

Nutcracker 2024

I would like to thank you for your support of this season's Nutcracker. It has been an exciting progression for our faculty and cast to mount this 33rd annual Nutcracker. We hope it will be a truly memorable event in your child's life. Our goal is to make the next few weeks go as smoothly as possible. **There are additional rehearsals for the cast so we ask you to review the schedule closely.** Stage rehearsals are the most crucial for our cast and absences will not be excused without advanced notification. If you have any questions regarding the schedule please speak to our faculty or staff. Together we can make this performing experience a lifetime memory for your child.

Performances

There is 2 school performances at the Frank Center on Thursday, December 19 at 10am and 11:15am for all students except angels, baker children and bon bons. Public performances will take place December 20-22 with performances Friday 7pm, Saturday 2pm and the Sunday 2pm. **Please follow theatre etiquette and do not exit or enter the theatre during the performance.**

Rehearsals

A rehearsal schedule is attached. **Please be on time for all rehearsals and calls (time to arrive at theatre on performance nights).** Students are expected to attend all rehearsals unless a written request is made and excused by director. Otherwise students not attending rehearsal will not be allowed to participate in performance.

Rehearsals December 17th -19th are at Shepherd University (see enclosed schedule)

Parking is available in front of the building entering up the stairs where you will check in your dancer with Miss Liz at the desk. Dancers must wear their regulation class leotard for all rehearsals.

Act 1 parts- Party Children, Mice and Soldiers

Act 2 parts-Angel, Baker children, Bon Bons, Candy Cane

Dress Rehearsal/Photos

Dress Rehearsals –There will be a dress rehearsal at the studio on Friday, December 13th and Saturday, December 14th. Dress rehearsal times mean your child is dressed and ready to rehearse not just arriving. Make sure student's shoes and tights are clean and free from holes for recital. Tights and accessories are listed on the Hair-Make-up list and can be purchased in the office. Please get your tights early so we can insure our inventory will supply everyone.

Nutcracker Photos Stage photographs will be taken. All photos will be available for download purchasing at shootproof.com.

Make-up/Hair

Makeup and hair instructions are attached. Please apply make-up and style hair at home before dress rehearsal and performances. We will only be doing make-up for stage rehearsals to avoid makeup on costumes at the studio. Send extra make-up, hair pins and hair spray for last minute touch-ups. No nail polish, tattoos, or jewelry please. **Do not wear costumes in the theatre. Dancers are not allowed to eat or leave dressing area in costume.** Dressing Room Attendants have the authority to oversee all hair and make-up and make changes if needed. Please cooperate with your assistants for they have been instructed by the directors.

Tickets/DVD

Ticket prices start at \$30.00 adults, \$25.00 children and high school students. All tickets will be advanced reserved seating and are on a first come first serve basis. All tickets at the door will have an additional \$2 charge. Please arrive at least 30 minutes prior to curtain if purchasing at the door. Last minute purchases hold up the show or keep you from seeing the entire production.

Both Live Streaming and On Demand performances will be available through Pointe DVD for all performances **for \$50** . DVD's each performance will also be available for Pre-Order at \$50 with Miss Liz. Videotaping or photography is not allowed during performances. See our Website or Facebook page for future streaming details.

Theatre Etiquette

The performing arts season is in full swing. Audiences are set to enjoy the entertainment and inspiration of performing ensembles of every description. One thing is certain; the performances will be marred by thoughtlessness on the part of too many people who otherwise consider themselves good citizens. These people ignore the simple rules of courtesy, or unconsciously destroy the peaceful environment necessary for enjoyment of these special performances. The Inwood Performing Arts Company feels strongly about the importance of Theatre etiquette therefore let's set the example for our future arts generations by observing the following rules.

- 1. Only exit and re-enter the theatre during intermissions.**
- 2. Absolutely No food or drinks will be permitted in Theatre**
- 3. Please refrain from talking during the performance.**
- 4. Please turn off cell phones and other electronic devices.**
- 5. Videotaping or flash photography is prohibited. People who do not comply will be asked to leave by ushers.**
- 6. No smoking or alcohol on school property.**
- 7. Please arrive on time for the performance and out of respect for all the performers stay and enjoy the entire performance. Ushers will only open doors during applause.**
- 8. Look around you when leaving and take all your belongings including your trash.**
- 9. Applaud in a supportive but courteous way. This is not a sporting event! Bravo and Encore are the appropriate language.**