

Clintonians to perform in *Nutcracker*

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Three young Clintonians will be among Ballet Mississippi dancers who will bring E.T.A Hoffman's classic holiday story *The Nutcracker and the Mouse King* to life this December with the annual Ballet Mississippi holiday performance of *The Nutcracker*. Lily Orme, Hayden Rogers and Jordan Ann Winborne of Clinton are all participating, with Winborne playing the leading role of Marie.

Dazzling for young and old alike with sets, costumes, music and dancing, the performance has become a Mississippi tradition. The 2018 *Nutcracker* guest artists will be USA International Ballet Competition medalists Joseph Phillips and Katherine Barkman, who will perform the roles of the Sugarplum Fairy and Cavalier.

Performances will be held December 7 at 7:30 p.m., and December 8 and 9 at 3 p.m. at Thalia Mara Hall in Jackson. The Friday, December 7, performance is "Ballet, Blue Jeans, and Beer" night, where patrons are invited to dress in casual attire



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Clintonians Lily Orme (front), Hayden Rogers (back left) and Jordan Ann Winborne (back right) will be among Ballet Mississippi dancers from Clinton presenting *The Nutcracker* from December 7-9 at Thalia Mara Hall in Jackson.

and enjoy jazz music pre-performance, complementary hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Tick-

et prices for performances range from \$13 to \$36 and may be purchased at the door or online at

www.balletms.com.

For more information on the performance, call 601-960-1560.

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Families overwhelmed by Clinton community's generosity

Eight days after the fire, a family came into the 4 C's. When Lawson asked what they needed, the mother responded that they actually had most everything they needed.

"Then she teared up," Lawson said. The family shared with Lawson what happened in those eight days since the fire: all week long, items were brought to the apartment complex and given directly to the families, some

from family and friends, but also many things from strangers.

"I've just never seen anything like this – the outpouring of the efforts from people," the lady said to Lawson.

Donations of everything – furniture, food, household items, small appliances, money, gift certificates and more – all things necessary for a home – have been pouring in. There have

been so many items that the 4 C's has had to move items to their thrift store because they ran out of storage space.

Lawson said that all families with losses from the fire just need to come to the 4 C's if they need anything.

"Residents will be given stuff for free," she promised.

Although the families have moved to another unit, the children are still on Santa's list, and they can be assured

that he knows where to find them.

EDITOR'S NOTE: This story was originally conceived as a way to let people know what they can do to help the eight families that lost everything in the November 18 Hunter Oaks fire. However, because of the overwhelming generosity this community always exhibits in times of need, only prayers are currently necessary. #thankfulforClintonians

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