

Artistic Director: Tristi A Robinson

“Nutcracker Sweet”

Audition Packet Information 2017

OPEN AUDITIONS

6915 Chital Dr. Midlothian, Va. 23112

Sunday, September 10th

Ages 5-11..... 2:00-3:30pm

Ages 12-adult3:30-5:00pm

OR

Saturday, September 16th

Sunday, September 17th

Ages 5-8.....Saturday, 2:30-3:30pm

Ages 9-12.....Saturday, 3:45-4:45pm OR
Sunday, 1:00-2:30pm

Ages 12-adultSaturday, 5:00-6:30pm OR
Sunday, 1:00-2:30pm

CALL BACKS:Sunday, 2:45-4:00pm
These are by invitation only

Please bring Pointe shoes if you are on Pointe.

PERFORMANCE DATES

December 1st thru 3rd

Manchester High School

12601 Bailey Bridge Rd. Midlothian, Va. 23112



Please bring the following on AUDITION day:

1. Completed Audition and Contract of Commitment Form (signed)
2. Financial Aid or Scholarship form (if you are applying)
3. 4"x6" Head-shot or individual photo
4. Audition Fee - \$10 (Cash or Check)

For information and details, please contact: info@pdmproductionsva.org or
www.pdmproductionsva.org

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“The Nutcracker Sweet”

Thank you for your interest in our production of “The Nutcracker Sweet”, produced by: *PDM Productions*. This packet includes some general information about auditioning and rehearsing for this production. The *Audition Application and Contract of Commitment* form is attached to this packet. **Financial Aid forms** are available as a download at www.PDMproductionsva.org

AUDITIONS:

Arrive at least **30 minutes** prior to your audition time. This will allow time to register, complete pertinent forms and to warm-up. Please arrive dressed in proper dance or movement attire. Bring appropriate footwear. Hair, for females, must be pulled back. Once the doors are closed to the audition, no one will be admitted. *All applicable forms must be completed prior to your audition.*

Please know that the auditions are opened to all who are interested in being in the performance.

- You will be asked to show your full range of skills - *dancing to acting*. Roles are available for all dancers, non-dancers, actors, non-actors, the experienced and the novice, ages 5 to Adult. (Pointe roles are open to dancers 12+)
- Please remember is that you are not auditioning for a “specific role.” You will be cast for roles within your skill level, age group and expertise.

Possible Roles available for Ages 5 to 8: Marie, Fritz, Party Children, Little Mice, Small Soldiers, Angels, Polichinelles

Possible Roles available for Ages 9 to Adult:*(must be 12+ and En Pointe for 1yr for Pointe roles)*

Clara, Fritz, Party Children, Maids, Harlequin Dolls, Soldier Doll, Ribbon Doll, Little Mice, Big Mice, Rat Queen, The Nutcracker Prince, Snow Queen, Snow King, Angels, Polichinelles, Spanish, Arabians, Arabian Lead, Chinese, Russians, Russian Lead, Mirlitons, Flowers, Dew Drops, Sugar Plum Fairy and Cavalier

Possible Roles available for Actors, Non-Dancers and The Novice for Ages 9 to Adult : Big Mice, Party Children, Party Parents, Small Soldiers, Big Soldiers, Mother, Father, Drosselmeyer, Maids and Mother Gigone

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Contract of Commitment

We will be presenting our 5th annual production of “The Nutcracker Sweet” produced by *PDM Productions*. Please read all information before the audition. If you or your child is cast in the production, the Contract of Commitment must be signed. Please look at your schedules carefully before you commit. **Participants must attend all rehearsals that are scheduled.**

Possible Rehearsal Days/Times: Rehearsals will be held at *6915 Chital Drive, Midlothian, 23112* Rehearsals will be held between the following hours and will NOT last longer than 2 hours *PER ROLE*. Saturdays – 12:00 - 7:30pm; Sundays – 10:30-6:30pm; (Fridays, if needed, will be for leads only, from 6:00pm-8:00pm, in a different location.) All times subject to change. Details for rehearsals will be posted on Wednesdays, by 11:00pm.

VERY IMPORTANT!! Please note that if you are cast in the production you WILL have rehearsals every weekend. *There are only 9 weekends, including “Run-Throughs,” before the performance!* Rehearsal days may vary depending on the part/parts that you are cast in. **Beginning in November, you must be available BOTH Saturdays and Sundays. Scenes will be put together.** Everyone’s full cooperation, energy, creativity and help will be needed to fulfill this dream. With this in mind, we take the Contract of Commitment very seriously! **Parents and Teens, please evaluate your activities and decide if you can make this commitment. If a child or an adult participant is sick, we do not want you or your child to come. But please call to let us know. Most importantly, if you do not believe you can fulfill the commitment for the rehearsals, please do not audition. There are only 9 weekends, including “Run-Throughs,” before the performances! With this in mind, please give this very special opportunity careful consideration. This is a family-oriented, community-centered production that will bring cast members together. If your child is cast in this production, it is required that a parent or family member volunteers in some capacity.**

There will be a mandatory meeting for parents and performers: **Friday, September 22nd, from 6:00-8:00pm**

- The meeting will be held in the *Pilates, Dance and More* studio, located at 3122 W. Cary St., in Carytown. (Above the CANCAN restaurant)
- Rehearsal and Performance information.
- All fees will be due.

