

NUTCRACKER AUDITION 2024

Welcome to the Dance Annex Studio's auditions for its 8th annual production of "The Nutcracker"!

FAMILIES: Please make sure you have read all information and understand the commitment to all rehearsals and shows before auditioning.

- Students must be at least 7 years old to audition.
- Pre-registration required. Email: thedanceannexstudio@gmail.com, or sign up at the studio.
- There is no fee to audition.
- Participation and Involvement fee: \$90 due by dancer's first rehearsal.
- All youth dancers must be taking at least 1 ballet preferred class per week at a studio.
- All company, advanced and intermediate dancers must be taking class regularly.
- Availability for rehearsal is taken into consideration during casting.
- As our production grows, so do our auditionees. It is possible that not all dancers who audition may receive a role. Priority casting will be given to those students of The Dance Annex.

Dancers must be available Thanksgiving week and weekend for rehearsals and performances- Sat. Nov. 23-Wed. Nov. 27 for studio or theater run-thrus, and Fri. Nov. 29, Sat. 30 and Sun. Dec. 1 for dress rehearsals and/or performances. And Thurs. Dec. 5-8 for rehearsals and performances (times to be confirmed).

AUDITION DATE AND TIMES

Saturday, September 7, 2024 All Youth Dancers, 7+

12:30-1:20pm Ages 7-9+, Youth and Beginner Level Dancers

1:30-2:20pm Ages 10-11+, Intermediate Dancers session 1

2:30-3:30pm Ages 12-13+, Intermediate Dancers session 2, with pointe tbd

3:45-5:00pm Ages 14-17+, Intermediate/Advanced Level Dancers, pointe included.

Some dancers may be asked to stay into the following audition time.

Please arrive 20-30 minutes before the audition time to fill out/drop off forms and get measured.

12:00-12:30pm - Dancer measurements for all Youth, Beginner

1:00-1:30pm - Dancer measurements for all Intermediate session 1 dancers

2:00-2:30pm - Dancer measurements for all Intermediate session 2 dancers

3:15-3:45pm - Dancer measurements for Intermediate/Advanced dancers

Questions about which age and level to attend? email thedanceannexstudio@gmail.com.

Monday September 9, 6:15-7:45pm Advanced and Professional Dancers 18+

Professional & college dancers—If interested in participating in any company events please reach out via email by Sept. 1, stating your interest and include bio, headshot, resume and/or video links and attend Open Adv. Ballet class Monday September 9, 6:15-7:45pm.

Adult dancers with strong Ballet and Modern technique are encouraged to attend. Participants will be considered for the upcoming 2024/2025 season, including The Nutcracker and ACDC Spring Concert, and touring dates.

Please refer to the Nutcracker General Info sheet for more detailed information.

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AT THE AUDITION

- Please plan on arriving 20-30 minutes early to fill out all forms and get measured. Forms will be available the day of auditions at the studio or by request via email.
- Please note on your rehearsal absence form if you are unavailable for rehearsal on any Fridays, Saturdays or Sundays during September, October and November. Check the dates carefully before you commit and note any conflicts there. **Casting is subject to availability.**
- Girls are to wear black or dark colored leotard and pink or skin tone tights with pink or skin tone ballet slippers. Pointe shoes are not required, unless requested at the end of the audition for older students.
- Boys are asked to wear black sweatpants, a solid colored top/t-shirt and ballet shoes, jazz shoes or socks.
- An audition number will be assigned that you will pin to your leotard/shirt.
- Photos will be taken during the audition for casting references.

AFTER THE AUDITION

Casting takes approximately one-two weeks. You will be notified via email when casting is complete. Unfortunately, not all who audition may be placed in the production and priority will be given to dancers of The Dance Annex Studio and Annex Contemporary Dance Company members.

Rehearsal schedules will be emailed to participants and posted at The Dance Annex Studio.

Rehearsals will be held on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, in September, October and November. Not all dancers will be called to each rehearsal. It is important that each dancer commit to all rehearsals they are called for. Youth dancers are typically given one role or two, and may rehearse 1-3 hours on Saturday or Sunday afternoons, with possible increasing hours as show time gets closer. Older dancers may be given 1-3 roles and may have more hours of rehearsal.

Nutcracker Performance Dates and Times

Friday, November 29th, Performance and/or Tech/Dress Rehearsal, afternoon and evening

Saturday, November 30th, Matinee & Evening Performances, times to be confirmed

Sunday, December 1, Matinee &/or Evening Performances, times to be confirmed

Thursday, December 5, tech/dress #2

Friday, December 6, Performance and/or Tech/Dress Rehearsal, evening

Saturday, December 7, Matinee & Evening Performances, times to be confirmed

Sunday, December 8, Matinee &/or Evening Performances, times to be confirmed

