, Sammy O'Neil from Merrimack, Cayden Plummer from Brookline and Caitlin Hilterman from Tyngsboro.

playing a nun along with her mom. This is a chance for the whole family to do a show together before Katrina goes off to college next year.

The show is directed by Joe Vago of Londonderry and husband and wife team Jed and Martha Holland of Nashua are the music director

and choreographer.

Showtimes are 8 p.m. on November 11 and 12 and 2 p.m. on November 13 at the Keefe Auditorium, 117 Elm Street, Nashua. Tickets are \$18-\$20 and can be purchased on the Actorsingers website www.actorsingers.org or by calling 320-

1870. Season subscriptions are also available. See both "The Sound of Music" and The Actorsingers' spring production of "Chicago" for \$30 - a 25% savings off the regular ticket price.

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