Aspire Repertory Theatre Presents:

A Nutcracker Dream

Location: Dress Rehearsal and Performances will be at Shorecrest Performing Arts Center.
All other rehearsals will be at Aspire Kinetic Arts – 12544 27th Ave NE, Seattle, 98125

Key Dates: Dress Rehearsal: Friday, December 18th 4-9:30pm (younger performers released early)
Performances: Saturday, December 19th at 2pm & 6pm

Aspire Repertory Theatre's "A Nutcracker Dream" is a new take on the familiar tale. in the roaring 1920s, Clara's family is ringing in the New Year when a present leads to a magical journey as she battles tap-dancing Mice, skates with whirling Snow Flakes, and discovers - with the help of the Sugar Plum Fairy- that she still has some growing up to do.

Casting

Dancers and performers who are interested in participating must fill out the form on page 2 and return it to Aspire Repertory Theatre in person or via email to productions@aspirerep.org by October 22nd.

Dancers 12 and up who wish to be considered for featured roles, and who are not currently enrolled at Aspire Kinetic Arts, must audition by October 22nd by taking drop-in class at Aspire Kinetic Arts with Artistic Director, Erin Crall Scott, or Associate Artistic Director, John Crall Scott. Featured roles are available in a variety of styles: ballet, pointe work, jazz and tap. Email productions@aspirerep.org or call (206) 395-3893 to arrange your audition class. There will be no charge for your audition. Casting will be sent to interested performers by October 23rd and rehearsals begin October 24th (Some roles may begin rehearsal for available dancers on October 18th.) Please keep in mind that our production is our own take on the Nutcracker and roles will be choreographed on our cast to showcase our performers and their current skills.

Roles listed below. Please keep this and note the Scene that your role is in for ACT 1 roles – if your scene is called to rehearsal, your role is called to rehearsal unless otherwise specified. (All ages are guidelines):

ACT 1

Clara Sullivan (12+) & Francis Sullivan / the Nutcracker (12+)

In Party Scene:

Adults at the party

Francis' friends at the party (11+)

In Fight Scene:

Tip-toe Mice (ages 4-7)

Jazzy Mice (ages 8-12)

In Snow Scene:

Snowflakes (ages 16+) & Snow Crystals (13+)

Reindeer (age 11+)

ACT 2

Kettle Corn (ages 9-12)

Candy Canes (reimagined for 2026! -ages 15+)

Dulce de Leche (ages 12+)

Peppermint (age 16+)

Queen Bee (age 15+)

Honey Bees (ages 6-9)

Whipped Cream (ages 10-14)

Cherries (ages 9-12)

Chocolatier (age 15+)

Box of Chocolates (ages 7-11)

Flour Waltz (ages 15+) & Cupcakes (ages 9-13)

Production Agreements Due October 22nd

Aspire Repertory Theatre's "A Nutcracker Dream" is a team effort that requires the whole cast to participate and work together. Out of respect for our families' time, we do not schedule more rehearsal time than we expect we will need. That makes each rehearsal important for dancers and performers to learn their part and for the safety of everyone in the cast. If a performer misses more than 2 rehearsals, their role may be reduced or they may be asked to understudy the role instead. Health guidelines and COVID precautions are subject to change

There is a $35 production fee to participate in Aspire Repertory Theatre's "A Nutcracker Dream", and for any additional family members, the fee is $20. Your fee includes professional photos and video of the production.

I _____agree on behalf of myself or dancer(s) _____ to

1. Attend all rehearsals scheduled by Aspire Repertory Theatre. If you have a conflict or are ill and need to miss rehearsal, you must communicate with the Directors by email (production@aspirerep.org) at the earliest opportunity. We may need to make casting changes if dancers cannot attend mandatory rehearsals.
2. Exhibit courteous and professional behavior at all times during the period of this contract.
3. Abide by all health guidelines and safety requirements of Aspire Repertory Theatre.
4. Freely and knowingly assume all risks incidental to participating in Aspire Repertory Theatre (ART) rehearsals and performances. I agree to each statement above and release ART from any and all liability for unintentional exposure or harm due to COVID-19. I hereby waive any right, claim or course of action against ART, its officers, directors, employees or agents, releasing them from any liability arising out of an injury, direct or indirect. I also give permission to be photographed/videotaped and to allow ART to release said photographs/videos for publicity and fundraising purposes.
5. Provide the necessary undergarments: All female and female presenting dancers will need a tan ("nude") camisole strap leotard and pink OR tan tights–details in November. All male and male presenting dancers will need a tan or skin-tone dance belt or appropriate undergarment, and black tights/leggings. Aspire Repertory Theatre agrees to provide all costumes (excluding dance shoes, pointe shoes, tights, undergarments, and hair extensions), coaching, rehearsals, rehearsal space and performance locations. Costumes are the property of Aspire Repertory Theatre.
6. Pay the $35 production fee for the first performer and $20 production fee for subsequent performers. Payment can be made via credit, check, or cash at the returning of this form. Scholarships are available–please inquire with productions@aspirerep.org

By signing below, I , the above, recognize that should I or my performer not meet the above agreement, my or their role in the production may be reduced, shifted to an understudy role, or eliminated.

Signed _____ Date _____

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Please fill out this interested performer information and return to Aspire Repertory Theatre either in person, or via email at productions@aspirerep.org by October 22nd.

Dancers age 12 and up who wish to be considered for a featured dancing role must take a Drop-in class at Aspire Kinetic Arts with Artistic Director Erin Crall Scott or Program Director John Crall Scott by October 22nd if they are not already enrolled at Aspire Kinetic Arts. Dancers 11+ who wish to be considered for Clara and Francis must audition at Aspire on October 17th 4-5:30pm.

Performer information:

Name:_____

Date of Birth:_____ Height: _____

If a dancer 12+, are you interested in a featured dancing role? Yes_____ No_____

Years of Dance:_____ Primary Styles of Dance: _____

Is your performer available for all performances and rehearsals as currently scheduled? Yes __ No __ Conflict dates:

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Guardians name(s): _____Phone(s):_____

Preferred email contact(s): _____

Interested in volunteering: Yes___ No___

Specific volunteering interest? _____

Please let us know about any injuries, allergies, or medical concerns we should know to keep your performer well: _____

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How did you hear about Aspire Repertory Theatre: _____