

**Dance Connection Nutcracker 2018
Master Rehearsal Schedule**

***All choreography is taught within the first two rehearsals. They must not be missed for any reason.
Costume fitting in L5 with Lawan will happen before or after the second rehearsal unless noted otherwise.*

DAY	DATE	TIME	ROLE	TEACHER	ROOM
SAT	8/25	AUDITION 9:30-11:00 11:00-12:30	ARRIVE 30 MIN EARLY TO CHECK IN Level 3-4 & Pointe I Auditions in J4 Level V-VI and Pointe II Auditions in J4 ALL level 3-6 dancers audition during these regular class times for Trainee Company and Ballet Company on the first day of class.	Staff	J4
SUN	8/26	1:00-2:30	Sugar Plum Fairy Choreography	Amy	J4
FRI	9/7- 11/16	6:15-6:45	Sugar Plum Fairy *Every Friday* <i>Except on 9/21</i>	Amy	J4
SAT	9/8- 10/13	9:30-11:00 11:00-12:30 12:30-1:15 1:15-2:00 11:00-12:30 12:30-2:00 2:00-3:00 3:00-4:00 4:00-4:30 2:00-5:00	<i>Trainee Nutcracker Corps Class –flat</i> <i>Trainee Company Rehearsal</i> Garland Girls Spanish Corps <i>Ballet Co/Nutcracker Corps Class –pointe</i> <i>Ballet Company Rehearsal</i> Snow Corps Flower Corps Soloist or group as needed Soloists as scheduled	Amy Jennifer Amy Jennifer Amy	J4 J3 J4 J4 J3
SAT	9/8	2:00-3:30 12:30-2:00 5:00-5:45 5:45-6:30 2:00-3:00 4:00-5:30 5:30-6:30 6:30-7:15	Candy Cane Duet Garland Girls & Spanish Corps Kissing Doll Soldier Doll Clara's Solos Mirliton Corps Mirliton Soloist Russian Soloist	Cindy Jennifer Cindy Amy	J2 J3 J2 J4
SUN	9/9	1:00-2:00 2:00-3:00 3:00-4:00 4:00-5:00 1:00-2:00 2:00-4:00 4:00-5:00	Angel Duet Snow Queen Dew Drop Fairy Spanish Chinese Arabian Sugar Plum Fairy	Jennifer Amy	J4 J3
SAT	9/15	AUDITION 1:00-1:30 1:30-2:15 2:15-3:00 ***** 4:00-4:30 3:00-4:00 4:00-5:00 5:00-6:00	ARRIVE 30 MIN EARLY TO CHECK IN <i>At the J1 lobby. Pre-registration required</i> Level I Level IIA and boys Level IIB ***** Russian Soloist Dolls Mouse Queen Candy Cane Duet	 Jennifer Cindy	J3 J4 J3

