



# The Elite Dance Center & Ballet Elite Presents: “The Nutcracker”

It’s time for our annual “Nutcracker” performance! We are thrilled to offer your dancers the opportunity to present a performance back on the stage in this Christmas classic.

Bellow you will find the classes participating in the Nutcracker. The Ballet Elite classes are Intensive (i) level classes and many of those classes are participating. Some of these will remain technique classes. If your student is in an (i) level class, participation is mandatory, or you will need to switch your class.

Choreography for group numbers will be completed in class. There will be a few weekend rehearsals for run- throughs closer to the date. **(PLEASE SEE SCHEDULE ON THE LAST PAGE)**

Classes have been assigned for group routines and will not have to audition to be a part of The Nutcracker production. (Soloists have already auditioned) The Cast list is attached.

Dancers must be available for all additional rehearsals and performances. If you’re not available for the rehearsal please do not sign up, as these are mandatory.

**PARTICIPATING IN OUR SHOWS IS ASSUMED. YOU MUST LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE NOT PARTICIPATING. PLEASE LET THE OFFICE STAFF KNOW ASAP.**

*The Nutcracker performance is a required team event for Elite Dance Company, Dance Company, Dance Team, and Future Stars. You must participate in all Holiday and/or Recital Events.*

## **Performing Dates:**

*Students remain backstage for the whole show. No student gets to leave when they are done.  
This is for the safety of our dancers.*

**Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup> 2021**

**Call Time: 6:15pm - Show #1: 7:00pm-9:30pm**

**YOU MUST ARRIVE AT “CALL TIME” 45 MINUTES BEFORE YOUR SHOWTIME WITH HAIR AND MAKEUP DONE, ALREADY IN TIGHTS, COSTUMES WILL BE GIVEN OUT AND RETURNED SAME DAY. No costumes should be taken home.**

**Party Scene: Please arrive in costume “Party Wear”.**

**PERFORMANCE LOCATION:**

**Agoura Hills Performing Arts Center**

28545 W Driver Ave  
Agoura Hills, CA 91301

**Technical Rehearsal:**

(Once your dancer has run through their dance they will be released to go.)

**Tech rehearsal: Held at Theatre**

**Thursday, December 16th**

**Call Time: 3:15pm - Tech Rehearsal: 4:00-10:00pm**

Students will need to be pulled out of school early to make it to rehearsal.

\*Costumes only and Hair (Bun) only – No stage makeup needed.

*The tech rehearsal will be in a specific order. A list will go out closer to rehearsal.*

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**Dress Rehearsal:**

(Once your dancer has run through their dance they will be released to go.)

**Dress Rehearsal: Held at Theatre**

**Friday, December 17th**

**Call Time: 4:45pm - Times: 5:30pm – 9:00pm**

Rehearsal will be run in performance order.

\*ALL Students in the show must arrive in full hair, makeup, and costume ready to go.

**PLEASE ARRIVE AT YOUR "CALL TIME" 45 MINUTES BEFORE YOUR DRESS REHEARSAL START TIME;  
WITH HAIR AND MAKEUP DONE.**

(Nutcracker dancers will pick-up costumes at check-in;  
except for Party Scene Boys and Girls, who should arrive in costume.)

\*Students participating in the party scene will need to get their own party dress clothing to wear.  
*Girls dress in party dresses, boys in slacks and a button up shirt. Girls will be cast to play boys.*

Rehearsals are mandatory; your child will not be able to participate in the performance without attending the rehearsal. Please be on time as we are on a tight schedule.

**Dress Rehearsal Admittance: DUE TO COVID**

Due to the strict capacity rules at the theater, only ONE parent/guardian per FAMILY will be admitted into Dress Rehearsal. We will sign in each student with their (1) adult at the door. You may bring any younger sibling, BUT we cannot have kids running around during rehearsal.

You may take photos and video at Dress Rehearsal ONLY, absolutely no photography or video will be permitted during the Recital. For Dress Rehearsal, only water is permitted in the theater. Please enjoy food and drinks in the lobby.

### **Price of Participation**

All payments towards participating must be paid in full by Tuesday, October 25th.  
PARTICIPATION IS ASSUMED UNLESS YOU OPT-OUT

\$50 - Participation fee

\$15 - 1 Pair of Tights (ballet pink tights for all dancers. ANGELS will receive white tights)

\$40 - Per costume rental

\$40 - Per soloist costume rental (your account will be billed accordingly)

\*Students participating in the "Party Scene" will need to get their own party dress clothing to wear. *Girls dress in party dresses, boys in slacks and a button up shirt. Girls will be cast to play boys.*

### **TICKETS:**

Tickets will go on sale *November 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am.*

Tickets are \$20/\$25 per ticket; pricing is based on tier seating (\$2 service fee online). All seating is assigned.

