



It's the Start of our Holiday Ballet Season!

We're heading into the most festive time of the year for all of our dancers. In order for this season to run as smoothly as possible, it's imperative that you keep yourself informed of everything that's going on. Please post this handout somewhere for easy reference and check your email regularly!

WHY DO WE DO A HOLIDAY BALLET? Performing for an audience is a crucial aspect of building up our students' Confidence, which is a core value here at CCA. Being able to perform on a stage will set kids up for success when it comes to public speaking and leadership roles, so the more performances the better! Plus, the unique thing about our Holiday Ballet is that the entire show tells a story just like a professional Ballet does. It's truly a delightful production for the entire community!

This year's show... The Gift

(With music inspired by the story of The Nutcracker!)

Show 1: December 5th @ 6:30pm | Show 2: December 6th @ 10:30am

Show 3: December 6th @ 2:00pm

HOW DOES THE HOLIDAY BALLET COME TOGETHER? Our students will be working on their holiday dances in their classes. Some students in our Principal Levels and Junior or Senior Company will be cast in additional dances that will rehearse on the weekends. We will host a one-day dress rehearsal in the venue of our performance for kids to practice their dance on stage.

WHAT ABOUT COSTUMES? For this show, students are often asked to put together their own costumes. We have an inventory of costume pieces that we'll use, but students typically wear their own leotard or other articles of clothing they should have lying around at home. If you don't have an item that we ask you to provide, you're welcome to pick up something cheap from the store or stop by our Office to see how we can help!

The following classes will be participating in our Holiday Ballet. Beside the class is listed the attire they will need.

*The **BOLD** genre is what the class will perform for this show!*

Class	Attire Needed <i>(See the blog for more details)</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tue-Little Leapers Ballet (Show 1)• Wed-Little Leapers Ballet (Show 2)• Wed-Petite Combo Ballet (Show 3)	Representing Gingerbread Cookies! You'll need... pink ballet shoes, ballet pink tights, any solid-colored leotard with no skirt, any kind of brown shirt. We'll provide red & green tutus to borrow!
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Primary 3 Ballet/Tap (Show 1)• Tue-Petite combo Tap (Show 2)• Primary 2 Ballet/Tap (Show 3)	Representing Hot Chocolate! You'll need... black tap shoes, ballet pink tights, any solid-colored leotard with no skirt, any kind of brown shirt. We'll provide gold tutus to borrow!

REHEARSALS - A required Dress Rehearsal will be held on Thursday, December 4th. The Dress Rehearsal schedule will be distributed at a later date, but please mark your calendar for the evening now. Each class is given a specific time slot to come in and rehearse their dance on the big stage!

LOCATION - This year's Holiday Ballet will take place at Zion Church, 114 Zion Road, Clarion, PA. The church will be decorated beautifully for Christmas, making it a wonderful environment for our show and a great photo op!

TICKETS - Tickets will be available to purchase online beginning November 5th at 12:30pm. Tickets are \$12 each plus processing fees. Tickets sell quickly, so mark your calendars! Because we use a third-party ticket seller, fundraiser profits cannot be used for tickets. If you have children performing in multiple shows, you will need to purchase separate tickets for each show. All attendees over the age of 1 will need their own ticket.



To purchase tickets, scan the QR Code or go to www.clarioncenterforthearts.com/tickets.

An email with a promo code for two complimentary tickets per dancer will be sent at a later date! If you wish to reserve your complimentary tickets online in advance, you will still have to pay the processing fee per ticket (charged by the third-party ticket seller, not us!). Otherwise, you can claim your complimentary tickets at the box office prior to the show.

SPONSORSHIPS - Our Sponsorship packages include a business card ad in the Holiday Ballet program, 1/6th page ad in our Dance Recital program and a mention in both our Winter and Summer Junior Musical programs. The package is \$199 and **we only have 6 spots available!** If your business or workplace is interested in becoming a sponsor this year, reach out to our Office Team ASAP!

VOLUNTEERS - We rely on the help of parents for certain aspects of our shows. Volunteers are needed for the following areas: (1) setting up the stage on Tuesday, December 2nd (2) tearing the stage down after the final show and (3) ushering for the performances. Please sign up using our Volunteer Spreadsheet on the Holiday Ballet Blog.

COOKIES AND FLOWERS - We sometimes sell cookie and flower bouquets as a convenient way for you to congratulate your dancer after their performance. This is a great way to show your kiddo that their hard work matters to you. These options can range from \$5-\$25 and all proceeds go toward our First Ovation Scholarship fund!

CHILDCARE - During the course of our holiday ballet, all students remain backstage with our amazing team of childcare providers. Students are not permitted to hang out with their parents in the auditorium. Why is this? We have a lot of students that must be accounted for and we cannot run our show properly if we allow kids to go back and forth between backstage and the auditorium. But don't worry! Our team has lots of experience working with kids and will have your mobile number in case anything should happen.

QUESTIONS? - Contact us at the info below!

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Happy Holiday Season!!!