DAY	DATE	TIME	ROLE	TEACHER	ROOM
SUN	9/16	1:00-2:00	Sugar Plum Fairy	Jing	J4
		2:00-4:00	Arabian		
		4:00-5:00	Mirliton Soloist		
		5:00-6:00	Mirliton Corps		
		1:00-2:00	Dolls	Jennifer	J3
		2:00-3:00	Clara Solos & Clara Friends		
		3:00-4:00	Snow Queen		
		4:00-5:00	Dew Drop		
		5:00-6:00	Chinese & Spanish Soloists		
		6:00-7:00	Angel Duet		
SAT	9/22	2:00-4:00	All Soloists	Amy	J2
SUN	9/23	4:00-5:00	Russian	Amy	J2
		5:00-6:00	Arabian		
		6:00-7:00	Clara and Prince		
SAT	9/29	12:00-1:15	Soldiers: Tap	Cindy	J2
		12:30-2:00	Garland Girls & Spanish as scheduled	Jennifer	J3
		2:00-3:00	Mouse Queen	Amy	J4
		3:00-4:00	Sugar Plum & Cavalier		
		4:00-5:00	Mirlitons		
		5:00-6:30	Soloists: Spanish, Chinese, Russian, & Candy Cane		
SUN	9/30	11:30-1:00	Mice	Cindy	J2
		1:00-2:00	Confectioners		
		2:00-3:00	Gingerbread Cookies		
		3:00-4:00	Peppermints		
		1:00-2:00	Sugar Plum Fairy	Amy	J3
		2:00-3:00	Arabian		
		3:00-4:30	Clara and Prince		
		12:00-12:30	Clara's Friends & Clara	Jennifer	J4
		12:30-2:30	<i>Party Scene Girls & Boys Costume Fitting</i>		
			Party Scene Girls, Boys, Clara Friends, Clara		
	2:30-3:15	Kissing Doll & Soldier Doll			
	3:15-4:00	Maids			
	4:00-5:00	Chinese			
SAT	10/6	12:30-2:00	Garland Girls & Spanish as scheduled	Jennifer	J3
		2:30-3:00	Angel Duet	Amy	J4
		4:00-5:30	Act 2 Variations		
		5:30-6:30	Arabian ALL		
SUN	10/7	1:30-2:30	Sugar Plum Fairy	Amy	J4
		2:30-3:30	Arabian		
		3:30-4:30	Russian		
		4:30-5:30	Clara & Prince		
		1:30-2:30	Peppermints	Jing	J2
		2:30-3:30	Spanish ALL		
		3:30-4:30	Angels & Angel Duet		
		1:30-2:30	Maids, Kissing Doll & Soldier Doll	Jennifer	J3
		2:30-3:30	Party Scene ADULTS		
		3:30-5:00	Party Scene Girls/Boys, Friends, Clara, Nephew		
		4:30-5:30	Confectioners	Cindy	J2
		5:30-6:15	Gingerbread Cookies		
		6:15-7:00	Mice & Mouse Queen		
SAT	10/13	2:30-3:30	Mice & Mouse Queen	Cindy	J2
		3:30-4:30	Soldiers & (Prince)		
		12:30-2:00	Garland Girls & Spanish as scheduled	Jennifer	J3

DAY	DATE	TIME	ROLE	TEACHER	ROOM
SAT	10/13 (cont)	12:30-1:30 1:30-4:00 4:30-5:30 4:30-6:30	Sugar Plum Snow & Waltz of the Flowers Arabian Act 2: Spanish All, Arabian All, Chinese Soloist, Russian, Mirlitons All, Candy Canes	Amy Jennifer/ Amy	J3 J4
SUN	10/14	1:00-2:00 2:30-3:30 3:30-4:30 4:30-5:00 4:30-6:00 2:00-3:15 3:15-4:00 3:15-4:15 1:00-2:15 2:15-3:30 3:30-4:30 4:30-5:30	Reindeer Maids, Dolls, Clara Solos Party Boys/Girls + Clara & Clara's Friends Party Scene ADULTS Party Scene, ALL (no Dolls) Angels and Angel Duet <i>Angel costume fitting</i> Chinese Group Dancers Confectioners & Gingerbread Cookies & Peppermints Mice & Mouse Queen Clara and Prince Sugar Plum Fairy (include work on Finale)	Jennifer Jing Cindy Amy	J4 J3 J2
SAT	10/20	12:00-1:30 1:30-2:30 2:00-3:00 11:00-12:00 11:00-12:00 12:00-1:00 1:00-3:00 3:00-4:00 4:00-5:00	Peppermint, Gingerbread, Confectioners, Duet Soldiers & Prince, Soldiers/Mice Mice, Growing Tree Scene: Mice <i>(No Trainee Rehearsal)</i> Reindeer <i>(Adv. Class Warm-up)</i> Clara/Prince, Snow & Snow Queen ACT 2 FINALE: <u>Soloists ONLY:</u> Angel Duet, Spanish, Arabian, Chinese, Russian, Candy Canes, Peppermints, Mirlitons (All), Garlands, Sugar Plum Fairy, Clara/Prince Waltz of Flowers, Garlands, & Dew Drop As needed	Cindy Jennifer Amy Jennifer	J2 J3 J4
SUN	10/21	1:00-2:15 2:15-3:00 3:00-4:00 4:00-6:30 3:30-4:30 4:30-5:30 5:30-6:30	Angels & Angel Duet Chinese Group Dancers & Soloist Growing Tree Scene: Clara/Prince, Drosselmeyer Party Scene All Arabian Group Clara and Prince Sugar Plum Fairy & Cavalier	Jennifer Annali Amy	J4 J3
SAT	10/27	12:00-1:00 1:00-2:00 11:00-12:00 12:00-1:00 1:00-3:00 3:00-4:00	Peppermint, Gingerbread, Confectioners, Duet Soldiers & Mice <i>(No Trainee Rehearsal)</i> <i>(Adv. Class Warm-up)</i> Clara/Prince, Snow & Snow Queen, Reindeer ACT 2 FINALE: <u>Soloists ONLY:</u> Angel Duet, Spanish, Arabian, Chinese, Russian, Candy Canes, Peppermints, Mirlitons (All), Garlands, Sugar Plum Fairy, Clara/Prince Waltz of Flowers, Garlands, & Dew Drop	Cindy Amy Jennifer	J2 J4 J3 J4

