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Inland Pacific Ballet Offers FREE Nutcracker Tickets To Military Families

In keeping with the true spirit of giving during the holiday season, Inland Pacific Ballet is providing 500 complimentary tickets for its production of *The Nutcracker* to active southern California military families. Four tickets per family are available on a first come, first served basis at the box office at Bridges Auditorium for performances on December 18 and 19 while supplies last. Current military identification is required. Reservations must be made 24 hours prior to performance.

“The past couple of years have been tough for everyone, but that can’t compare to what its like for a family with a loved one in the military who is away for long periods of time,” stated Kevin Meyers, Associate Director of IPB. “Bridges Auditorium is a large, beautiful theater and we’re hoping to bring some holiday joy to the people who protect the freedom we have to do what we do.”

Celebrating its sixteenth season, IPB will present its final five performances of *The Nutcracker* next week at at the Lewis Family Playhouse in Rancho Cucamonga on Thursday, Dec. 16 and Friday, Dec. 17., and Bridges Auditorium in Claremont on Dec. 18 and 19. As a special treat, cast members are available after each show for photographs and autographs.

Founded in 1994 by Victoria Koenig and Kevin Myers, Inland Pacific Ballet has become one of Southern California’s cultural jewels and the region's most prominent professional company, producing exquisitely-staged productions of full-length classic story ballets as well as the best in contemporary choreography.

Tickets for all performances and information are available online at thebestnutcracker.com. Weekend performances are at Bridges Auditorium, which is located on the Pomona College campus at 450 N. College Way, Claremont, CA 91711. Tickets are also available through the Box Office at 909-607-1139. The Lewis Family Playhouse is located in the Victoria Gardens Center at 12505 Cultural Center Way, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91739. Tickets for the Thursday and Friday performance are available through the Lewis Family Playhouse Box Office at 909-477-2725, Mon. through Fri. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sat. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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