

News Release

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS AT MANDARIN ORIENTAL, BOSTON

"The Nutcracker Experience" Festive Suite, Holiday Stay Offer, Pop Up Bar, Live Music and
More

HONG KONG, 3 September 2025 - This holiday season, <u>Mandarin Oriental</u>, <u>Boston</u> invites guests to experience the wonder of winter through a thoughtfully curated series of festive offerings designed to enchant and inspire. From bespoke stay packages and seasonal culinary experiences to live entertainment and imaginative décour, the hotel's holiday programming blends timeless traditions with artistic expression, signature service, and warm hospitality.

At the heart of the celebration is **The Nutcracker Experience**, an exclusive collaboration with Boston Ballet in honour of its iconic production of Mikko Nissinen's The Nutcracker, returning to the Citizens Opera House on 28 November. As the official Hotel Partner, Mandarin Oriental, Boston reinterprets the beloved storey through immersive design, curated amenities, and exclusive access for hotel guests, bringing the spirit of the ballet to life in elegant and unexpected ways.

"Our vision for the holidays is to create meaningful, memorable experiences that reflect the spirit of the season and the cultural richness of Boston," said Markus Lindner, General Manager, Mandarin Oriental, Boston. "The Nutcracker Experience is a tribute to craft, imagination, and the joy of celebration, a reflection of everything we hold dear."

A Nutcracker Inspired Holiday Transformation

From 17 November through New Year's Day, the hotel lobby will be transformed into a whimsical holiday scene inspired by The Nutcracker, envisioned by acclaimed Boston based event designer David DiCicco. A grand holiday tree, reminiscent of the ballet's magical growing tree, anchors the space, complemented by sparkling décor, seasonal lighting, and the welcoming glow of a fireplace. Guests and visitors alike are invited to enjoy the atmosphere, complete with live music and a Nutcracker themed holiday bar serving festive cocktails and small plates.

The Nutcracker Experience: Holiday Stay Offer

Mandarin Oriental, Boston's Nutcracker Experience Stay package offers guests the opportunity to immerse themselves in the magic of the ballet. The package includes overnight accommodations, premium seating in the Queen's Box at Citizens Opera House, and access to the exclusive VIP lounge for pre-performance and intermission refreshments.

In room, guests are welcomed with festive delights, including a Nutcracker inspired cake, signature chocolate mice from Boston's own L.A. Burdick, a nod to the ballet's Mouse King, and a keepsake glass snow globe featuring *The Nutcracker* by Boston Ballet. Each

element is designed to extend the experience beyond the theatre and into every detail of the stay.

The Nutcracker Experience: Holiday Presidential Suite

A seasonal highlight, the hotel's 1,715 square foot Presidential Suite is reimagined into a Nutcracker themed retreat, an elegant, theatrical environment that celebrates the artistry and magic of the ballet. Curated in partnership with Boston Ballet and DiCicco Design, the suite brings scenes from the production to life through bespoke décour and layered storytelling.

Guests are welcomed to the suite by the sounds of Tchaikovsky's iconic score. Design details reflect key moments from the ballet: soft pastels from the Waltz of the Flowers, icy silvers from the Snow Scene, and deep crimson, gold, and jewel tones inspired by the Nutcracker himself.

The primary bedroom is styled after Clara's dreamscape, with plum Chinoiserie wallpaper, sugarplum accents, and a holiday tree adorned with miniature pointe shoes and ballet ornaments.

The suite also features a 10-seat dining table for private holiday meals and a spa-like en suite bathroom that evokes the shimmering stillness of a snowy forest. Original sketches by set and costume designer Robert Perdziola and whimsical details like an oversized teddy bear nod to the production's imaginative spirit.

Available for overnight stays and private events from 17 November through 1 January, the suite can accommodate:

- Seated dinners for up to 20 quests
- Cocktail receptions for up to 50
- Private afternoon tea service for up to 20

Festive Events and Culinary Highlights

Nutcracker Holiday Bar and Live Music

Fridays and Saturdays in December (5-6, 12-13 and 19-20 December) and on New Year's Eve, guests can enjoy live performances from Berklee College of Music students in the Lobby Lounge from 16:00 to 19:00, alongside Nutcracker inspired cocktails, champagne, and caviar.

Nutcracker Cake and Tea Service

On Sundays, 7, 14 and 21 December, the Lobby Lounge will host a festive tea in partnership with luxury tea purveyor TeaLeaves.

Guests will enjoy decorative mini cakes and speciality blends, The Nutcracker Blend and The Sugar Plum Blend, served fireside, surrounded by the ambience of the season.

For more information on Mandarin Oriental, Boston visit www.mandarinoriental.com/boston. To book The Nutcracker Suite, please email **mobossales@mohg.com**.

About Mandarin Oriental, Boston

The luxurious <u>Mandarin Oriental</u>, <u>Boston</u> combines classic New England elegance with refined Oriental touches to create one of the most distinctive hospitality experiences in

the region. Awarded Forbes Five-Stars, AAA Five Diamonds, and a Michelin Key, Mandarin Oriental, Boston features <u>148 guestrooms</u> and suites over 14 floors, delighting its guests with the finest facilities and service, innovative dining experiences and a holistic <u>Five-Star spa.</u> A short, 15-minute drive to Logan International Airport, Mandarin Oriental, Boston connects guests to the city's finest shopping, cultural venues and business institutions from its prime location in the heart of the chic Back Bay on Boylston Street.

About Boston Ballet

Since 1963, <u>Boston Ballet's</u> internationally acclaimed performances of classical, neoclassical, and contemporary ballets, combined with a dedication to world-class dance education and community engagement, have made the institution a leader in its field, with a 62-year history of promoting excellence and access to dance.

Under the leadership of Artistic Director Mikko Nissinen and Executive Director Ming Min Hui, the Company, made up of 68 dancers and 14 nationalities, performs a diverse and acclaimed repertoire ranging from full-length classical ballets to masterworks by George Balanchine, and new works and world premieres by today's finest contemporary choreographers.

The Company performs its full Boston season of six programmes at the historic, 2,500-seat Citizens Opera House. Under Mikko Nissinen's directorship, Boston Ballet's national and international touring engagements have included Paris, New York City's Lincoln Center, Washington DC's Kennedy Center, London Coliseum, Helsinki, Spain, Ottawa's National Arts Center, and Seoul, Korea.

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