DAY	DATE	TIME	ROLE	TEACHER	ROOM
SUN	10/28	10:00-11:00	California Avenue Halloween Fair Performance with DCPC on CA Ave	<i>Soloists</i>	
SUN	10/28	1:00-2:00 <u>2:00-5:45</u> <i>Times as Scheduled</i>	Rehearsal scheduled as needed, or before/after photos <u>NUTCRACKER PHOTOS IN J3</u> <i>Dancers should wear full costume, hair, Make-up and accessories with proper shoes. No observers in the studio during photos. No outside cameras allowed. Group, sibling/buddy, and individual photos may be ordered online. Photo Schedule below. Please arrive 30 minutes prior to scheduled photo time "photo ready" with hair and makeup and full costume.</i> <i>Schedule follows...</i>		
SUN	10/28	TIME	PHOTO SCHEDULE (arrive 30 min. early)		J3
		2:00-2:30 2:15-2:45 2:30-3:00 2:45-3:30 3:15-4:00 3:45-4:15 4:00-4:30 4:15-4:45 4:30-5:15 5:00-5:30 5:15-5:45	Party Scene Children, Fritz, Clara (Party Dress) Maids, Dolls, Party Parents, Drosselmeyer Clara (Night Costume) & Prince, Soldiers, Mice Snow Queen, Snow Corps Angels, Reindeer Chinese Solo & group, Angel Duet Dew Drop, Flowers Corps, Confectioners Garland Girls, Spanish Soloist & Corps Gingerbread Cookies, Peppermint, Candy Cane Russian, Mirlitons, Arabian Sugar Plum Fairy/Cavalier <i>Individual by appointment—during group time slot.</i>		
FRI	11/2	7:00-7:30 <i>Arrive by 6:30</i>	Nutcracker PJ Story Time: <i>Clara, Nutcracker Prince, Mouse Queen/King, Snow Queen, Dew Drop, Sugar Plum Fairy And other possible roles</i>	Cindy	L5
SAT	11/3	2:00-6:30 2:00-3:00 3:00-4:30 4:30-5:00 5:00-6:00 5:30-6:30 6:30-7:00 2:00-3:00	Act I as Scheduled, ALL dancers in J4: Growing Tree Scene & Battle ALL Party Scene, All Clara and Prince Pas de Deux Reindeer Waltz of the Snowflakes Extra Rehearsal as Needed Party Scene Adults		J4
SUN	11/4	1:00-6:30 1:00-2:30 2:00-4:30 2:30-3:30 4:30-5:30 5:30-6:30	Act II as Scheduled, ALL dancers in J4: Act II Opening: Angels/Angel Duet, Sugar Plum, Prince, Reindeer Act II Variations: Spanish, Arabian, Chinese/Fan Russian, Mirlitons, Peppermints/Gingerbreads/Cc <u>Primary Ballet Sheep: 2:30-3:30</u> Act II Finale ALL Waltz of the Flowers, ALL		J4

