

THE NUTCRACKER

-2014 INFORMATION PACKET-

***AUDITIONS WILL BE HELD SUNDAY OCTOBER 5th***

Pacific School of Dance

303 D Street Coos Bay, OR 97420

***NEW IN 2014 OUR DANCERS WILL HAVE THE HONOR OF PERFORMING WITH EUGENE BALLET COMPANY IN A THIRD SHOW AT THE FLORENCE EVENTS CENTER THE WEDNESDAY PRIOR TO THE DANCE UMBRELLA SPONSORED SHOWS AT THE HALES CENTER ON THE SWOCC CAMPUS IN COOS BAY.***

This is a unique opportunity for dancers in our community to participate in a professional ballet company’s production. The process can be a wonderful learning experience when approached with the proper expectations and parental support.

* **Each part has specific requirements.**  Please note you may be asked to audition for multiple roles or one different than you were expecting.
* **Please carefully review the schedules to avoid conflicts.** Dancers (and their families) are committing to attend all rehearsals and performances. Absences may result in the recasting of the role(s).

**COMMUNICATIONS**

*Check your e-mail frequently as this will be our main method of communication.*

* **QUESTIONS**: **The first place to look for answers to your questions is within this packet**, as most topics are addressed here.If your particular question is not addressed please e-mail [*info@dusco.org*](mailto:info@dusco.org)
* **UPDATES & INFORMATION:** *All communication from Dance Umbrella South Coast Oregon will be sent to the primary e-mail addresses you provide when registering for auditions.*
* **Pacific School of Dance generously donates rehearsal space for The Nutcracker rehearsals. *Pacific School of Dance is not responsible for reporting absences regarding The Nutcracker.***

**AUDITIONS –** *fees, times, roles, requirements, attire & orientation meeting*

*Please remember to arrive 30 minutes before your scheduled audition time.*

**ALL AUDITIONS WILL TAKE PLACE SUNDAY OCTOBER 5TH, 2014**

AT PACIFIC SCHOOL OF DANCE – 303 D STREET COOS BAY, OR 97420

**AUDITION FEE OF $10** cash or check made payable to Dance Umbrella for South Coast Oregon (DUSCO)

* **WALTZ OF THE FLOWERS: NOON – 1:00PM**

**\****Ballet Pacific members only or by invitation*

* **PARTY CHILDREN: 1:00PM – 2:30PM**

*Ages 11-15 and currently enrolled in third consecutive year of ballet technique, minimum*

* **BON BONS: 2:30PM – 3:30PM**

*Ages 9-11 and currently enrolled in second consecutive year of ballet technique class, minimum*

* **ANGELS: 3:30PM – 4:00PM**

*Ages 7-9 and currently enrolled in a ballet technique class*

*\*Preparatory ballet students with instructor recommendation only*

* **BABY MICE: 4:00PM – 4:30PM**

*Ages 5-7 and currently enrolled in a preparatory ballet class*

**AUDITION ATTIRE**

* **Boys:** white shirts and dance tights or shorts & black ballet slippers or jazz shoes
* **Girls:** pink or black leotard, pink dance tights and pink ballet slippers.

*\*Hair should be secured neatly into a bun.*

**ORIENTATION MEETING**

* Meetings will be held immediately following the release of each cast audition.
* This is an important informational meeting for all parents and their dancers cast in a role or as an understudy.
* Please plan on staying for this brief meeting.

**ATTENDANCE**

*Attendance is required at all scheduled activities for your role(s).*

* **All dancers cast, including understudies must attend all rehearsals.**
* **Absence from rehearsal may be cause for replacement.**
* **In case of an illness or mandatory school event that may result in an absence DUSCO must be notified as soon as possible.**

**\*** *A physician’s note or school note may be requested*

**REHEARSALS –** *dates, times and locations*

**ALL REGULAR REHEARSALS WILL TAKE PLACE**

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* **WALTZ OF THE FLOWERS:** Fridays 4:00-6:30, during regular rehearsal

*October 10th, 17th, & 24th NO REHEARSAL ON HALLOWEEN*

*November 7th & 14th*

*FLORENCE DRESS REHEARSAL-Wednesday November 19th at approximately 4:00pm*

*HALES CENTER DRESS REHEARSAL- Saturday November 22nd time TBD*

* **PARTY CHILDREN:** Fridays 6:00-7:30,

*October 10th, 17th, & 24th NO REHEARSAL ON HALLOWEEN*

*November 7th & 14th*

*FLORENCE DRESS REHEARSAL Wednesday November 19th at approximately 4:00pm*

*HALES CENTER DRESS REHEARSAL- Saturday November 22nd time TBD*

* **BON BONS:** Fridays 4:00-5:00, studio B

*October 10th, 17th, & 24th NO REHEARSAL ON HALLOWEEN*

*November 7th & 14th*

*FLORENCE DRESS REHEARSAL Wednesday November 19th at approximately 3:00pm*

*HALES CENTER DRESS REHEARSAL- Saturday November 22nd time TBD*

* **ANGELS:** Fridays 5:00-5:30, studio B

*October 10th, 17th, & 24th NO REHEARSAL ON HALLOWEEN*

*November 7th & 14th*

*FLORENCE DRESS REHEARSAL Wednesday November 19th at approximately 3:00pm*

*HALES CENTER DRESS REHEARSAL- Saturday November 22nd time TBD*

* **BABY MICE: (CAST A)** Fridays 4:00-4:45, studio C

**(CAST B)** Fridays 4:45-5:30, studio C

*October 17th, & 24th NO REHEARSAL ON HALLOWEEN*

*November 7th & 14th*

*Our Baby Mice will not be performing in the Florence Performance*

*HALES CENTER DRESS REHEARSAL- Saturday November 22nd time TBD*

**PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS*,***

*Thank you in advance for your support and time.*

**ADVERTISEMENTS & DONATIONS:**

* We are requesting that each family bring in at least one advertisement for the program and/ordonations.
* Forms for both of these will be handed out during the orientation meeting following the auditions

**OPT-OUT FEE:**

* If you would rather pay the opt-out fee of $40, please remit payment on or before rehearsal Friday October 17th.

**PERFORMANCE & TICKET INFORMATION**

*NEW IN 2014 WE HAVE THE HONOR OF PERFORMING WITH EUGENE BALLET COMPANY IN A THIRD SHOW IN FLORENCE.*

**FLORENCE:**

Wednesday November 19th 7:30 pm - Florence Events Center

* *Dance Umbrella is not involved in selling tickets for this show. Ticket information can be found online at* [*www.eugeneballet.org*](http://www.eugeneballet.org)

**COOS BAY:**

Saturday November 22nd 3:00 pm & 6:30 pm Hales Center for the Performing Arts Southwestern Oregon Community College Campus

* **Tickets available in October.** 
  + Online @ *[www.dusco.org](http://www.dusco.org)*
  + Checkerberry’s Flowers & Gifts
  + Pacific School of Dance
* **Dance Umbrella will be offering each family of a dancer(s) cast a total of 4 tickets at the reduced price of $10 each.** These must be purchased NO LATER than Friday November 7th. Additional tickets may be purchased at the following prices.
* **General Admission**

Advance: $20

At the Door: $25

12 and Under: $15

* If an understudy does not dance, he or she may stay with the other dancers in the dressing area or will be offered a seat in the audience to watch the performance.
* Baby mice are allowed to sit with their families after the intermission. They are allowed to sit in a lap, or a seat may be purchased for them. Due to the cost to bring Eugene Ballet to the Bay Area and Dance Umbrella’s goal to keep the ticket prices affordable we must charge for each seat filled.