### **JEWELRY:**

NO JEWELRY PLEASE. Only earring studs are allowed for performance.

### **HAIR & MAKEUP:**

Competition Team Members: will just do the standard team makeup.

Under the bright stage lights, facial features get washed out and makeup helps the audience see the dancers' faces more clearly. Good stage makeup should look exaggerated, dramatic, and bold. You'll need foundation, eyeliner, mascara, eye shadow, blush and bright red or pink lipstick. Parents with dancers UNDER 8 YEARS OLD can omit foundation and eyeliner.

Hair should be pulled back neatly with all fly-away hairs slicked back with gel and hairspray into a bun. It is easiest to manage hair that is damp and has gel worked through it before trying to secure into a bun or ponytail.

For more information on proper hair and makeup application, please refer to our **Recital Instructional Video**, we will send out a link closer to show time.

### **SHOES & TIGHTS: Tights are now included in the participation fee. (Tights sold in Twirl)**

Each dancer will receive a pair of Pink balara ballet tights (students in Angels scene will received a pair of white tights). You will receive the fresh pair of tights FOR PERFORMANCE ONLY. Please have a pair of pink balara tights for the technical and dress rehearsals.

All female performers will wear the pink ballet shoes and/or pink pointe shoes.

All male performers will wear black ballet shoes. And receive a pair of black pants (instead of tights).

### **COSTUMES: Rental only for Nutcracker.**

Costumes will be organized by the studio for all run through and rehearsals. Upon checking in the students will be given their costumes to change into. All costumes need to be returned before leaving.

### **COVID PREPARED:**

All students participating in the event will need to show a NEGATIVE COVID test (PCR TEST) by 12/9, must be submitted within 72hrs of the dress rehearsal in order to participate Vaccinated or Not Vaccinated. We are taking extra precautions to keep our community safe for the holidays.

*\*Please note the theatre is organized by The Performing Arts Education Centers, Agoura Hills-Calabasas. These protocols are for all of the theaters in our surrounding area.*

- **Performers who are eligible** for the COVID vaccines (ages 12+) must show **proof of vaccination**. We are not permitting any non-vaccinated performer, age 12+, on the stage.
- **Performers who are not eligible** (under 12 for now) must show the **PCR negative test twice in a week**. We will be checking all performers before they enter the theater and once cleared, they are given a wristband or hand stamp that must be worn at all times in the theater.
- **Patrons** can show **vaccination records or 72 hour negative PCR test** to access theater. We are not accepting home or rapid tests.

In light of these policies, we will be keeping the following policies from the Nutcracker original Informational Packet:

- **All dancers** will wear masks for all studio rehearsals, class practices, and technical rehearsal.
- Dress Rehearsal and the show will be performed unmasked. The students will set the mask aside while on stage and will put it back on after their dance is done.
- ALL STUDENTS WILL BE MASKED BACKSTAGE IN THE HOLDING AREAS
- All students participating in the event will need to show a Negative PCR covid test by 12/9, must be submitted within 72hrs or the dress rehearsal, **regardless of vaccination status**.

WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO MAKE ANY CHANGES AS NEW INFO IS RELEASED.  
WE WILL KEEP EVERYONE INFORMED IF NEW THINGS DEVELOP OR CHANGE.  
We will as always make the best decisions for our community.

### **INFO YOU NEED TO KNOW:**

1. Please arrive 45 minutes before your child's show time at the **backstage entrance** with their costume on and a COVERUP! Please note you will not be allowed in the front of house without a cover up on.

We suggest just a comfortable big T-shirt over their costume. They should also have hair and makeup done and be fully ready for performance. Lobby Doors will open ½ hour before your child’s show time.

- For the safety of the children, **NO PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO RECORDING** will be permitted in the theater at any time during the show. And for the courtesy of everyone, **NO ONE IS PERMITTED TO STAND DURING THE PERFORMANCE.**

**\*Professional videographers will record the show and DVDs will be available for purchase.**

- Your child must remain backstage for the entire show. Backstage doors will be closed and there will be no entering during the show. We will inform you if your child needs you.
- If you are scheduled to dance in multiple shows and you do not show up to a show, you will not be allowed to dance in another Elite performance. These are team performances, and the dancers have all worked very hard and are all very excited.
- Please remember ALL of our students have worked incredibly hard for this day. Do not plan on entering late or leaving early, we will close the doors at the start of the show. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. This day belongs to our dancers!

