

Nutcracker Auditions - Saturday, September 9
Performances - December 15, 16

Come be a part of the production of The Nutcracker presented by the East Tennessee Ballet Academy. East Tennessee Ballet Academy believes ballet is for everyone and encourages area children to participate in the performance. No experience is required as there are many non-dancing roles available. Dancers in the community ages 5 & up are welcome to audition and will perform! Casting will be on September 9 for upcoming performances of The Nutcracker, December 15,16. We look forward to seeing you at the auditions and celebrating the holiday season with you and your family!

When are casting auditions?

Saturday, September 9

11:00 -11:30 Ages 5 - 6

11:30 - 12:30 Ages 7- 10

12:30 - 2:30 Ages 11+ (If on pointe, please bring pointe shoes)

Where are auditions being held?

Auditions will be held at the East TN Ballet Academy studios, 312 East Elk Avenue in Elizabethton.

What should I wear to the audition?

Dance students should wear their class leotard, tights and dance shoes is available. Students on pointe should bring pointe shoes. Non dancers should dress for full range of motion.

Which parts in The Nutcracker are available for casting?

The Party Scene

Clara & Fritz, Party Parents and Children, the housekeepers, The Ballerina and Soldier Dolls.

The Battle Scene

The Nutcracker, Rat King or Queen, Soldiers, Rats, Mice

Snow Scene & Waltz of the Flowers *Pointe work not required.*

The Land of the Sweets *Pointe work not required.*

Angels, Spanish, Arabian, Chinese, Marzipan, Lambs, Candy Canes, Policheinells, Waltz of the Flowers.

There are additional parts available not listed above.

When will rehearsals begin?

Rehearsals for young children will start on **Saturdays beginning October 7**. Exact times to be determined.

Those students dancing in multiple pieces, the Snow Scene or Waltz of the Flowers will need to attend additional rehearsals. The rehearsal process is very important for those studying ballet and we will do our best to make sure you feel well prepared for your upcoming performances.

Is there a fee to participate?

Yes, a \$100. fee aids in preparing for your child's performance (costumes, rehearsals, etc).

Does ETBA supply the costumes?

Yes, ETBA supplies all costumes. You will need to purchase your own tights, nude colored leotard if needed and ballet shoes. ETBA has various sizes of used black and pink ballet shoes available for performances if needed.

What should we expect the last two weeks before production?

Saturday, December 2 - Full run thru of production. Times to be determined (No Storybook Ballet children)

Saturday, December 9 - Full run thru in costume of the production. Times to be determined (All performers)

We will try to get younger children out as soon as possible.

The week prior to Dec. 15 we will have a tech and full dress rehearsal on stage. We are waiting to hear from the theatre for the two days available.

The Elizabethton Christmas parade is the evening of December 9. The run thru will finish in plenty of time to attend parade. Please consider joining ETBA for the parade.

A parent meeting will be scheduled soon after auditions are over.

