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***The Little Dancer* – OMC 6th grader Taylor Delli Carpini
to perform Off-Broadway**

New York, NY – *The Little Dancer*, written by Steven Fisher, will have its world premiere on Saturday December 1st at 11am and 1pm at Theatre 71 at Blessed Sacrament (152 W. 71st Street, 10023, right off Broadway). It will run every Saturday and Sunday in December at 11:00am and 1:00pm. From December 26th to December 31st it will run every day at 11am and 1:00pm.

The cast includes 5 professional actors, as well as Taylor and 33 other theatrically talented singers selected by audition from the ranks of the Garden State Girlchoir, the Keystone State Boychoir, the New Jersey Boychoir, and the Pennsylvania Girlchoir. These young musical theatre thespians have been participating in a weekly workshop with Broadway veterans Richard Vida and Lainie Sakakura in Philadelphia. They are beyond thrilled to be making their professional NYC debut.

The Little Dancer is a holiday family musical that tells the heart-warming story of the most famous dancer in the world – the fourteen-year-old girl, Marie Van Goethem, who served as the model for Edgar Degas' one and only sculpture.

“Marie’s real life story – what is known of it – is quite dark,” says Fisher. “The life of a ballerina was never easy, but in late 19th century Paris it was downright hard. My musical take is certainly true to the story, but it’s tone is deliberately sunny. It is an uplifting story because of Marie’s courage.”

This 55-minute holiday show has it all – a delightful story, singing, dancing, art, all wrapped into one hour of theatrical magic. Kids, parents and grandparents will leave the theatre humming catchy, toe tapping tunes and filled with the spirit of season.

Tickets can be purchased at <https://www.thelittledancermusical.org/>

Packages – including transportation to/from Philadelphia and a ticket – are also available on some dates.