NUTCRACKER 2023 AUDITION AND PRODUCTION INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

THESE ARE OPEN AUDITIONS

Auditions will take place at the Academy of Dance Arts 70 Apple Street, Tinton Falls, NJ. Please enter for auditions through the Company of Dance Arts entrance, located at the rear of the building

*If dancer is not a student at the Academy of Dance Arts (ADA), please follow age requirements

*ADA (Academy of Dance Arts) students should follow Level requirements when selecting an audition group

AUDITION SCHEDULE:

Saturday 9/9/23 11 AM – 12 PM Children's 1 (MINIMUM AGE 6 at time of audition)

Ages 6-8 and ADA Levels 3 and Level 1 (IF 6 years old or older)

Saturday 9/9/23 12:30 – 2 PM Children's 2

Ages 9-12 and ADA Levels 7 and Level 5 and any Level 3's invited from Children's 1 audition

Sunday 9/10/23 11 AM – 1:30 PM Pre-Teen and Children's 3

Ages 11–13 and ADA Level 9 and any Level 7's invited from Children's 2 audition **1:30 - 4 PM** - Children's 3 call backs (will be notified by artistic staff) – most dancers will be released earlier

Sunday 9/10/23 4:30 – 8 PM Pre-Professionals

Ages 14 – 18 and ADA Levels Advanced, Intermediate *Demi Soloist, Soloist, and Principal Call Backs included in time. some dancers will be released prior to 8 PM.

- ** Pre-registration for auditions is required online on our audition page of the website
- ** All dancers must arrive 45 minutes ahead of audition time for check-in
- ** All dancers must arrive dressed for ballet class in leotard (shorts for boys with t-shirt), tights, hair up, ballet shoes
- ** Mandatory Parent meetings will be held each day of auditions at the start of each audition group

PRODUCTION INFORMATION:

Production Fees:

The cost of mounting this production is substantial, so to help defray some of the cost, we require a production fee of \$ 295 per dancer (\$395 total for 2 or more immediate family members).

In addition, each family is required to provide 2 checks no later than Sunday, Sept 24 as follows:

- \$ 50 cash/ check for cleaning this will be returned once clean-up commitment is completed (one Sunday between Sept 24 and Dec 3; 20 mins to sweep studios with a group of people and empty garbage)
- \$ 200 cash/check for volunteer hours this will be returned once 20 hours of volunteer time is completed

There are many different areas in which to volunteer (including fundraising, driving professional dancers from/to train station, assisting the wardrobe mistress with sewing/alterations, selling ads for Production program, working backstage at the theater, theater security, etc.). We recognize that not every family can commit to the volunteer hours and/or cleaning and accordingly offer the buyout option (the two checks mentioned above).

Participation in The Nutcracker is an exciting experience for both dancers and their families, and we look forward to a wonderful 2023 season!

Please feel free to email <u>coda@codanj.com</u> with any questions that you have or you may contact our Company President, Susan Brennan, on 732-740-3092.