



THE NEWBERRY

FREE PUBLIC PROGRAM

Christmas at the Fair

The Joffrey's New *Nutcracker*

Tuesday, December 4, 2018
6 to 7:30 pm

Travel to the 1893 World's Fair through a special conversation on The Joffrey Ballet's 2018 production of *The Nutcracker*, set during the Columbian Exposition in Chicago.

Choreographed by Christopher Wheeldon, Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky's *Nutcracker* runs December 1-30, 2018, at the Joffrey Ballet in Chicago. In this production, magic is on the horizon for young Marie and her mother, a sculptress creating the iconic Statue of the Republic. As they prepare for their annual holiday celebration, a visit from the charming but mysterious Great Impresario sets off a Christmas Eve dream of whirlwind romance and adventure. Wheeldon's *Nutcracker* boldly re-imagines this enduring classic for a new generation.



Alison Hinderliter is the Interim Curator of Modern Manuscripts and Selector for Modern Music at the Newberry.

Hedy Weiss is a longtime Chicago theater, dance, and classical music critic.

Ashley Wheeler joined the Joffrey in 1985 as a performer, and was appointed Artistic Director in 2007.

This event is part of our programming in connection with the exhibition ***Pictures from an Exposition: Visualizing the 1893 World's Fair***. See it from September 28 to December 31, 2018, at the Newberry.

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