



Presents
The Nutcracker
2023

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Cost

- Audition Fee: \$15
- 1 Role Rehearsal Fee: \$145 - students that select this option will perform in one part of the show and will have fewer rehearsal hours.
- 2+ Role Rehearsal Fee: \$285 - students that select this option will perform in multiple parts of the show, and should anticipate attending more rehearsals.
- Sweatshirt (optional) - Price \$30-50
- Tickets - TBD

Auditions

Saturday Aug. 12th

9:00-9:45 A.M. - Ages 6-9

10:00-10:45 A.M. - Ages 10-12

11:00-11:45 A.M. - Ages 13+

12:00-12:30 P.M. - All pointe dancers

12:30-1pm Boys Audition

Thursday Aug. 17th

5:00-5:45 P.M. - Ages 6-9

6:00-6:45 P.M. - Ages 10-12

7:00-7:45 P.M. - Ages 13+

8:00-8:30 P.M. - All pointe dancers

*Please fill out google form BEFORE arriving for auditions

Rehearsals

Saturdays 9am-1pm from August 26 - November 11

No Labor Day weekend rehearsal

Choreography week August 21-24 5-8pm

*Dancers will not be called for the entirety of these rehearsal times. The rehearsal schedule will be finalized and released in August after auditions.

*All rehearsals are mandatory, dancers must communicate all absences in advance via email. If a dancer fails to attend rehearsal they may be required to schedule private lessons at the cost of the dancer to learn missed material.

Nutcracker Tea

November 11th 2pm

*Selected Dancers will be asked to perform for Nutcracker tea at LMDA

Dress Rehearsals

November 16 & 17 at Coopersville High School

Time TBD (evening)

Performances

November 18th at Coopersville High School

Performances at 1pm and 5pm

Dancer call time:

Older dancers: 2 hours before show

Younger dancers: 1 hour before show

General Requirements

Dance Class Requirement: All dancers must be enrolled in a dance class for the duration of Nutcracker. This class does not have to be at LMDA. Pointe Dancers must be enrolled in a pointe class.

Costume Requirements

Your dancer will be responsible for the items that are listed below. Primarily, this list involves shoes and tights. Lake Michigan Dance Academy provides the rest of the costume and we expect that your dancer will properly care for all the costumes so that we can use them for future performances. There is absolutely no eating or drinking while in costume. The cost of repairs or replacement of costumes due to improper care will be charged to your dancer's account.

Undergarments: All younger girls must have a nude (skin color) leotard which is worn under their costumes to insure hygiene and modesty. The 'nude' should have a low back and adjustable clear straps. This undergarment protects the costumes from sweat and soil which allows LMDA to use the costumes longer. Required undergarments are mandatory.

All dancers in professional tutus must wear a nude bra and briefs.

Adult-https://www.amazon.com/dp/B001GBLCZO/ref=syn_sd_onsite_desktop_0?ie=UTF8&pd_rd_plhdr=t&th=1&psc=1

Child-https://www.amazon.com/Capezio-Girls-Overs-Camisole-Leotard/dp/B001GBHLLS/ref=sr_1_5?crd=3OCS25TF1NOXO&keywords=girls+nude+leotard+with+clear+straps&qid=1691026130&sprefix=girls+nude+leotard+with+clear+straps%2Caps%2C118&sr=8-5

Bra-https://discountdance.com/dancewear/style_3777W_html?pid=33480&shop=Style&&skey=nude+leotard+with+clear+straps&search=true&SortOrder=R&SID=1804941237

Briefs (pink - worn under tutus)

https://www.capezio.com/brief?wickedsource=google&wickedid=&wtm_term=&wtm_campaign=17036302710&wtm_content=&wickedplacement=&wickedkeyword=&gclid=CjwKCAjww7KmBhAyEiwA5-PUSj2n5SLAcuNOD6jfnNCCIJFB6d-C0dm0WVbjAn-7GbhsQ0M4WCWcxoCmb0QAvD_BwE

Shoes: The shoes that are needed depend upon the role. All shoes must be in good condition, with no rips, tears or holes.

- Ladies en pointe should have an extra pair of pointe shoes, or two, that are broken in so that shoes can be rotated and allowed to dry out between dress rehearsals and shows.
- Pink ballet flat shoes should be canvas, split sole preferred.
- Black ballet flat shoes should be canvas, split sole.

Tights: Unless noted in the specific information for each role, the tights that your dancer needs are:

- Tights must be purchased from LMDA to ensure the ballet pink color matches. Footed or convertible tights only. Some dancers may be required to purchase black tights, depending on what role they are cast in.
- Highly recommend having backup tights for runs and holes.

Hair:

- Boys: Hair should be freshly trimmed. We want to see your eyes.
- Girls: Bun should be tight and flat with hair slicked back, no fly-aways and use a hair net over your bun. No doughnut bun. Please see individual roles for bun placement.

Stage Makeup:

- Part-dependant - details to come.

Parent Volunteers

Parent volunteers are vital to the success of Nutcracker running smoothly. Please plan to volunteer for one show on November 18th, and watch the other show. You must also then attend the corresponding dress rehearsal.

- Costumes - Krista Schippers
- Props/Sets - Kelly Smedley

Nutcracker Tea:

- Bake goods
- Ushers
- Setup/teardown

Day of:

- Room moms/dads
- Quick Change
- Ushers
- Bake Sale?
- Load in/Load out
- Costume Care
- Prop Care