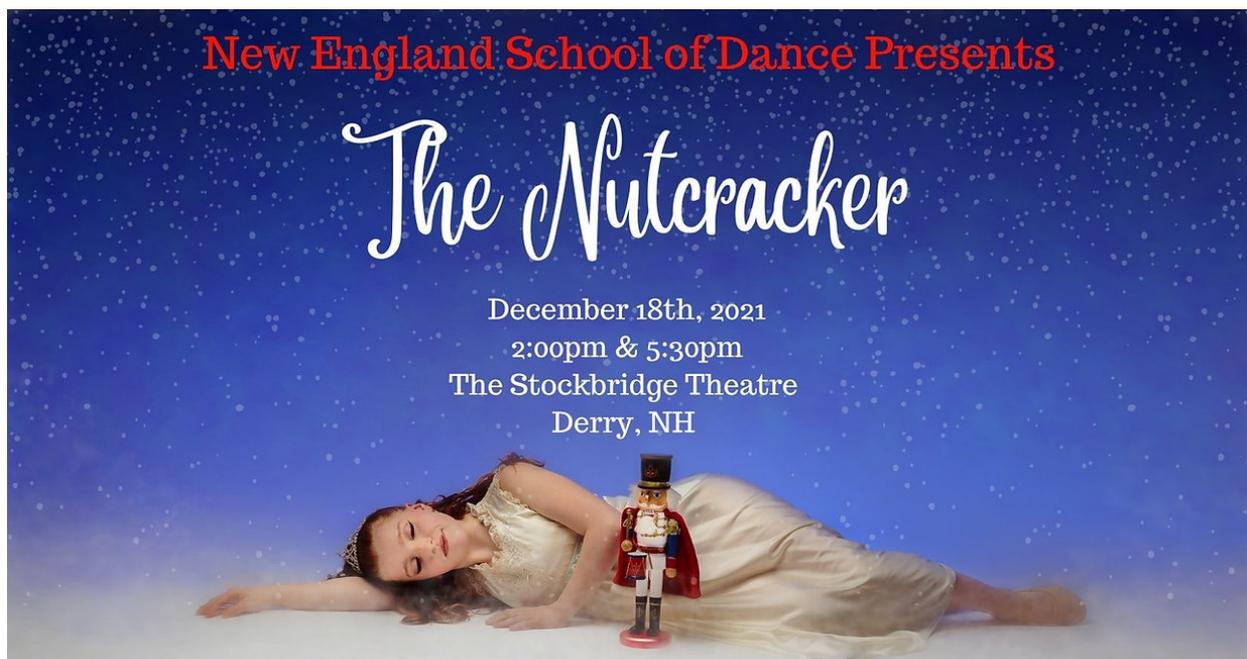


New England School of Dance
DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

Nutcracker Tickets Are On Sale Now! Don't Delay - Get Your Seats Today!

We are thrilled to be presenting our production of The Nutcracker to a LIVE audience once again this year and hope you'll join us for the shows! Don't have tickets yet? Be sure to purchase seats today as we are less than two weeks away! Don't forget to share this image and information with friends too - these dancers have worked tirelessly to present a stunning production and deserve a full audience to perform for!

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Pickup Time Correction for 12/18:

In an email recently sent to Nutcracker Performers regarding rehearsal and show day details, the pickup time between the 2pm show and the 5:30pm show was misprinted as

2:15pm. The first performance is at 2 PM and pick-up time following that show is approximately **3:30pm**. **Students will be signed out for a snack break between shows and need to be signed back in with childcare staff at 4:15 PM to prepare for the 5:30 performance. Eating is not permitted in the theater so it is important that children are released to a caretaker to snack in between.**

COVID Precautions at Stockbridge Theater

Stockbridge Theater at Pinkerton requires all individuals and dancers to wear a mask while in the theater. Dancers will be allowed to remove their mask prior to entering the stage but are required to wear it at all other times. We recommend that each dancer arrives with at least 2 extra clean and breathable masks in a labeled ziplock bag for backstage to store their masks whilst performing.

