

2021 Nutcracker Audition Information

Dear Dancers and Parents:

Olney Ballet Theatre is happy to announce open auditions for children's roles for the 2021 production of Mary Day's "The Nutcracker"..

Auditions for most of the children's roles will begin on Saturday October 9th and Sunday October 10th at the Berrend Dance Centre. **Most roles require attendance at BOTH days of auditions as indicated below.** Detailed schedules for all audition days are at the end of this announcement.

Call backs are on Saturday, October 16th and Sunday, October 17th.

100% attendance at all rehearsals and performances is required to participate in the Nutcracker. Absences based solely on necessity MAY be considered in advance by the Director, but they must be indicated on the Audition Registration Form. However, be aware that requested absences may result in your dancer not being cast in this year's production.

Audition requirements

General

Girls ages 8 & up with 3 or more years of dance training for most roles; for Angels prep for ballet and elementary ballet levels.

Boys ages 5 – 13, some stage experience helpful

Roles and Heights

Angels— Girls Height: 3'4" - 4'1"

Little Mice— Girls / Boys Height: 4'3" - 4'7"

Party Girls— Girls Height: 4'0" - 5'2"

Soldiers— Girls / Boys Height: 4'10" - 5'1"

Big Mice— Girls / Boys Height: 4'8" - 5'4"

Party Boys— Boys Height: 4' - 5'3"

****Please check the height requirements of all the children's roles---you are encouraged to audition for several parts---not everyone can be in the Party Scene! Auditions for other children's roles will be held at later date to include China Doll, Teddy Bear, Gigogne Children, and Candy Canes.**

Audition schedule for Saturday, October 9th as follows:

****Please arrive at least 30 minutes before audition starts****

12:45-1:45 Soldiers (Must attend both audition dates)

2:00-3:00 Little Mice (Must attend both audition dates)

3:15-4:15 Party Girls (Must attend both audition dates)

4:30-5:30 Big Mice (Audition on Saturday only)

*For BDC students—If you have a modern or jazz class during these audition times please take part of your class or rejoin your class after the audition. Once we have the casting settled we will arrange the rehearsals to minimize conflicts with classes.

Auditions schedule for Sunday, October 10th as follows:

****Please arrive at least 30 minutes before audition starts****

1:00-2:00 Little Mice

2:00-3:00 Party Girls

3:00-4:00 Soldiers

4:00-4:45 Party Boys (Audition on Sunday only)

Callbacks/Placement (Times TBD)

**Callbacks and more auditions will be held on Saturday, October 16th
(Times TBD)**

****Please arrive at least 15 minutes before audition starts****

Angels Audition

Little Mice Callback

Soldier Callback

Big Mice Callback

**Callbacks and more auditions will be held on Sunday, October 17th
(Times TBD)**

****Please arrive at least 15 minutes before audition starts****

Angels

Candy Canes Audition (Height: 4'8 - 5'4")

*BDC Level 5 and up

Party Girls Callback

Party Boys Callback

Mandatory Parent Meeting Time and Date TBD

Annual meeting for dancers and parents. One parent and the dancer are required to attend.

Rehearsals and Casting

Casting will be posted and Rehearsals will begin on Saturday and Sunday, October 23rd and 24th.