

# 2022 NUTCRACKER HANDBOOK



### Hello Nutcracker Dancers!

Your time on stage is approaching soon! In this handbook you will find everything you need to know about our Nutcracker Performances! Please be sure to take the time to read through this handbook, fill out your Nutcracker Handbook Form (last page!) and return to the front desk before NOVEMBER 19.

# WHAT, WHERE, & WHEN

#### **Online Ticket Sales**

Priority Sales for Sugar Plum Crew & Rollover Members: Nov 10 @ noon Priority Sales for DTNW Nutcracker Ballet Families: November 14th @ noon Public Sales: November 21st @ noon

### In-Studio Dress Rehearsal & Photos

Saturday, December 3rd 12pm-5pm \*See your dancer's specific rehearsal and photo time on page 4 Dance Theatre Northwest Studio: Main Lobby Entrance

### Technical Rehearsal: All Ballet Classes (No costumes)

Friday, December 16th 5:30-8:30pm (pre-ballet may be excused at 7:30) Schuler Performing Arts Center @ NIC (in Boswell Hall)

### **Nutcracker Performance Day**

Saturday, December 17th at 7pm Dancer Check-in at 6:30pm Doors Open 6:45pm Schuler Performing Arts Center @ NIC (in Boswell Hall)



## **TICKETS**



Tech Trouble? Call DRT! (706) 550-1416 All studios sell tickets to their shows to cover the cost of the venue and other expenses that come with producing a top-notch experience for children and their families. Tickets will be available online through Dance Recital Ticketing Service. In order to be admitted to the show, a ticket must be purchased. Seats are assigned so purchase your tickets together to sit with your family.

# Win your own Nuteracker Doll!

Invite friends and family to our show, and you could win! All your guests need to do is put your dancer's name in the notes field when purchasing their online ticket.

The dancer that sells the most tickets will receive their own nutcracker!

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Super Priority Sales for Sugar Plum Crew & Rollover

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TICKET LINK:

HTTPS://WWW.RECITALTICKETING.COM/26458/

PRIORITY SALE ACCESS CODE: YV96L

### **HELP SUPPORT A LOCAL NON-PROFIT!**

As part of our mission as a More Than Just Great Dancing! studio, we will be donating 10% of our 2022 Nutcracker ticket sales to the CDA Backpack Program & 10% to our LEAD Scholarship Fund. By purchasing tickets to our Nutcracker performance you are not only supporting your dancer and our studio, but also dancers in need and a local non-profit!

You can learn more about the CDA Backpack Program & donate directly online at <a href="https://www.cdabackpackprogram.org/">https://www.cdabackpackprogram.org/</a>

### \*SNOOZE AND LOSE WARNING!\*

Families of DTNW Nutcracker Performers may purchase tickets online through Dance Recital Ticketing Starting November 14th at noon.

Ticket sales are first come first serve. There are no tickets reserved for DTNW families during priority sales, but it is your chance to purchase your tickets before they are available to everyone else. Seats are assigned so if you have a preference, purchase early!

# **COSTUMES, TIGHTS, SHOES & HAIR**

All costumes & accessories will be kept and stored by Dance Theatre Northwest. On photo day, dress rehearsal, and show days dancers should arrive with hair & makeup complete, tights and nude leotard on and ballet shoes on their feet.

A nude leotard is an undergarment worn under a dancer's costume. Wearing a nude leotard (available for purchase) is required for modesty and hygiene purposes. We will be renting out these costumes for years to come and a nude leotard helps us keep them in great shape. Dancers should wear easy to change out of clothes over their nude leotard. Avoid clothing that must be pulled over the head.



Your dancer will receive a pair of pink tights to be used for photo/dress rehearsal and the show ONLY. Please only wear the given pair of tights for these purposes and do not wear them for class before the show. We can assure you there are MANY colors of "pink" tights, and we want our dancers to have a uniform, professional look. You may purchase additional pairs of tights for performance.

All Nutcracker dancers need a pair of PINK ballet shoes in good condition.