DAY	DATE	TIME	ROLE	TEACHER	ROOM
SAT	11/10	2:00-7:00 2:00-4:45 4:30-5:00 5:00-7:00	Studio Dress Rehearsal Full costume and hair, no makeup Act I Curtain Call Finale: All, Act I & II Act II Extra rehearsal as needed in J3	All	J4 J3
SAT	11/17	2:00-7:00 2:00-4:45 4:30-5:00 5:00-7:00	Studio Dress Rehearsal (Cast #1) Full costume and hair, no makeup Act I Curtain Call Finale: All, Act I & II Act II Extra rehearsal as needed	All	J4 J3
SUN	11/18	2:00-7:00 2:00-4:45 4:30-5:00 5:00-7:00	Studio Dress Rehearsal (Cast #2) Full costume and hair, no makeup Act I Curtain Call Finale: All, Act I & II Act II Extra rehearsal as needed	All	J4 J3
***	***	11/19-11/25	<i>Thanksgiving Break!</i>	***	***
SUN	11/25	5:00-7:30	Festival of Lights Parade in Los Altos for soloists	Los Altos	
<p>11/26-11/29 THEATRE TECH WEEK at Smithwick Theater, Foothill College Theatre Tech Week</p>					
DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT	WHO	
MON	11/26	5:30-9:30	Load In/Set up at Smithwick Theatre	<i>Volunteers</i>	
TUES	11/27	6:00 6:30 6:30-7:45 7:00 7:15-7:45 7:45-9:00 7:45	Theatre Tech Rehearsal, (no costumes): BOTH CASTS Call time for Act I Estimated start time for Act I Act I Call time for Act II Curtain Call Finale, ALL DANCERS-entire cast Act II Estimated start time for Act II	All	Foothill College Theatre
WED	11/28	5:30 6:00 6:00-6:45 6:45-7:15 7:30 7:30-8:30	Theatre Dress Rehearsal for Act I only: Call time for Act I <i>Dress rehearsal is the dancer's only chance to see the entire performance from the audience.</i> Estimated start time for Act I Act I Curtain Call Finale, ALL Act I Estimated start time for second run of Act I Act I, second run	Act I	Theatre

THURS	11/29	6:00 6:30 6:30-7:15 7:15-7:45 7:45 7:45-8:30	Theatre Dress Rehearsal for Act II only: Call time for Act II <i>Dress rehearsal is the dancer's only chance to see the entire performance from the audience.</i> Estimated start time for Act II Act II Curtain Call Finale, ALL Act II Estimated start time for second run of Act II Act II, second run	Act II	Theatre
FRI	11/30	5:30 6:00 7:00-9:00 8:30-9:30	PERFORMANCE— #1: 7:00 Set up stage Call time for Cast #1 Performance, Cast #1 Clean Up/Set up for Saturday	Cast #1	Theatre
SAT	12/1	3:00 4:00-6:00 6:00-8:30	PERFORMANCE— #2: 4:00 Call time for Cast #2 Performance, Cast #2 Clean Up/Load Out	Cast #2 <i>Volunteers</i>	Theatre
SUN	12/2	12:00-1:00 1:00-3:00 12:30-3:00	*COSTUME RETURN*, ALL DANCERS Costume Cleaning Pick Up Cast Party	<i>Volunteers</i>	L5
SAT	12/8	12:00-2:00 2:00-6:00	Cleaned Costume Returns Costume Pack Away	<i>Volunteers</i> <i>Volunteers</i>	L5 L5
			<i>Holiday Break 12/19-1/4/19</i>		

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**rehearsal times do not include warm-up. Arrive early to warm up.*

Please review this Master Rehearsal Schedule very carefully. The times, and even days are not consistent from week to week or month to month. Parents, please help your dancer to commit to the responsibility of their role by encouraging them to be a part of the commitment to attend rehearsals. Since we will not run a rehearsal like a regular dance class, we like the dancers to arrive early to warm up and prepare for their role. Class attire is appropriate for all roles.

NUTCRACKER 2018 Participation Requirements

Dancers must attend all rehearsals, and are only allowed one excused absence with a 2 week written advance notice. Likewise, all dress rehearsals and performances must be attended. The first two rehearsals MUST be attended, no exceptions. All choreography will be taught in the first 2 rehearsals.

Dance Connection owns the Nutcracker costumes and accessories. Each dancer will be responsible for their costume and all accessories on loan to them. They must keep it neat and clean, make any necessary alterations (by hand) to make it fit—or seek a volunteer do this job, and return it un-cleaned according to the costume return instructions one day after the final performance, Sunday, 12/2 for everyone, no exceptions.

Costumes must be returned (see below) on the costume return day: Sunday, December 3rd between the hours of 12:00-1:00 p.m. Costumes must be returned with all accessories to avoid being charged for this costume or costume parts and the late fee of \$25.00 per costume.