The theater prohibits eating of any kind so we ask that parents give their children a healthy lunch & pick up their children between shows so that they can be provided with food. Dancers should be sure to have a snack on their way to tech rehearsal as it may be a long stretch until they are able to eat again. Dancers who are there for an extended time may pack a snack bar that can be quickly eaten outside if needed with supervision of a staff member or volunteer.

Eating in costume is not permitted.

Keeping our Studio Safe!

With the increased number of cases in the state, particularly amongst children, we ask that everyone continue to wear masks while in the studio for the time being. We continue to clean and disinfect the studios regularly and monitor all students and staff for any symptoms we may need to be aware of. Dancers under 6 are not required to wear a mask while in class but we ask all visitors in the studio ages 2+ to wear a mask while in the studio for any length of time.

WiddyUP Wrap-Up

THANK YOU to all who participated in our WiddyUp Fundraiser! Many of our students made fantastic videos to recruit donations for NESD's Nutcracker Costume Collection and we are so very grateful for your time and support! Special thanks to the following dancers for the fundraising they did through this campaign:

Sierra Boulanger, Hannah Caron, Kendall Case, Nora Glennon, Olivia LaBreche, Kira Lee, Clara Lopez, Rosalie Lopez, Eve Lovett, Ella Roberts, Dilana Schoenfeld, Emily Thompson, and Laura Wawrzyniak

We would like to feature all donors in our Nutcracker program; due to WiddyUP's privacy policies, we ask that you please provide us with a list of those who supported your campaign. Simply email the list of names from your WiddyUP portal to nesdoffice@gmail.com by 12/13 to have them included in our list of supporters!

Dancers who met their fundraising goal will receive a special gift from the studio this month as a token of appreciation. Most importantly, many dancers will have the opportunity to shine in brand new and/or improved costumes this year; please keep in mind that the Nutcracker

performance is an annual tradition that students enjoy growing with and they can look forward to wearing more of our new costumes in the near future!

Thanks again, from the bottom of our hearts; we were able to purchase numerous new costumes for the Nutcracker collection and we are incredibly thankful to all families who helped support that effort. We look forward to each and everyone of our students enjoying our new costumes for many years to come!

Save The Date!

We are happy to announce that our **Spring Production** will be held on **June 12th, 2022** at the Dana Center at Saint Anselm College. More details will be released in early 2022 - stay tuned!

Important Upcoming Dates:

- **12/10 - In-Studio Dress Rehearsal (Act 1 Nutcracker)**
- **12/11 - In-Studio Dress Rehearsal (Act 2 Nutcracker)**
- **12/17 - Nutcracker Tech Rehearsal at The Stockbridge Theater**
- **12/18 - 2 PM & 5:30 PM Performances of The Nutcracker**
- **12/19-1/3/2022 - No classes for Holiday Break**

**Please note that we have made the tough decision to cancel Clara's Tea Party this year. An email was sent out earlier this week containing details for our Performing Company Dancers regarding their event on 12/11 from 12/1 following the In-Studio Dress Rehearsal. Be sure to follow us on facebook & Instagram @nesd123 for updates!*

Congratulations to our New York City Dance Alliance Competitors!

Some of our Alinea Performing Company soloists competed in NYCDA in Boston this weekend. This was their first competition of the season and we are so proud of each of them! We look forward to watching their pieces grow throughout the season - bravo dancers!



NEW CLASS!

“Bridge To Broadway”



A Musical Theater class where you will learn to dance, sing & act!

- Ages: 7 to 11
- 6 Weeks - January 7th to February 11th
- Fridays 5:30-6:30pm
- Attire: Athletic or dance clothing that you can move in, socks or jazz shoes.
- **Cost: \$90 - *Deadline to register: 1/3/22**

Happy Holidays to all of our NESD families. We hope you enjoy connecting with your friends and family over the break. We look forward to seeing you all in 2022!

If you know anyone who might love to unwrap a gift card to New England School of Dance this Christmas, direct them to nesdoffice@gmail.com to purchase an electronic gift certificate!

