

September News



Dates to Save:

- ❖ September 30th - Nutcracker Costume Fitting Day!
- ❖ October 13th - Nutcracker Fees due with tuition
- ❖ October 9th - Classes WILL be held on Columbus Day
- ❖ October 14th & 15th - Visit our Performing Company at Goffstown's Pumpkin Regatta!
- ❖ October 24th - October 30th - Halloween Spirit Week
- ❖ October 31st - No classes on Halloween
- ❖ October 14th - Spirit Wear Orders Due
- ❖ December 16th - Nutcracker Tech Rehearsal and 6 PM Performance

Understanding Your Nutcracker Rehearsal Schedule

Saturday, December 16th 2023

We were thrilled to have nearly 50 students join us to audition for roles in the Nutcracker! Students ages 5-17 handled the audition process with professionalism and confidence and we're proud of each and every one for putting their best foot forward with the hopes of earning additional roles in our annual holiday production. We know it takes dedication and organization to be a Nutcracker Cast Member with multiple roles so please know how excited we are to have your child involved - they will grow as people and as dancers and it will surely be an inspiring gift to watch come to life on stage in December!

Our Show Will Take The Stage On **Saturday, December 16th 2023 at 6 PM! Please start spreading the word to family and friends who might want to save the date!**



Shortly after casting has been announced, dancers and their families will receive a rehearsal schedule for the fall season. We try very hard to work around the conflicts listed on each dancers' audition form but are not always able to make it work perfectly. If your dancer is scheduled on a date/time you previously listed as unavailable and they absolutely cannot attend, please send an email to remind us of the conflict so we are not looking for your dancer in the studio that day. A few helpful tips to know before reviewing your schedule:

1. Most additional rehearsals will take place on Saturdays this season. Primary & Elementary Ballet CLASS PIECES (assigned without audition) will rehearse within their regular weekly class until December when they may be needed for a full scene rehearsal. (We make every attempt to bring the scene to them during regular class times)
2. Please highlight your roles and all of the corresponding rehearsal dates and times - record them in another calendar to double check.
3. The initials listed next to each role/scene are that of the choreographer or studio location and are for staff organization only. We will list individual role names rather than student names next to rehearsal times.
4. Nutcracker participation fees for those who auditioned are \$100 per cast member which covers all rehearsals, stage access, choreography and one costume. Dancers with more than one role will also pay \$20 per additional costume to cover alterations, dry cleaning and any updates/replacements as needed. Primary and Elementary students who did not audition will only pay a \$50 participation fee. All costume fees will be posted to accounts this week for your review and charged with tuition on the 13th. We make every attempt to keep costs low for families by reusing traditional costumes year after year!\

Volunteers Needed this Saturday!

Please let us know if you're able to assist with any of the following volunteer positions this Saturday - no experience necessary! This is a great way to learn more about what happens behind the scenes of our

magical show.

- Dressing Room Attendant (zipping/safety pinning and labeling) 9:30-11:30, 11:30-1:30 or 1:30-2:30
- Hand-Sewing Assistant (Small tucks/mending with needle and thread) 9:30-11:30, 11:30-1:30 or 1:30-2:30
- Seamstress on Sewing Machine 9:30-11:30, 11:30-1:30 or 1:30-2:30

One sewing machine can be provided, but if you're able to bring your own that would be incredibly helpful!

Thank you in advance to any community members who are able to assist! Please email nesdoffice@gmail.com if you're able to volunteer for a timeslot this Saturday!

Dress Code

Have you seen our dancers wear those gorgeous, flattering and durable Corps Dancewear leotards and skirts around the studio? Now that your class schedule is finalized please review our dress code guide and corresponding Welcome Packet (scroll through to find each level). Once you've confirmed which items your student will need to meet NESD&T's dress code for various class styles, complete the Dress Code Order Form which is still online! If you do not have the original email simply request the order form link from our office and we will process your order as soon as possible!

Reminder that dangling earrings, necklaces, bracelets, long acrylic nails and headbands are not allowed in dance classes for safety reasons. If you are waiting for a dancewear order that has not yet arrived we understand your child may not be in dress code yet, but please do your best to arrive appropriately ready to dance!

Want to Add a Class or Have Friends Asking About NESD&T?

The following classes would like to add more friends:

- Tuesday Preschool Ballet & Tap
- Wednesday Jumpstart Ballet
- Wednesday Elementary Hip Hop
- Saturday Adult Ballet & Stretch
- Saturday Preschool & Primary Classes
- Saturday Elementary Jazz
- Saturday Primary Hip Hop & Tumble

Theater Classes Start Next Week!