Hair should be in a high\* ballet bun for photos and performances. See next page for hair how-to's!

\*Teen Ballet Candy Canes and Pre-Ballet Mice need to have a LOW bun.



### Did you know?

Tights & Nude leotards are underwear! With tights and a nude leotard, your dancer should have plenty of coverage under their costume. \*\*If your dancer must wear undies under tights due to sensory needs, please make sure they are a nude color. We really can see them from the audience!

## ALL THINGS NUTCRACKER

Avoid the "Awe, Nuts!" Feeling and make sure your dancer is set for their performance! Saturday, November 19th from 1-3PM

DTNW Studio C (Pre-School Entrance)

-Pickup performance tights and purchase extras

-Get help with ordering your tickets

-Purchase a nude leotard

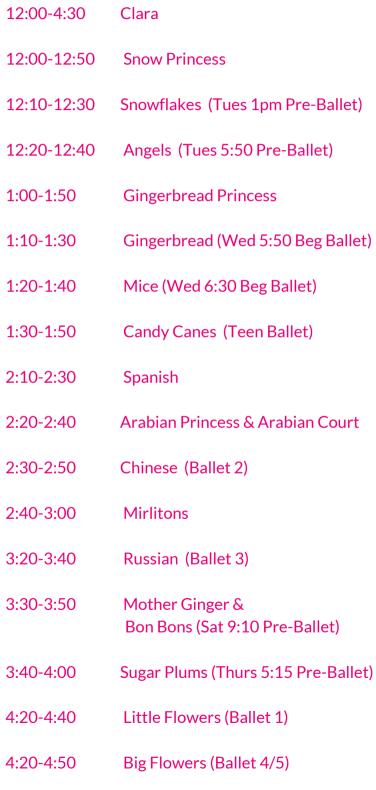
-Missed costume try-on? stop in!

-Order ballet shoes for the stage

-Turn in your Handbook Form

# **DRESS REHEARSAL & PHOTOS**

# December 3 Picture & Rehearsal Time:





### **PICTURE & REHEARSAL**

### **NEED TO KNOW!!**

### **LOCATION:**

DTNW Rathdrum, 7730 Boekel Rd, Rathdrum, ID 83858. Enter through the main DTNW purple door. Parents wait outside please.

### **DATE: Saturday, December 3**

See our "by class" schedule for pictures and dress rehearsal times. Dancers will get their pictures taken then will rehearse in their beautiful costumes!

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to your scheduled time to give time to put on your costume. Arrive with hair and make-up done and ballet shoes on. DO NOT plan on doing hair and make-up at the studio.

Dancers will take individual photos and a group photo. No order form necessary! You will receive an email to preview photos before purchase.

DTNW's lobby will be closed during rehearsals. Due to the busy nature of this event, only the dancer is allowed to attend. Dancers will quickly change out of costume after their scheduled block and exit out the main lobby door.

Please remember that Dress Rehearsal is mandatory as we want all dancers to feel and be their best on stage!

### BALLET BUN 101

#### Tools

hairspray \* hair gel \* brush \* fine-toothed comb \* bobby pins \* 3 (or more) thick hair bands matching hair color \* hair net matching hair color

Brush out your dancer's hair thoroughly.

Create a high ponytail at the crown of dancer's head. Imagine a line from the top of dancer's ear to the top of their head for placement. Smooth out any bumps using your fine-toothed comb. \*Teen Ballet Candy Canes and Pre-Ballet Mice need to have a LOW bun.



Thoroughly hairspray dancer's head. We suggest using an aerosol hair spray for better coverage.

Next you will twist the ponytail and lift the tail end up. Continue spiraling the ponytail around until it forms a bun. Or you can use a hair donut which makes it so much easier! These can be purchased through any hair supply place or department store.

Now you will use another thick hair tie, wrapped twice around the bun to temporarily keep it in place.

As you can see, this bun is not secure enough. Use a hair net wrapped several times around the bun. We recommend that all dancers use a hair net (hair colored) around their bun to prevent pieces of hair coming undone.

