



Nutcracker 2023



We are so excited that you are interested in being a part of our 26th annual Nutcracker held at the Lyric Theatre. Please take some time and look over the Nutcracker packet before deciding to make the commitment to the production.

Once again, we are happy to open up this great performance opportunity to all of the students at FADC. We will be producing a traditional Nutcracker and feel that everyone should be given the opportunity to perform. As a staff, we would like to invite students in all dance styles to participate in our Battle Scene as well as Pollichnelles or Candy Canes. Due to the nature of the performance and the technique required for the other roles, ballet students will be cast in the remaining roles.

The Performing Arts Academy of Jupiter will be working with us. They will be inviting their ballet dancers to participate in Our Nutcracker. They were invited to perform waltz of the flowers, Chinese, candy canes, and a doll in act 1. Some of their dancers may be asked to dance with us in other dances.

Each year the FADC staff take time to consider your child(ren)'s casting. This year we will cast Nutcracker mainly according to the class level some dancers may be cast below or above class level as needed. Lead roles will be cast by audition. To be considered for a lead role, dancers must be in Ballet II or above. If you audition for a lead role you are not guaranteed one, but you are guaranteed a role in the production. Our Dancers have the opportunity to perform in but not limited too: Party Scene (Clara, Friends, Parents, Nanny, Fritz, Drosselmeier), Battle Scene (Mice, Soldiers, Nutcracker, King Mouse), Snow Queen, Lead Angel, Arabian, Chinese, Candy Canes, Waltz of the Flowers. We invite all parents or family members to who want to dance with us to let us know at this time as well.

Casting will be a group effort of judges and FADC Staff. When casting dancers, we will consider past and present behavior within the classroom, attendance and commitment of classes as well as rehearsals, current class placement, and your audition if you attended the audition. If your child was not a part of the FADC family before, we ask that you supply one letter of recommendation by a non-family member about your child's dedication, drive, and willingness to take direction and corrections.

Auditions will be held on Saturday, August 19th from 9:30pm to 1:30pm.

Casting will be emailed by 3pm on September 5th, 2023 to the email provided on the audition/commitment form.

We look forward to a wonderful Nutcracker,
FADC Staff



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FEES: Audition and Nutcracker fees are non refundable.

Commitment fee: \$50 Payable on or before September, 1st. This fee will then be applied to your Nutcracker fee. You will not be cast until this is paid.

One time set Nutcracker fee: \$225 includes but not limited to - costume rental and cleanings, *1 Pair of performance Tights, rehearsals, warm-up classes, stage time, and t-shirt. Remaining fees are due by September 30th, 2023. A late fee will be added if not paid by October 7th.

REQUIREMENTS FOR NUTCRACKER:

Age and Ability:

To be Considered for **BATTLE SCENE** (Mice or soldiers) or **POLLICHNELLES/CANDY CANES**:

This is for dancers, family, or friends of FADC ballet students who wish to be apart of our nutcracker Family. NO ballet Technique is required. MUST be able to take direction and memorize choreography.

To be considered for all other roles:

Dancers must take all the required ballet classes for their level. If a conflict occurs they must take a ballet technique class in a level lower than theirs during Nutcracker season.

Attendance:

To ensure the consistency of the performance **all** rehearsals are mandatory. Absences will be allowed for the following reasons:

Death in family- Please notify the FADC Staff ASAP

Illness- Doctor's note must be provided by the dancer's physician

Injury- Please have the child attend rehearsals. They will be asked to sit to watch and hear corrections

Prior commitment- Must let us know at time of commitment/audition form signing.

Consideration for other absences will be accepted only at time of audition or registration for Nutcracker. Failure to do so, may result in not performing.

Dress Code for rehearsals:

Proper ballet bun, solid color leotard, pink tights, and appropriate footwear for the dance.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Rehearsals: Saturdays between 11pm - 5:00pm Fridays and Sundays will be used from time to time.

Please note: Additional rehearsal days can be called on non-school days

Theatre dates: (December 14th—17th, 2023)

Load-in and Dress Rehearsal: Thursday, December 14th

Performances:

morning shows (during school time) Friday, December 15th

Public Shows: Friday, December 15th at 7pm, Saturday, December 16th - 2pm and 7pm

Sunday, December 17th 3pm

*This year we have included in the fee 1 pair of performance tights per dancer. Additional Tights may be purchased from the studio by Saturday, November 11th. All tights will be placed in child's garment bag and brought to the theatre. Child Tights \$16 and Adult \$18.50



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Nutcracker Commitment Form

**NEEDS TO BE RETURNED WITH PAYMENT
NO LATER THAN Friday, September 1st at 7:30pm**

Dancer's Name _____
(as you wish it to appear in the program)

Email Address _____
Parent/Guardian's _____ Dancer's _____

Cell Phone _____ Dancer's _____

A check marks gives permission to place myself ____ or Dancer ____ in a group text about important rehearsal information.

Additional Email address(es) you wish us to send the Nutcracker schedules to:

Age _____ Grade _____ Height _____ Shirt Size _____
(Adult or Youth Size)

Family/Friends are Interested in being in the Nutcracker: (list names contact information and Age)

Conflicts with the rehearsal or performance schedule: (Please list below or continue on back)
(Please note: Conflicts listed on the audition form will be taken into consideration during the casting and rehearsal scheduling process. Conflicts arising after auditions could affect participation in Nutcracker.)

I understand that my child is eligible for a role in FADC production of the Nutcracker. My dancer and myself understand that casting is also limited to the dance classes they are enrolled in. I understand that my dancer will be cast by this year's class placement as well as past attendance and attitude/behavior in class(es).

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____



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Nutcracker Audition

AUDITION FEE AND FORM TO BE TURNED IN NO LATER THAN SATURDAY, AUGUST 19TH

Dancer's Name _____
(as you wish it to appear in the program)

Parent/Guardian's Names _____

Email Address _____
Parent/Guardian's Dancer's

Cell Phone _____ Dancer's Phone _____

Any additional Email address(es) you wish us to send the Nutcracker schedules to:

Lead role(s) I would like to be considered for: _____

Clothing Size _____
Shirt Pants Leotard

Conflicts with the rehearsal or performance schedule: (Please list below or continue on back)
(Please note: Conflicts listed on the audition form will be taken into consideration during the casting and rehearsal scheduling process. Conflicts arising after auditions could affect participation in Nutcracker.)

I understand that my child will be casted in the FADC 2023 production of the Nutcracker but is not guaranteed a lead role. My dancer and myself understand that casting for lead roles requires my child to attend all ballet classes in the level we are registered for or a ballet technique in a lower level. I understand that my dancer will be casted in all other roles by this year's class placement as well as past attendance and attitude/behavior in class(es). If my child was not a part of the FADC family before, I will supply one letter of recommendation by a non-family member about my child's dedication, drive, and willingness to take direction and corrections.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Audition No. _____