

BALLET SAN JOSE

PRESS RELEASE

SPECIAL EVENT: Nutcracker Black Tie Ball

Presented by Gentry Magazine to benefit Ballet San Jose

DATE: Thursday, December 14, 2006

LOCATION: San Jose Museum of Art

TICKET PRICE: \$225 per adult, \$125 per child. Price includes the event and a premium seat for the ballet performance at 7:30pm.

Mail Orders (checks only)

Ballet San Jose

40 North First Street

San Jose, CA 95113

Attn: Marge Hand.

EVENT INFORMATION:

Be among the first to attend this elegant new holiday tradition in San Jose—the kick-off to the Opening Night of Dennis Nahat's THE NUTCRACKER. The event will take place at San Jose Museum of Art just blocks from the theatre. Guests will arrive to an elegant atmosphere of music and holiday décor. They will be treated to a lavish cocktail party with supper-by-the-bite presentations and luscious dessert displays from some of Silicon Valley's top chefs. Holiday music and carolers will put guests in the "Nutcracker" spirit. Gentry Magazine has arranged for limousines to whisk guests to the Center for the Performing Arts for a spectacular evening of Ballet. *For more information, please call (408) 288-2820, extension 204.*

PARTICIPATING RESTAURANTS INCLUDE: Citrus at Santana Row's Hotel Valencia, Silver Creek Country Club, Dio Deka of Los Gatos, Caviar Butler of Redwood City, Fairmont San Jose, Santana Row's Yankee Pier, Park Place Restaurant, the Executive Chef from University Electric Culinary Center in Santa Clara, Wine Cellar of Los Gatos, Left Bank from Santana Row, Bistro 35 of Los Gatos and Executive Chef Charles Lewis.

WINERY: Clos la Chance will be pouring complimentary wines. There will be a no-host bar for cocktails.

ENTERTAINMENT: Peninsula Youth Theatre's Dickens Carolers will stroll through the party singing favorite Christmas Carols. A string quartet will play in the main lobby. Models will be wearing a spectacular collection of jewels from Cartier. The famed Cartier pages will act as doormen at the event, and gift bags will be from Cartier, Palo Alto.

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BALL COMMITTEE: Shellie Fry, Anita Del Grande, Sherri Dohemann, Susan Lucas, Dawn Niederman, Marie Lopresto, Sydene Kober