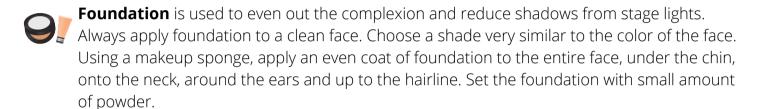
Next step: BOBBY PINS!!! A lot of them. We suggest 10-15 (not exaggerating) depending on the student's thickness and length of hair.

We now have a beautiful and secure bun, which couldn't possibly fall out. Brush back any "wispies" toward the bun and go to town with hairspray!



The spotlights tend to drown out the dancer when she is on stage. Makeup is not required, but recommended. It helps make their faces and expressions visible to the audience and emphasizes features that would otherwise be washed out by stage lights.

Follow these simple steps to create a perfect, stage-ready face.



**Blush** adds color as well as definition to the face. Choose a blush color similar to the natural color of the cheeks. Smile and apply blush to the apples of the cheeks, sweeping up and out toward the hairline.

Apply **eye shadow** over the entire eyelid. Pick a neutral color family that will make your eyes stand out on stage, as stage lights tend to make the eyes appear smaller. Choose three complementary colors, applying the medium shade near the eye, the darkest shade above or along the eyelid crease, and the lightest shade under the eyebrow. Remember to slightly blend the colors together.

**Lining the eyes** with black eyeliner makes them really stand out. Use liquid eyeliner on the top lid and a pencil liner on the bottom. (Use a pencil liner for both lids on very young dancers.)

To line the upper lid, apply a thin, straight line starting from the inner corner. For a dramatic effect, allow the line to extend beyond the natural eyelid.

To line the lower lid, start at the outer corner of the eye and draw a thin line under the lower lashes. Liner should start where the lashes begin and stop where they end on both eyelids.

Using black **mascara**, gently sweep two coats on upper and lower lashes. (Older dancers sometimes choose to wear false eyelashes. Young dancers may achieve similar results by applying several coats of mascara after curling the lashes with an eyelash curler.)

Carefully apply a bright shade of red or natural pink **lipstick** (or preferred color) to the upper and lower lips. Blot softly with a tissue.

Now stand back and smile! You are ready to hit the stage. Break a leg!











### STEP THROUGH

# PERFORMANCE MAY

1st

2nd

# Dancer Check-In 6:30pm

Dancers arrive with makeup and hair done and ballet shoes on. Check in with our DTNW staff near the front of the PAC. After dancers are checked in, parents & guests who have a ticket for the show may enter the auditorium. Dancers will be escorted backstage to change into their costume.

# Show Begins! 7PM

Once the audience is seated, sit back and enjoy the show!

The performance will be less than one hour. Dancers will remain backstage during the show.

# 3rd

### **After Show**

If you would like to take pictures with your dancer in the lobby while they are in costume, you can pick them up after the show at the check-in table. \*\*During check-in, you MUST let us know that you would like to see your dancer in costume and sign the costume agreement, otherwise they will change out of costume before being released to a parent. Please be patient with this process!

Dancers in costume will need to return to the dressing room to change within 15 minutes.

# Finish

### Celebrate!

Dancers will change out of their costumes and be picked up by a parent.

Be sure to stop by our merchandise table & take pictures to remember this special night forever!





### Does my dancer need a ticket?

Dancers do NOT need a ticket, since they'll be backstage with us!

### I have a toddler/infant attending the show, do they need a ticket?

Yes, each person attending will need to purchase a ticket - even if they're not using a seat. This is to help us track that we can adhere to the PAC's capacity restrictions.

### Can I purchase tickets at the door?

Tickets may sell out, so we recommend purchasing them online in advance! If any seats are available, we will sell remaining tickets at the door.

### I am having trouble purchasing a ticket, can you help?

Technology is tough! The best way to receive help with tickets is to call Dance Recital Ticketing! They are so quick and helpful - and since this is what they do every day they will be far more helpful than DTNW staff.