<b>CLASSES NOT PARTICIPATING IN NUTCRACKER - Staying as a Technique Class</b>			
<b>Class</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Teacher</b>
Pre-Pointe	Mon	6:45pm	Lesli
Teen Ballet	Mon	8:30pm	Annie
Ballet 5	Tue	6:30pm	Lesli
Ballet Variations	Tue	7:00pm	Alison
<b>Ballet 1</b>	<b>Tue</b>	<b>8:00pm</b>	<b>Lesli</b>
<b>Ballet 3/4</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>Lesli</b>
<b>Ballet 2/3</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>Lesli</b>
Teen Ballet (int)	Wed	7:30pm	Lesli
Ballet 4/5	Wed	7:30pm	Alison
Pointe 1	Wed	8:45pm	Alison
Ballet 5/PP/Pointe	Thur	6:30pm	Lisa
Ballet Variations	Thur	7:45pm	Lisa
Ballet 1.5/2	Fri	3:30pm	Robson
Ballet Company A	Fri	4:30pm	Robson
Ballet Company B	Sat	10:00am	Robson
Ballet 2	Sat	10:30am	Lesli

# The Nutcracker - Scene List by Class

**ALL Intensive (i) level classes are required to participate in the Nutcracker as part of Ballet Elite**

**ALL Rehearsal dates are mandatory - can be subject to change**

*If your class is not listed and you want to participate in the Nutcracker, we can switch your ballet class*

<b>PARTY SCENE - (You wear your own party dress/boy costume) (ACT #1)</b>				<b>Show Performance</b>
<b>Class</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	
Ballet 3/4 (i) (clara's friends)	Tuesday	5:30pm	Lesli	7:00pm Show
Ballet (9-11) (i) (baby doll dance)	Sat	1:30pm	Lesli	7:00pm Show
<b>BATTLE SCENE (MICE) - (ACT #1)</b>				<b>Show Performance</b>
<b>Class</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	
Ballet 1	Monday	5:30pm	Annie G	7:00pm Show
<b>BATTLE SCENE (SOLDIER) - (ACT #1)</b>				<b>Show Performance</b>
<b>Class</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	
Teen Ballet	Monday	6:30pm	Annie G	7:00pm Show
<b>SNOW - (ACT #1)</b>				<b>Show Performance</b>
<b>Class</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	
Ballet PP/Pointe (i)	Tuesday	5:30pm	Alison	7:00pm Show
Selected additional students				
<b>ANGELS - (ACT #2)</b>				<b>Show Performance</b>
<b>Class</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	
Petite Ballet	Monday	3:30pm	Annie G	7:00pm Show
Petite Ballet	Saturday	8:45am	Talya	7:00pm Show
Ballet 1	Tuesday	3:30pm	Lesli	7:00pm Show
Ballet 1	Saturday	9:00am	Robson	7:00pm Show
<b>TEA/CHINESE (ACT #2)</b>				<b>Show Performance</b>
<b>Class</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	
Ballet 2 (i)	Wednesday	3:30pm	Lesli	7:00pm Show
<b>POLICHINELLE/MOTHER GINGER - (ACT #2)</b>				<b>Show Performance</b>
<b>Class</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	
Ballet 1-2	Monday	4:30pm	Annie G	7:00pm Show
<b>WALTZ OF THE FLOWERS - (ACT #2)</b>				<b>Show Performance</b>
<b>Class</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	
Ballet Company C (i)	Saturday	11:30am	Lesli	7:00pm Show
Pointe 2/3 (i)	Saturday	12:45pm	Lesli	7:00pm Show
<b>CHOCOLATE/SPANISH (ACT #2)</b>				<b>Show Performance</b>
<b>Class</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	
Ballet 3 (i)	Monday	5:30pm	Lesli	7:00pm Show
<b>COFFEE/ARABIAN (ACT #2)</b>				<b>Show Performance</b>
<b>Class</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	
Ballet 4 (i)	Monday	7:30pm	Lesli	7:00pm Show
<b>CANDY CANE/RUSSIAN (Trepak) (ACT #2)</b>				<b>Show Performance</b>
<b>Class</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	
Soloist Only - Jagger				7:00pm Show