FEES:

Participation fee is \$245, (Cash/Check Discount = \$240) which includes production costs and costume rental fees. All fees are non-refundable. Make checks payable **PDM Productions, Inc.**

Production Costs (included in Participation Fee): include Technicians, choreographers, facilities and all associated needs.

Costume Rental Fees (included in Participation Fee): include creation or purchase of new costumes and accessories, as well as alterations, repair, replacement and cleaning of existing pieces. All costumes and accessories must be returned in the original condition. **If not returned, there is a \$90.00 fee that will be charged to you.**

Volunteer Fee: If you have a child cast in the production, it is required that a parent or family member volunteer in some capacity. If you are unable to donate your time and energies to the production, you have the option of paying a \$200.00 “Volunteer Fee.” (We prefer to have your time and talents!!) Without the aid of volunteers, we would not be able to produce a show of this size and quality. No amount of time is too small.

Important Dates:

Sun, September 10	Auditions (Ages 5 to Adult)
Sat, September 16	Auditions (Ages 5 to Adult)
Sun, September 17	Auditions (Ages 9 to Adult) CALL BACKS (by invitation only)
Wed, September 20	Results posted
Fri, September 22	Deadline for accepting or declining roles
Fri, September 22	Mandatory Meeting for Parents/Performers 6:30-8:00pm
Sat, September 23	Rehearsals Begin
Sat, October 14	Parent Volunteer sign up deadline
Sun, October 15	Tights, Lollies, Well Wishes, Souvenir Books & T-shirt Orders due
Sat, Nov 4	Ad Sales Fees Due
Sat & Sun, Nov 4 & 5	Mandatory Studio Work-through (TBA)
Fri, Nov 10	Short Pump Mall Santa Arrival Parade/Grand Illumination (Voluntary)(Tentative)
Sat, Nov 11	Ad Sales Artwork due
Sat & Sun, Nov 11 & 12	Mandatory Studio Run-through (TBA)/ Volunteer Meeting
Sat & Sun, Nov 18 & 19	Mandatory Studio Run-through (TBA)
Sat, Nov 25	Holiday –No Rehearsals – SATURDAY ONLY
Sun, Nov 26	Mandatory Studio Run-through (beginning 11am)
Sun, Nov 26	Christmas Gift Exchange (Voluntary)
Mon, Nov 27	Load In and set-up (10:00am-10:00pm)
Tues, Nov 28	Cont. set-up and rehearse in theatre, without costumes (TBA)
Wed & Thurs, 11/29 & 11/30	Mandatory Tech/Dress Rehearsals (3:45-9:30pm)
Fri, Sat & Sun, Dec 1-3	Performances - Friday - 7:00pm, Saturday - 2:00pm and 7:00pm Sunday - 2:00pm

(All dress rehearsals & performances are at Manchester High School)

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*Audition Application and
Contract of Commitment Form*

Audition #	_____
Multiple Roles	_____
Size	_____

Student's Name: _____ Age: _____

Parent's(s') Names: _____

Address: _____

Parent Phone: (H): _____ (C): _____

Parent Email Address: _____

Student Cell Phone: _____

Student Email Address: _____

Student's Dance Studio: _____

How did you hear about this production? Please check all that apply.

Family/Friends _____ Social Media _____

Dance Studio (please specify) _____

Other (please specify) _____

I would like to be "considered" for *MORE* than **one Role**: Yes _____ No _____

(Keep in mind, multiple roles may require Saturday AND Sunday rehearsals.)

Please list ALL *current* and *future* extracurricular activities occurring this Nutcracker season. This includes Dance, Dance Team, Choir, Theatre, Soccer, etc. Please include days of week/times you will be involved:

1) Due to prior commitments, I am aware of a planned absence on the following date(s): _____

Dates may NOT be added after casting results are posted

2) Days I am available to rehearse: Fri. pm ____; Sat. am ____; Sat. pm ____; Sun. am ____; Sun. pm ____

(For the #3-6, please read and initial after each statement)

3) I am aware that I must be available **BOTH Sat. & Sun.** during the month of **November.** _____

4) I am aware of that I must attend ALL MANDATORY rehearsals. including **Studio Run-Throughs** and **Dress Rehearsals.** _____

5) I am aware that more than one planned absence may affect how I am cast in the production. _____

6) I understand that once I accept my role(s) in the production, more than one absence from rehearsal, for reasons other than sickness, **MAY** be cause for dismissal from the production. _____

I have read and agree to the Contract of Commitment. I understand that I am responsible for all associated fees. If there are any unpaid debts, I also understand that I will be responsible for any collection or attorney fees (if applicable). I also agree to make arrangements for attendance to all scheduled rehearsals if my child or I are cast in "The Nutcracker Sweet". (Parent signature is required for participants ages 16 and under.)

Parent Signature: _____ **Date** _____

Student Signature: _____ **Date** _____

If you have any questions about the production, the Contract of Commitment or what it entails, please contact Tristi or Norvell Robinson at info@pdmproductionsva.org

Thank you for your interest in

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