The Hartt School Community Division Dance Department Presents

Tchaikovsky’s *The Nutcracker*

*The Magical Holiday Tradition Returns to the University of Hartford*

WEST HARTFORD, Conn.— The Hartt School Community Division’s (HCD) annual production of *The Nutcracker* returns to the University of Hartford this December with guest artists Denise Parungao and Joseph Phillips.

Ms. Parungao is principal dancer of Ballet Philippines, where she received her training and rose through the ranks of the company. She has received awards at several international competitions and has danced many of the lead rôles of the classical repertoire.

Joseph Phillips is touted as the “golden boy of ballet,” having won more gold medals in international ballet competitions than any other male American danseur. He has danced principal rôles with American Ballet Theatre, Miami City Ballet, San Francisco Ballet, and the Mariinsky Theater. Since 2013 he has been principal danseur with Primorsky Stage in Vladivostok, Russia. Our guest artists will dance in all four performances of the ballet.

Performances are held in the newly renovated Alfred C. Fuller Music Center’s Millard Auditorium at the University of Hartford, 200 Bloomfield Avenue, West Hartford.

Tickets go on sale Tuesday, November 6, 2018. Admission is $30 for adults, $20 seniors, and $15 for children 12 and under. Please call the University Box Office at 860.768.4228 or 800.274.8587 or visit hartford.edu/tickets to purchase tickets. Contact the dance office at 860.768.6000 for more information.

**Nutcracker Performances:**

- Friday, December 14, at 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, December 15, at 2 p.m.
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- Sunday, December 16, at 2 p.m.
Denise Parungao *(courtesy of Ballet Philippines)*

& Joseph Phillips