

## Miss Margene's Nutcracker 2024

Granger High School Friday Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>---6:30pm

And Saturday, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> 12:00 noon matinee

Our 37<sup>th</sup> annual production of THE NUTCRACKER is almost here!!!

\*\*\*\*ALL children are in both Friday & Saturday Performances!!!

\*\*\*Please read this note in full:

Pictures went wonderfully!!! Your dancers were more than beautiful! Thank you, parents!!! Your online payments were prompt and so helpful in keeping things organized and correct.

Thank you to our more than amazing photographer, Julie Best Parsons!! She is a dancer herself and has such a wonderful eye! She took thousands of shots of your talented dancers!!!

\*\*\*\*Pictures will be available for pick-up during dress rehearsals at Granger.

Thank you all for supporting our fundraisers!!!! I am so grateful! Our rental contract with Granger High School is expensive, yet reasonable.

We have earned about half of our \$11,000.00, so please help sell, sell, sell tickets!!!

\*\*\*Tickets are available to purchase at the studio, starting on Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup>!!

\*\*\*TICKETS: ALL NUTCRACKER TICKETS ARE \$8.00---\$10.00 at the Door

I WILL SEND HOME 1 COMPLIMENTARY TICKET the week of November 18<sup>th</sup> for Moms to bring their Dancer for each performance. This ticket will allow 1 parent to bring their dancers in and out for both performances. You will need to purchase a ticket for the other parent and guests.

YOU MAY PURCHASE MORE TICKETS EITHER FROM THE STUDIO OR AT THE DOOR. PLEASE HELP US SELL AS MANY AS YOU CAN!!!

WE ARE ASKING EACH FAMILY TO PLEASE SELL AT LEAST 8 to 10 TICKETS.

These are your instructions & details for the next 3 weeks:

\*\*\*REMINDER...Starting This Week:

\*\*\*Marzipan, Fishies, & Sugar Plum Fairies please remember your important extra evening rehearsals the next 3 weeks.

They will still have their regular classes during the week!!!!

“Marzipan”---Previous Claras will rehearse on Tuesday evenings from 8:15-8:40 beginning Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>

“Fishies” & “Sea Horses”--- Tuesday, 9:00 Class will have 3 extra rehearsals to dance with their older “Ocean” Big Sisters. They will be on Wednesdays---Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, & 27<sup>th</sup> from 4:15-5:15

“Sugar Plum Fairies” & Adagio--- Tuesday, 11:30 Class will have 4 extra rehearsals to dance with their older “Sugar Plum” Big Sisters. They will be on Tuesdays---Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> & Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5:15-6:15

**Older "Snow": Tuesday 7:15 class will have rehearsals: Wednesdays—Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> from 4:15-5:15**

**"Party Scene" Girls & Boys Dance" will have rehearsals:**

Thursdays, Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> from 6:00-8:00

Saturdays, Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10:00am-12:00noon

Wednesday Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> ---7:00-9:00

**"Mice & Soldiers" will have rehearsals:**

Saturdays, Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> & from 8:00am-10:00am

Mice & Soldiers Owl & Claras will Rehearse: (Wed. 5:15 & 6:15 classes)

**\*\*\*Their Wednesday classes from now on will be:**

\*\*\*Mice come from 5:15-6:45

\*\*\*Soldiers come from 5:45-7:15

Saturday Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>---8:00-10:00

Saturday Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> ---8:00-10:00

\*\*\*Wednesday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>---5:15-7:15---Mice & Soldiers

**\*\*\*Thanksgiving Week: ALL Regular afternoon & evening classes Monday through Wednesday. & GIFT EXCHANGE THIS WEEK!!**

**\*\*\*This year, we are doing our traditional small gift exchange with our dancers during their regular class time during the week of November 25<sup>th</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> at the studio...**

**Please send a small wrapped gift----\$6.00 or under, to exchange with a member of their dance class to their regular dance class that week.**

**Our dancers fondly look forward to this tradition each year and it is a special bonding time for their class.**



**\*\*\*NUTCRACKER WEEK\*\*\***



**Nutcracker Week: Rehearsals will be at the STUDIO on Monday & Tuesday**

**\*\*\*\*NO COSTUMES!!!**

**Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> ---STUDIO---Please note some time changes:**

9:00-9:45---Teddy Bear Boys & Girls

11:30-12:15---Peppermints

4:00-5:00---Puffoons---Ocean & Fishies & Sea Horses---Taiwanese

5:00-6:15---Forest & Forest Guardians---Spanish---Paiges

6:00-8:00---Party Scene Boys & Girls---Court Jesters---Ballerina

8:00-10:00---Mice & Soldiers---Claras & Owl

**Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> ---STUDIO---Please note some time changes:**

9:00-9:45---Fishies & Sea Horses

11:30-12:15---Sugar Plum Fairies

4:00-5:30---Waltz of the Flowers & Waltz of the Petite Flowers— Sugar Plum Fairies & Older Sugar Plum---Adagio

5:30-6:30---Snow & Snow Sprites---Chinese

6:30-7:30---Chocolate---Arabian---Japanese

7:30-8:00---Marzipan

8:00-10:00---River Dance---Russian & Perriot

**\*\*\*WED. DEC. 4<sup>TH</sup> ---3:45-9:00---DRESS REHEARSAL IN COSTUMES AT GRANGER HIGH SCHOOL**

**3580 South 3600 West**

**3:45---Party Scene-On Stage!!! Party Girls & Boys---**

Perriot Dolls---Dancing Teddy Bears---Court Jesters---Ballerina Doll

**4:30---Mice & Soldiers & Owl & Prince**

**5:30---Forest Guardians--Forest---Ocean & Fishies & Sea Horses Snow & Snow Sprites**

**6:30---Everyone for Finale' Practice**

**6:30-9:30--- Sugar Plum & Sugar Plum Fairies—Adagio—Paiges---Marzipan---Peppermint**

Candies---Chocolat---Taiwanese---Japanese---

Chinese---Arabian---Riverdance---Puffoons---Spanish---Russian---Petite Waltz---Waltz of the Flowers

