

Nutcracker Information

Thank you to all parents and dancers for all of your hard work and effort to make this year's Nutcracker a success. Below is detailed information concerning production week. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call Ashlee Persing at: 903-510-2027 or email aper5@tjc.edu or Jennifer Bailey at jbai@tjc.edu.

All dancers must remain backstage for the entire show including rehearsals. No parents are allowed backstage or in the dressing rooms. When the show is over you may come backstage and pick up your child. Your children will be supervised by adults. If you arrive late or are absent during production week, you may be cut from the cast. **ALL REHEARSALS ARE CLOSED!**

Costumes

- *All Party scene adult women must have tan or nude tights and character shoes that match your dress, tan or black, ask Peggy MacPherson for the specific color.
- *All Party scene men must have a white dress shirt, black socks, and black dress shoes.
- *All Snow, Spanish, Waltz, Chinese, Marzipan, Polichinell girls, Party Scene girls, Arabian, and Angels must have seamed mesh tights and pink ballet shoes with the elastics sewn on the shoes and the bows taped to the inside of the shoes. Order the tights through www.discountdance.com (Capezio #9 or #9C (child) - classical pink). Soldiers in Battlescene must have pink ballet shoes with the elastics sewn on the shoes and the bows taped to the inside of the shoes. Russian girls must have white tights (Capezio #15 or #3C (child) - white).
- *All party scene boys & Polichinell boys must have long white socks or white tights to go under the knickers and black ballet shoes. Russian and Party Scene men must have long black dress socks.

Pictures

Ed MacPherson will be taking individual pictures during production week on November 30th & December 1st from 4-5pm. You may purchase pictures directly from his website. Photo CD - \$7.00. Please use the sign-up sheet for your child's name and the pictures that you would like to purchase (except for the group photo). All individual group photos will be taken on Wednesday December 2nd during rehearsal. You are permitted to take pictures backstage.

Video Taping

Videotaping and cameras are prohibited during production week. This is for the safety of the dancers and audience members. The show is being professionally videotaped by BB Media Productions. You may purchase a DVD for \$24.95 including shipping (all orders will be mailed.) If you place an order after 12/6/08 there is a \$5.00 price increase. You can order online at www.bbmediapro.com/dvd using PayPal. You may also pick-up an order form and pay by check. If you are interested in purchasing a VHS copy you will need to contact BB Media Productions directly at 903-216-4779.

Costume Care

- *Make sure your name is in your costume after every rehearsal and performance.
- *Make sure that your costume is properly hung on the hanger.
- *Do not throw the costumes on the floor.
- *Do not eat or put makeup on in your costume.
- *Do not take any part of the costume home.
- *If something needs repairing please see Peggy MacPherson or Barbara Williams.

Makeup

Base- a shade darker than your own skin tone
Eyes- brown, white as highlighter, black liquid eyeliner apply on upper and lower lids, black mascara
Cheeks- dark pink
Lips- red lipstick
Apply powder to set makeup
Gentlemen & Boys apply eyeliner, blush, lipstick, and powder.

Hair

Use gel and hairspray to comb back wisps or curls
Bobby pins, hair pins, hair net (same color as hair) to secure buns
Do not use barrettes, scrunchies, or colored bobby pins
All dancers must wear hair in a bun unless told otherwise
Party scene must have hair half pulled back and curly, you may purchase a hairpiece

Miscellaneous

No nail polish
No jewelry including: rings, watches, earrings, necklaces, and bracelets
TJC is not responsible for lost property
Bring extra tights, makeup, hair accessories, safety pins, shoes, needle & thread
Make sure young children have books to read
Bring a mirror
No electrical appliances allowed in the dressing room
Come with hair and makeup done
Eat at least one hour before you arrive
No food or beverage allowed
No panties under tights, the lines show on stage
Put your name in everything you bring and do not bring any valuables with you
Please apply deodorant 1 hour prior to rehearsal and performance.

Cast Party

The Nutcracker cast party will be held in the Apache Rooms 3 and 4 in the Rogers Student Center – TJC main campus on **December 5th immediately following the evening performance.** We would like to invite all cast members including parents, relatives, and friends.

Act I – Scene I

Party Scene

Clara & Fritz Friends
Party Guests
Cats
Clara
Fritz
Grandmother
Mother
Father
Maids
Drosselmeyer
Dolls

Act I – Scene II

Battle Scene

Mice, Mouse Jester
Soldiers
Cats
Mouse King
Prince
Clara
Drosselmeyer
Dolls
Snow

Act II – Scene I

Angels
 Bon Bons
 Drosselmeyer
 Prince
 Clara
 Spanish

Russian
 Chinese
 Arabian
 Marzipan
 Mother Ginger & Polichinells
 Waltz of the Flowers
 Sugar Plum Fairy

Cavalier

Act II – Scene II

Clara
 Mother
 Father
 Drosselmeyer

School Shows

There are two schools shows scheduled for Dec. 4th. The first show is at 9:30am and the second show is 1pm. Call for the show is at 8:45am. Please pack a lunch for your child so they can eat in between the shows. The students will be finished with the second show about 2pm. Please pick-up your child promptly at 2pm. A note will be faxed to the principals on November 23rd asking for cast members to be excused for educational reasons. Cast for the schools shows include: **Battle Scene (Mice, Mouse Jester, Soldiers, Cats, Dolls, Mouse King, and Prince) & Act II – Scene I.**

Dressing Room Assignments

FA 101 – Mice, Soldiers, Angels, Cats

FA 102 – Party Scene Ladies, Clara/Fritz friends, Snow, Russian, Polichinells, Chinese, Spanish, Marzipan, Waltz (Room A-Robin Westby/ Natalie Sampson, Room B- Malorie Forney/Jane Post/Yayoi Jones, Room D- Beth Bennett/Shelby Anderson)

FA 103 – Men & Boys

Please see signs outside the door for specific dressing room assignments.

