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FUNDRAISER for Nutcracker!

When it comes to *The Nutcracker* there is so much a dancer has to be excited about! The exciting dances, the lively music, the excitement of a show all help create the holiday magic and tradition.

One of the most exciting aspects of *The Nutcracker* is the extravagant costuming and scenery. We are working our way toward having the best of these things for our dancers through our costume rental program, and over the years we will be able to build a very nice collection of costumes.

However, we would really like to do something *now* that will bring that extravagance and magic to our show. We would like to invest in the traditional NUTCRACKER and RAT KING heads for this year's production. We would also like to create the magical growing tree of lights for the transformation from Clara's home into the Kingdom of Sweets!

Having these things would make our *Nutcracker* performance even more exciting and magical for our dancers and our audience. Because we keep our performance fees to the bare minimum, we are not able to budget these major purchases into our normal fee system. Which is why Ms. Sharon has organized a fundraiser day for the studio on **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 from 9AM – 1PM!**

More than 15 vendors will be set up at the studio selling a variety of goods and offering information about many businesses and programs in our community. All these vendors are **giving a portion of their sales back to the studio**, and we need people to come out and support this event! Please tell your friends to join you and help our studio improve our *Nutcracker* performance. With the holidays right around the corner, this is a great opportunity to find those unique gifts while supporting your child's passion!



Nutcracker Required Rehearsal Schedule

STUDIO REHEARSALS

Friday, November 18th

ACT I 4:00-5:30

ACT II 5:30-7:00

(No Apprentice Company Class)

Monday, November 28th

ACT I 5:00-6:30

ACT II 6:30-8:00

(No Regular Classes.)

STAGE REHEARSALS

Tuesday, November 29th

ACT II 4:00-7:30

(No Regular Classes at Studio)

Wednesday, November 30th

ACT I 4:00-7:30

(No Classes at Studio EXCEPT Hip Hop)

Regular Classes do not run on these rehearsal dates.

All Jazz Classes make up on Monday, November 28th from 4:00-4:45.

Hip Hop Classes will run as usual.

All other classes will attend Nutcracker Rehearsals in lieu of regular class.



PREPARATION, ATTENDANCE, PUNCTUALITY, AND PARTICIPATION

Help your dancer reach her or his full potential by remembering these things!

Use the Restroom and Dress Before Class

Even if your dancer does not believe that they have to go, please have your dancer try to use the restroom before they begin class. This ensures that your dancer does not have to miss valuable training time and that the class is able to continue uninterrupted. Dancers should also be in full dress code from head to toe before entering the classroom so that they can start class immediately.

Attend Classes and Rehearsals

Missing class always equals missed information and missed opportunity. Consistency is necessary in creating a skilled dancer. Attendance at rehearsals is also necessary for a smooth production. It also teaches dancers about performance. These are valuable lessons for a dancer and help teach commitment, purpose, and teamwork!

Be On Time

In addition to missed information for your dancer,

late entries to class and rehearsals cause interruptions in the concentration of the students. Please help your dancer be on time for classes and rehearsals.

Participate!

We offer many opportunities throughout the year for dancers to work together as a studio family. Taking part in things like performances, fundraisers, camps, conventions, and workshop classes helps your dancer find a sense of camaraderie, belonging, and purpose. Not to mention all the fun we have at these events!

STAGE MOMS

Looking for backstage help for Nutcracker!



Please let us know if you are interested in being a **STAGE MOM** at the Nutcracker Performance this year. Stage moms will remain backstage with the dancers throughout the entire performance. They will only see their group of dancers perform from the side of the stage, but will not need a ticket and will receive a free DVD of the show. Responsibilities are to help keep the dancers calm, quiet, and organized as they wait and travel to and from the stage. Only Stage Moms are allowed backstage during the performance. Space is limited.

BOY OR GIRL?

What do you think Mrs. Sara is going to have?

Be sure to cast your vote in the jar at the front desk!



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PUMPKIN FEST

Saturday, November 5th 12:00pm

The studio will be dancing in the Pumpkin Fest in downtown Statesville. Our performance time will be from 12:00-12:45pm.

Only a select group of classes will be performing in this event since we are only given a short time to set up and perform.

We will be posting the performing classes on the

Studio Bulletin Board as well as the website! Please check to see if your dancer is eligible to perform.

Performing Dancers will need a **studio logo T-shirt** to perform. These are available for purchase at the front desk for \$15 each. Dancers will also be wearing **Black dancewear capris or black booty shorts with caramel tights.**

We are expecting several jazz/ musical theater dances, some advanced tap, belly dance, and Mrs. Natasha and Scott Rankin's Jive Dance for Dancing with the Iredell Stars! We may even have some Nutcracker preview dances!

Please come out and support your studio dancers at this event! Pumpkin Fest is a great way to spend the day!