



We are excited to share our 2021 Nutcracker Information with you! Each year, NESD puts on a full Nutcracker production starring our Primary through Advanced level students, local NH dancers & professionals!

Auditions are **Saturday, September 25th** and all NESD ballet students ages 6 & up are invited to attend (Age 5 see below)! Performing Company auditions will immediately follow each age group for students who are interested in more performing experience throughout the year!

**Each NESD Ballet class in the Primary (Ages 5 +), Elementary & Pre-Intermediate Levels will have one piece in The Nutcracker that will be choreographed during their class time.** While 5-year olds will focus on their class piece, **Ages 6 & up** are also encouraged to audition for special roles in the production. Intermediate - Advanced Ballet students are required to attend the audition in order to participate.

## ***2021 Nutcracker Class pieces***

### **Primary & Pre-Elementary:**

- Tuesday Primary Combo - Baby Dolls
- Thursday Primary Combo - Toy Soldiers
- Thursday- Pre-Elementary Ballet - Grandfather Clock Owls (New!)
- Saturday Primary Combo - Lambs

### **Elementary:**

- Monday Elementary Ballet - Angels
- Tuesday Elementary Ballet - Angels

### **Pre-Intermediate:**

- Monday Pre-Intermediate Ballet - Russian Dolls

### **Intermediate / Advanced:**

- Thursday Int/Adv. Ballet - Snowflakes
- Monday Adv. Partnering - Party Teen's & Parent's

## ***September 25th Auditions***

### **Ages 6-8:**

Nutcracker Audition: 11:00-12:00pm

Performing Company Audition: 12:00-12:30pm

<https://www.newenglandschoolofdance.com/nescd-competitive>

### **Ages 9-11:**

Nutcracker Audition: 1:00-2:00pm

Performing Company Audition: 2:00-2:30pm

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### **Ages 12+:**

Nutcracker Audition: 3:00-4:15pm

Performing Company Audition: 4:15-5:00pm

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**Cost: \$25.00 per student** (both Nutcracker & Performing Company portions included in cost. Specify whether your child will be staying for just The Nutcracker Audition or both in the audition form below)

### **Nutcracker Roles Available through Audition Only**

Little Party Children  
Party Children  
Battle Scene Mice  
Soldier Bunny  
Sugar Plums (New!)  
Pollichinelles  
Peppermints  
Soldiers  
Reindeer  
Rats

Candy Canes  
Chinese Tea  
Clara & Fritz's Nannies  
Drosselmeyer  
Drosselmeyer's Assistant  
Grandmother  
Kissing Doll  
Harlequin & Columbine Dolls  
Soldier Doll  
Lead Angel  
Russian Trepak

**The following roles require additional rehearsals & commitment. Those committed to the Performing Company will be considered first.**

Clara  
Fritz  
Mrs. Stahlbaum  
Rat Queen  
Nutcracker  
Snow Queen

Sugar Plum Fairy  
Marzipan  
Spanish Chocolate  
Arabian Coffee  
Dew Drop Fairy  
Flower Corps de Ballet

## ***What to expect***

We approach our auditions in an educational & encouraging manner! After welcoming the students into the studio we will provide guidance on audition etiquette, teach exciting movement combinations & support them as they put their skills to the test. They should exit the audition with a sense of pride in themselves!

- Please arrive fifteen minutes prior to your audition time
- Girls: hair in a neat bun, pink tights, solid color ballet leotard and no excess jewelry
- Boys: fitted black shorts or tights with a white T-Shirt
- Wear ballet shoes into the audition & bring pointe shoes in hand (if on pointe)
- Bring a water bottle
- If staying for Performing Company, bring your jazz shoes! (many shoe sizes available in our second hand boutique for \$5. Proceeds go to our Performing Company!)

### **Nutcracker Rehearsals:**

Rehearsals will be on Fridays & Saturdays starting October 1st - December 18th (show day). A detailed rehearsal calendar will be sent once casting is complete. Younger students usually have one day of rehearsals rather than two.

**Fridays:** Between 5:30 & 9:00

**Saturdays:** Between 11:00 - 2:00 for ages 6-9 & 10:00 - 6:00 for ages 10+

### **Nutcracker Performance Fee:**

The performance fee covers your child's rehearsals and costume rentals. Fees are based on the number of costumes a child will wear in the show:

1 costume: \$25.00

2 costumes: \$50.00

3 or more costumes: \$75.00

### **Nutcracker Dress Rehearsal & Performances:**

December 17th & 18th at The Stockbridge Theatre in Derry, NH

## ***Audition Form***

**Please submit the electronic form no later than September 24th!**

<https://forms.gle/Y6FTj7WEeQJnsE3e7>