Volunteers

Please arrive with the cast at the specified call time. Make sure you receive your name tag and wear it at all times. Please turn in your name tag to Ashlee Persing after each rehearsal and performance.

Tickets

December 4th – 7:30pm - \$9 Children(under 12), TJC Students & Senior Citizens, \$12 General Admission

December 5th – 2pm Matinee & 7:30pm - \$9 Children(under 12), TJC Students & Senior Citizens, \$12 General Admission

December 6th – 2pm Matinee, \$9 Children(under 12), TJC Students & Senior Citizens, \$12 General Admission

Tickets go on sale November 9th at the TJC cashier's office (903)510-2672.

There are no Academy classes the week of November 30th - December 4th, due to "Nutcracker."

Parent Observation/Spring Semester

Parent observation is December 7th – 10th.

Spring Semester begins January 11th. You can register on December 1st by calling the West Campus at 903-510-2900.

Production Week Schedule

- 11-30-09
Monday Warm-up CI, CII, D, & College Advanced 4:15-5pm. **Call is 4:45pm.**
Rehearsal will be from 5-9pm. Please pick up your children promptly at 9pm in the parking lot behind FA 104. They will be watched until you arrive. **Act I Only, Full Makeup, Costumes, & Hair.**
- 12-1-09
Tuesday Warm-up CI, CII, D, & College Advanced 4:15-5pm. **Call is 4:45pm.**
Rehearsal will be from 5-9pm. Please pick up children promptly at 9pm in the parking lot behind FA 104. They will be watched until you arrive. **Act II Only, Full Makeup, Costumes, & Hair.**
- 12-2-09
Wednesday Warm-up CI, CII, D, & College Advanced 4:15-5pm. **Call is 4:45pm.**
Rehearsal will be from 5-9pm. Please pick up your children promptly at 9pm in the parking lot behind FA 104. They will be watched until you arrive. **FULL DRESS REHEARSAL. FULL CAST. FULL MAKE-UP, COSTUMES, & HAIR.**
- 12-3-09
Thursday Warm-up CI, CII, D, & College Advanced 4:45-5:30pm. **Call is 5:30pm.**
Dress rehearsal will be from 6-9pm. Please pick up children promptly at 9pm in the parking lot behind FA 104. They will be watched until you arrive. **FULL DRESS REHEARSAL. FULL CAST. FULL MAKE-UP, COSUTMES, & HAIR.**
- 12-4-09
Friday **Call is at 8:45am for Battle Scene and Act II – Scene I.** The first
School Show show is at 9:30am and the second show is at 1pm. The students
will be finished at 2pm. **Full makeup, Costumes, & Hair.**
- 12-4-09
Friday Even. Warm-up for levels CI, CII, D, & College Advanced 5:30-6pm. **Call is 5:15pm.**
Call is 6:30pm for Mice, Angels, Cats, Soldiers, Party Scene Guests and Polichinells. Performance 7:30pm for **FULL CAST.** Opening night. Estimated ending time is 10pm. Please pick up children promptly at close of show. They will be watched until you arrive.
- 12-5-09
Saturday Mat. Warm-up for levels CI, CII, D, & College Advanced 12-12:30pm. **Call is 11:45am.**
1pm for Mice, Cats, Angels, Soldiers, Party Scene Guests, and Polichinells. Performance 2pm for **Full Cast.** Estimated ending time is 4:00pm. Please pick-up children in the parking lot behind FA 104. They will be watched until you arrive
- 12-5-09
Saturday Even. Warm-up for levels CI, CII, D, & College Advanced 5:30-6pm. **Call is 5:15.**
6:30pm for Mice, Cats, Angels, Soldiers, Party Scene Guests, and Polichinells. Performance 7:30pm for **FULL CAST.** Estimated ending time is 10pm, with **cast party** immediately following the performance.
- 12-06-09
Sunday Warm-up for levels CI, CII, D, & College Advanced 12-12:30pm. **Call is 11:45am**
1pm for Mice, Cats, Angels, Soldiers, Party Scene Guests, and Polichinells. Performance 2pm for **FULL CAST.** Estimated ending time is 4pm. Please pick-up children in the parking lot behind FA 104. They will be watched until you arrive.
Make sure your costumes and any props are returned to their proper place.

*Mice, mouse jester, Soldiers, Cats, Angels will be dismissed by 7:30pm November 30th – December 3rd
*Rehearsal times are subject to changes for cast members ages 12 and up