**\*\*\*THURS. DEC. 5<sup>TH</sup> ---3:45---9:00---DRESS REHEARSAL AT GRANGER HIGH SCHOOL-----SAME SCHEDULE AS WEDNESDAY'S SCHEDULE ABOVE !**

**\*\*\*Please remember that the second night's rehearsal goes much faster than the first night and to be right on time....(even 15 minutes earlier)**

\*\*\*When you arrive at **Granger H.S.**, you may park in the parking lot South of the school. Walk in through the main doors and go directly to the Auditorium.

There you will find your dancers from your class sitting together. This is where they will wait for their dance to go on stage.

When it is time for your dance to be backstage...please go to the "check in table" just like at Spring Concert.

**PLEASE----PLEASE---PLEASE---**

**\*\*\*For Classes 6<sup>th</sup> grade and under---I will need at least 4 different mother helpers for each class for Both rehearsals and Both Performances.**

**2 mother helpers will cover 1 dress rehearsal and 1 performance. This is so you may watch your dancers at least one of the performances.**

**Please text Miss Margene at 801-557-0429.**

Please let me know if you can help. I will also have a sign-up list. The more people who help makes it easier for all of us.

The dancers may watch each other dance for the rehearsals and are free to leave when their dance **and finale'** is finished.

**There can be no children running in the halls or up the isles!!!**

**NO FOOD IS ALLOWED IN THE AUDITORIUM!!!** And please help us keep the auditorium as clean as we found it.

**NO EATING IN COSTUMES!!!!** If your dancer needs a snack---WATER & SODA CRACKERS, PRETZLES, OR FRUIT SNACKS.

Dancers, please make sure you have your proper leotards underneath so as to be modest while changing.

Parents- please find sitters for younger ones-We love them, but babes in arms are not welcome at rehearsals or performances---it makes it too hard. Thank-you!

**\*\*\*I AM ALSO IN NEED OF 4 PARENT VOLUNTEERS FOR THE TICKET TABLE FOR EACH PERFORMANCE from 5:45-6:45 ON Friday and from 11:15-12:15 on Saturday.**

**Please call or text Miss Margene at 801-557-0429.**

**You will receive 1 extra ticket for working the ticket tables.**

**\*\*\*  PERFORMANCES---Friday-DEC. 6th---6:30 pm**

**&  Saturday---DEC. 7th ---12:00 noon---matinee**

**\*\*\*\*ALL children are in both Thursday & Friday Performances!!!**

\*\*\*Please arrive by 5:30 on Friday & 11:00 on Saturday in costume and make-up (eye shadow, blush, lipstick).

**Party Scene (Court Jesters, Teddy Bears, Ballerina) through Snow needs to meet in the Little Theater Holding Room.**

Fishies & Snow Sprites may sit with their mothers until after the party scene---Then you may bring them back stage.

**The second half of the show may sit with their families until after intermission and then each dance should come back stage 4 dances before their dance to get their head pieces & accessories.**

**\*\*\*You must pick up your dancer immediately after they dance---They will be at the same place that you drop them off.**

**\*\*\*We are the same backstage system as the last 4 years....You will bring your dancer back stage out the back of the auditorium----**

**check them in with a parent and then return to check them out at the same place -----IMMEDIATELY AFTER THEY DANCE.**

This entire production is **MAGICAL** and I would like the children to see the entire show at least one, if not both of the performances.

Only leave and return from the North door at the back of the auditorium, being as quiet as possible, so as not to disturb the audience.

**PLEASE LEAVE & RETURN INBETWEEN DANCES ONLY. Thank-You.**

Parents...Please...Please...Please....Be courteous to the audience around you!!!

**You may not take videos and pictures during the actual performances!!!**

This is a professional performance....your dancers work very hard to prepare a quality production and you parents deserve a courteous audience as well....without people trying to take pictures on cell phones, etc. Thank you.

**There will be a professional DVD made of each performance for you to order from Gerry Graves---801-699-5524. I will email you an order form.**

**\*\*\*Costume return** will be immediately following the final performance on Saturday Afternoon. **No exceptions!!!!**

There will be a charge of \$10.00 per costume if it is not returned that night! The bags for Costume Return will be in the Hall where you drop off your dancer to go back stage.

Please bring a change of clothes for your dancers. Make sure it is checked off the return list. It makes it too hard to put individual costumes away after they are cleaned & put away.

\*\*\*No Parents, please during final rehearsals at the studio!!! Space is limited, so please drop off your children and run some errands ---it is hard to have rehearsals with lobby noise—Thank-You!!!

**\*\*\*I will let the younger classes off the front of the stage after the finale' to their parents for an easier pick-up after the performances.**

Tuition is still the same amount for December...Your dancers actually receive more classes with extra rehearsals & performances.

Please make sure December Tuition is paid in full by Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> because I don't see you after the Nutcracker until the week of January 6<sup>th</sup> when classes start up again.

Thank you & Much Love,

 Miss Margene & Faculty