COSTUME RETURN

Please return your costumes UNCLEANED and with all costume parts and accessories. Parent volunteers will take care of the cleaning of all costumes if they are returned on **Sunday, 12/2** between 12:00-1:00. It is important that the costumes are returned in a timely manner. Please note this costume return date on your calendar. If your costume is not returned during the costume return time on Sunday, 12/2, your account will be

billed a late fee of \$25.00 per costume, and you will be responsible for getting the costume(s) to the costume cleaning volunteer for your specific group. We will collect cleaned costumes on Saturday, December 9 between 12:00-2:00, and pack away all costumes between 2:00-6:00. If your costume is not returned as a clean costume, there will be an additional charge of \$25.00 per costume. Unreturned costumes will be considered lost, and you will be billed the cost of the costume in addition to the late fees. Please understand that some of these costumes are NOT easily replaceable, so we want them returned. There will be no exceptions, and the costume must be returned in good condition with all parts and accessories. Failure to return the costume at the designated time creates a huge problem with our cleaning and packing process. Thank you in advance for your understanding and consideration.

Understanding the Rehearsal Schedule

The Rehearsal Roles are broken down into parts based on the ballet story. If the role specifies “duet” or “solo” only those dancers should attend. If the role specifies the group, i.e. “Chinese”, then the group should attend. After the rehearsal where there is a notation for: All, all participants in this piece must attend. After the “all” listing, it is assumed that **all** should attend every rehearsal after this point.

The ballet is broken up into two acts. Act 1 takes place primarily at the Stahlbaum’s house, at their party. Also included in Act 1 is the Battle Scene which includes the Mice, Soldiers, Mouse King/Queen, Nutcracker Prince and Clara. Finishing Act 1 is the Journey through the Enchanted Forest and the Waltz of the Snowflakes. Act 2 will be after intermission. The Angels open Act 2, and upon their entrance, we are in the Kingdom of Sweets. The Act 2 dancers include the Angels and all the variations afterward.

There is an Act 2 Finale which is a part of the ballet and it happens at the very end of the performance, before the curtain closes. This includes all dancers in the Act 2 Variations **except:** Angels, Gingerbread, Confectioners, and any young Chinese or other dancers—basically the younger children. Once the curtain closes, we have another Finale which is our Curtain Call Finale. This includes **every** performer in the Nutcracker Ballet, and is staged in the order of appearance. Dancers will remain backstage through the duration of the performance.

Scenes and Roles in Each Scene:

Party Scene: Clara, Fritz, Mr., and Mrs. Stahlbaum, Drosselmeyer, Drosselmeyer’s nephew, All Party Adults, All Party Children, Clara’s Friends, Maids, Dolls

Growing Tree Scene: Clara, Mice, Nutcracker Prince, Nutcracker "stand in," Drosselmeyer

Battle Scene: Mice, Soldiers, Mouse King/Queen, Nutcracker Prince, Clara

Journey through the Enchanted Forest: Clara and Nutcracker Prince, Snow Queen as needed

Waltz of the Snowflakes: Reindeer, Snow Queen, Snow Princesses, Snow Corps

Angels: Angel Duet and Angels

Act 2 Entrance: Reindeer, Sugar Plum Fairy, Cavalier, Clara and Prince, Spanish

All Act 2 Variations: As specified including solos or duets in the Kingdom of Sweets

Waltz of the Flowers: Dew Drop Fairy, Flower Princesses, Flower Corps, Garland Girls

***Act 2 Finale:** Spanish Soloist, Arabian, Chinese Soloist, Russian, Mirlitons (optional), Candy Canes and Peppermint, Snow Queen, Dew Drop Fairy, Sugar Plum Fairy, Cavalier, Nutcracker Prince, Clara. Act 2 Finale does not include younger children's roles such as Angels, Gingerbread, Chinese Fan, etc.

Act I: Party Scene, Battle Scene, Journey through the Enchanted Forest, Waltz of the Snowflakes (as listed above)

Act 2: All variations in the Kingdom of Sweets including Angels, Angel Duet, Spanish, Arabian, Chinese, Russian, Merlitons, Gingerbread, Peppermint & Candy Canes, Waltz of the Flowers, Sugar Plum Fairy, Cavalier, Clara, and Nutcracker Prince

Curtain Call Finale: All Dancers/Entire Cast in order of appearance

**Photos: Full costume, make-up and hair is required and dancers should have all costume requirements including shoes by this date.