



2018 Nutcracker Auditions

Auditions at BalletNova studios:

3443 Carlin Springs Road, Falls Church, VA 22041

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 7, 2018

6:45 – 8:00 pm: OPEN AUDITION*

- Male & Female Advanced ballet dancers Age 14 - 18
 - BalletNova students - Conservatory Division 2 and 3
- All female dancers must audition on pointe.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2018

12:30 – 1:15 pm: OPEN AUDITION*

- Male & Female Advanced ballet dancers Age 12 - 16
- BalletNova Junior Division 6

All female dancers must audition on pointe.

2:30 – 3:30 pm: OPEN AUDITION*

- Male & Female Intermediate ballet dancers Age 14 - 20
- BalletNova Conservatory 1

All female dancers must audition on pointe.

3:30 – 4:00 pm: BalletNova students only - Junior Division 2

4:00 – 4:30 pm: BalletNova students only - Junior Division 3

4:30 – 5:00 pm: BalletNova students only - Junior Division 4

5:00 – 5:30 pm: BalletNova students only - Junior Division 5

5:30 – 5:45 pm: OPEN AUDITION* Boys ages 7-18

Dance experience is preferred.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 2018

6:30 - 7:15 BalletNova students only - Junior Division I

*Auditions are open to intermediate/advanced level dancers from the community who meet eligibility requirements.

Visiting Dancers: Email CWalsh@BalletNova.org for registration information and proof of current training (letter from teacher and/or dance resume) - students should be in a full-time training program.

MANDATORY REHEARSALS FOR ALL DANCERS:

Thanksgiving Weekend (November 24 & 25) AND the weekend prior (November 17 & 18)

Performance Dates and Times: November 29 & 30 @ 7:30pm AND December 1 and 2 @ 1:00pm and 5:00pm)

No absences after November 1st!

Please be sure you can commit to ALL rehearsals and performances and the level of before auditioning. Please read all the information on the next page.



IMPORTANT NUTCRACKER 2018 INFORMATION

PERFORMANCES @ TBD:

- November 29 & November 30 @7:30pm
- December 1 & 2 @1:00pm and 5:00pm

ADDITIONAL PERFORMANCES (for Act 2 cast members):

- Petites - December 8 @1:00pm & 3:00pm; December 9 @1:00pm & 3:00pm.
- Nutcracker Tea (Act 2, Mice & Soldiers) – December 16 at 10:30am and 2:00pm.

NUTCRACKER REHEARSALS:

This is a professional production of BalletNova. All rehearsals are mandatory - with the exception of 1 excused (but discouraged) absence before November 1st. One absence is for one rehearsal only, or partial rehearsal, not a weekend of rehearsals. Attendance will be taken at all rehearsals.

Rehearsals are scheduled on November 17, 18, 24 and 25 (Thanksgiving weekend) - No absences allowed - no exceptions. If you plan to travel over the Thanksgiving Holiday, please do not let your child audition. There will be no rehearsals on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 22 and Friday, November 23. Technical /Dress Rehearsals begin at 5pm at the theater November 26 – 28. All cast members must adhere to the production week schedule. Absences or tardiness is prohibited - roles will be given to alternate cast or understudies.

CHECK YOUR CALENDARS NOW for schedule conflicts with rehearsals - school activities, family events, etc. It is very disappointing for a child to lose their role due to absences.

CLASS. All dancers must be actively training and have regular attendance in their weekly classes – consistent absence from class will result in loss of role.

Please be sure you can commit to ALL rehearsals and performances and the level of dedication required before auditioning.

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE GUIDE:

Conservatory Division	Friday evenings, Saturday afternoons/early evenings beginning September 14
Mice (usually chosen from JD 2, 3)	Saturday afternoons after 2pm beginning September 16
Soldiers (usually chosen from JD 4, 5, 6)	Saturday afternoons after 2pm beginning September 16
Bakers (chosen from Various levels)	Saturday late afternoons/early evenings beginning September 30
Party Girls and Boys, Clara's Friends (usually chosen from JD 3, 4, 5, 6)	Costume fitting prior to rehearsal TBA - Rehearsals may be Sunday afternoons (after 1pm) and Saturdays
Faeries (usually chosen from JD 3, 4)	Saturday afternoons beginning September 16 and some Sundays
Snow Sprites (usually chosen from JD 4, 5)	Saturdays after 3pm and some Fridays after 6:30 beginning Oct 6
Angels (usually chosen from JD 1)	Friday early evenings beginning October 6
All Cast Members (no absences)	Saturday November 18, Sunday November 19 Saturday November 25, Sunday November 26

PARENTS:

Mandatory parents meeting on Saturday, 9/29 at 1:30pm. All families involved are required to volunteer in some capacity. For more info see the online Sign-Up Genius (link on website) or Volunteer Sign-Up Board. Performance fee of \$100 and signed contract are required before rehearsals start (Conservatory dancers excluded).

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