

ATLANTA BALLET

CENTRE FOR DANCE EDUCATION

Atlanta Ballet's *The Nutcracker* 2021 Auditions

Centre for Dance Education Students from 6-16 years old and fit the height requirements, and **Gymnasts** from 9-16 years old, who are strong on bars and fit the height requirements are encouraged to audition to join the wonder and excitement surrounding Atlanta Ballet's *The Nutcracker* performed at the Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre (CEPAC).

STUDENT & GYMNAST AUDITIONS:

- When: Saturday, September 11th between 3:00-7:00pm.
- Where: Michael C. Carlos Dance Centre, 1695 Marietta Blvd NW.

COVID 19 Policies

To protect the safety of the Nutcracker Casts, AB Company, AB2 and Staff have all been fully vaccinated. The following requirements will be implemented for the Children's Nutcracker Cast for all Rehearsals and Performances.

- Students 16 and over are required to provide proof of vaccination by start of rehearsal period - October 5th.
- Students between the ages 12-15 are strongly recommended to obtain the vaccine.
- Students under 12 years old - AB will continue to monitor the CDC recommendations.
- All Children's Cast members will be masked during rehearsals and performances.
- ***If your child has difficulty breathing with a mask for prolonged periods of time - Do Not Audition.***

REQUIREMENTS:

Pre-registration required.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0F44AF23ABFB6-auditions>

- **Due to costume restrictions, height and size requirements will be strictly enforced.**
- Results will be given via email within three days of the audition. **Do not contact about results.**
- We cannot guarantee roles to all students who audition.
- **Masks will be required for the audition, rehearsals and performances.**

DRESS CODE for Audition:

- Girls: Leotard, tights and ballet shoes with hair pulled back in neat bun, no jewelry
- Boys: T-shirt, tights or shorts, ballet shoes

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AUDITION SCHEDULE:

Ages 6-8 – Height Requirement 3'3"-4'0"

3:00pm Registration

3:30-4:30pm Audition

Ages 9 to 16 – Height Requirement 4'2"-5'4"

4:00pm Registration

4:30-6:00pm Audition

Star Gymnasts ~ Must be Strong on Bars

Ages 9 to 16 – Height Requirement 4'0"-5'3"

5:30pm Registration

6:00 -7:00pm Audition

- ✓ There is no audition fee; however, if selected, there is a **\$150 non-refundable fee** for participating in *The Nutcracker*, which must be paid by September 30th, or your child will be replaced with an alternate.

IMPORTANT NUTCRACKER SCHEDULE INFORMATION*:

- **Organization Day for ALL ROLES** will be held on Saturday September 25th. *This day is when Faculty assign the cast that your child will be working in.*
- **Nutcracker Fitting Day** will be October 2nd during rehearsal times.
- **Photo shoot on Sunday October 17th** (tentatively). Times to be announced.
- *Rehearsals will be taking place the week of Thanksgiving except for Thanksgiving Day.*

REHEARSAL EXPECTATIONS**:

- ✓ **Your child must attend all rehearsals.** Further information regarding rehearsal times and schedules will be available after the audition and casting process is completed.

Your child's performance dates will depend on casting assignments. This year's production will run December 4th-December 29th. Tech rehearsals at CEPAC begin on December 2nd.

****If you are aware that your child cannot make any of the posted performances, please do not have them audition. There will be no excused absences.***

**SAMPLE SCHEDULES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS

October

- All roles will have a costume fitting on October 2nd. During their rehearsal times.

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- All roles will have a one-hour rehearsal at a set time every Saturday. Between 3:30-6:45pm depending on role
- Chick role will start on Saturday October 23rd and 30th - 2:15-3:15pm
- Star Gymnast every Saturday 4:30-6:30pm

November

- Party Children will rehearse with company twice per week for the month of November.

One weekday depending on assigned group either Wednesday or Friday afternoons and Saturdays. Weekdays and Saturday 4:45-6:45pm
- Mice, Toy Soldier 3:15-4:45pm and Chicks 2:15-3:15pm will rehearse at a set time every Saturday.
- Star Gymnast TBD