Dance Recital Ticketing: (706) 550-1416

### My dancer has class on Fridays but we have Tech Rehearsal! Can I makeup my class?

Absolutely! We will be canceling Ballet 2 & Lyrical 2 on Friday 12/16. If you would like to schedule a makeup class before the show through January, please email or stop by the front desk.

#### Are dress & technical rehearsals required?

Yes, we want our dancers to feel as prepared as possible. Please reach out if you have any concerns.

#### Where is my dancer's costume?

We have it taken care of! Costumes will be stored by DTNW and taken to the theater by our staff.

#### What does my dancer need for their performance?

Pink ballet shoes, performance tights (only the ones from us!), nude leotard, makeup done, hair in a bun, a cover-up, and a smile!

### I want my dancer to take photos with grandma after the show in their cute costume, what do I do?

At check-in before the show, you will let us know that you'd like your dancer to remain in costume after the show ends. You will read and agree to the costume guidelines and sign the check-in sheet. After the performance, your dancer will remain in costume and we will release them to you at the check out station. You can enjoy your family visit and take as many photos as you'd like! Your dancer will need to return to the dressing room to change out of their cosume within 15 minutes. Please be respectful of our volunteers' time at the end of the night and return promptly.

# Nutcracker Portraits

with charlotte gardunia PHOTOGRAPHY

# Saturday, December 3, 2021



# Pay no money up front!

Online Ordering will be available 1-2 weeks after picture day.

One online gallery per family.

Packages may be split

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Contact cgardunia@gmail.com with questions.

Packages: 5x7 Group + Individual:	<b>\$</b> 15
8x10 Group + Individual:	\$18
8x10, 8 Wallets + Digital:	\$30
2 Digital Files:	\$35
3 Digital Files:	\$40
A la Carte:	
4x6:	\$5
5 <b>x</b> 7:	\$8
8x10:	\$10
Wallets:	\$10

+ 6% sales tax and shipping and handling, starting at \$8.90 (per order, not per photo) Prints will be shipped directly to your home.

Single Digital Download:

\$25

IMPORTANT: Please sign and return this page to the front desk before <u>November 19.</u> This helps us know that everyone has received the information vital to a smooth and fun performance!

### Thank you!

I have received the following information necessary for our 2022 Nutcracker Performance, so I will be organized and prepared for a fun performance!

- Dates & Time of Rehearsals, Photos, and Performance
- Hair, Makeup, Costume, and Shoe requirements and instructions
- Ticket information & Merchandise Information

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Parent SignatureDate_	
Child's Name	
(Please Print the name as you would like it to appear on	the Cast List)

# DTNW Nutcracker Merchandise & Dancewear

Plan for a gift! Performance gifts are a strong tradition in dance. Gifts & merchandise help them to remember their time on stage for a long time to come. Pre-sale is the only way to gaurantee your purchase, we will have VERY limited quantities on hand at the show. All prices the day of the show will be higher to account for venue service fees.

#### **Order Form**

DTNW HIGHLY recommends you purchase an extra pair of tights along with your nude leotard for your dancer. This extra pair must be the exact tights that are furnished with your costume.

#### THE LAST DAY TO ORDER IS NOVEMBER 19!!



Prices do not include tax.

Tights \$10

Nude Leotard \$22

Pink No Tie Ballet Shoes (Pre-Ballet) \$19.95

Pink Split Sole Ballet Shoes (Beg and up) \$37.95

Cast List T-Shirt \$25

Cast List Crew Neck Sweatshirt \$42

Wooden Nutcracker \$25



Please order my child the following items (all charges will be billed through my account on file): Signature of Authorization to charge account on file \_\_\_\_\_\_

3 roses \$11

6 roses \$20

Tights: Size	_Quantity	T-Shirt: Size	_Quantity
Shoes: Type	Size	Crew Neck: Size	Quantity
Nude Leotard: Size	Quantity	Flowers (bundles of 3 or 6): Quantity	
Subtotal:		Nutcracker: Quantity_	

<sup>\*</sup>Sales tax not included. 3.5% processing fee applies to all card purchases