



We are approaching the holiday season very quickly! Lots of info in this newsletter - please read thoroughly and keep it for reference.

Holiday Variety Show – for our younger students in combo classes. A very fun, relaxed & quick holiday performance.

- Sunday, December 2nd 11:30 a.m. and 1:15 p.m.. performances (see table below)
- No tickets necessary. \$15.00 performance fee per performer due with November/December tuition (\$15 was included in November automatic recurring billing for applicable accounts).
- Hart High Auditorium
- Arrive 30 minutes before show time (PLEASE, not earlier, and PLEASE not later than 15 minutes before show-time). In order to keep this fun for ALL of us, and to keep it organized, friendly, and SAFE for the performers, we need your cooperation. Performers will be dropped off to the teachers at the FRONT SIDE LEFT door (when facing the auditorium from the street) to the auditorium lobby 30 minutes before show-time. We will take the performers in to sit in the front rows of the auditorium. We have helpers with every class. We will not allow audience members in at this time. No early entrance for restroom. Absolutely no saving seats.
- At 10-15 minutes before show-time, we will open the front doors for audience members to come in and you MUST stay behind the “caution” tape that will be set up separating the performers from the audience members. PLEASE do not tear through, climb over, or go under the tape. Again, this is so that we can keep it organized and SAFE.
- The shows will last about 45 minutes. For a finale, all performers will be on stage, then we will ask that you send one person (preferably the parent we are more familiar with) to the front of the stage to pick them up. Then we ask that the auditorium clears quickly (I’m sorry, I know that sounds so unappreciative and that’s not the case at all – but we do need to open up parking spots and prepare for the next performance and then Nutcracker rehearsals that start right after the performances).

HOLIDAY VARIETY SHOW – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2 HART HIGH AUDITORIUM	
11:30 performance (not in this order)	1:15 performance (not in this order)
Carrie (Sami) Tuesday 3:15 “Frosty the Snowman”	Carrie (Sami) Monday 3:30 “Up on the Housetop”
Carrie (Sami) Thursday 3:30 “Run Run Rudolph”	Sami Saturday 12:00 “Let It Snow”
Carrie (Sami) Friday 2:45 “Man with the Bag”	Sami Saturday 1:00 “Winter Wonderland”
Shannon Monday 3:30 “Candy Cane Lane”	Shannon Saturday 9:00 “Candy Cane Lane”
Shannon Thurs 9:15 “Rockin’ Around the Christmas...”	Shannon Saturday 10:00 “Suzy Snowflake”
Shannon Thursday 10:00 “Suzy Snowflake”	Shannon Sat 10:45 “Rockin’ Around the Christmas Tree”
Carla Wednesday 4:30 “My Own Two Hands”	Carla Wednesday 3:30 “Cool Yule”
Carla Tuesday 5:45 “Up on the Housetop”	

Personalized Dance Studio 84 Dance Bag orders & other DS84 merchandise for Christmas arrival, due by November 15th. Duffle bags are \$28.50. We only place these orders once a year, so now is the time to order ☺ They make great gifts, last a long time and hold a lot! Jerseys, Hats, fleece hoodies and pants, stickers and more.

November/December Tuition For all those taking part in December performances, November & December tuition is due by November 15th. This is clearly stated in our studio policies that you have all received and signed. We encourage students in other classes to pay for both months as well, if possible. We find that once the holidays are here, people forget. In order to avoid any late fee penalties, we suggest paying early. December tuition is a full month – even though there are only 2-3 weeks of class – some months have 5 weeks at no extra charge, some classes have rehearsals in lieu of regularly scheduled class, etc.. Tuition is based on a yearly calendar. We must adhere to these policies to keep our tuition rates as affordable as possible. Those enrolled in automatic recurring billing will be charged as regularly scheduled.

Community Performances:

- **Festival of the Trees** – Hosted by Boys & Girls Club. **Saturday, November 17th 2:30-3:00 p.m.** Info on website (instructor’s informing you if you are performing).
- **Hart of the Holidays** – Hosted by Hart Dance Team. **Saturday, December 1st Hart High Auditorium 7:00 p.m.**

Beat the New Year's Rush for Classes:

- Ballet Classes open up for 2019 Nutcracker. 18-19 1st graders can enroll for their first Nutcracker! All ballet students must be enrolled by March 1, 2019 in order to perform in Nutcracker 19

The Studios Will Be Closed Thursday, November 22nd – Sunday, November 25th for the Thanksgiving Weekend (Wednesday, November 21st classes will all be complete by 6:00 p.m. – NO NUTCRACKER BALLET CLASSES HELD)

We will close for the winter break December 17 - January 6 During this break, **Recital 2019 costume information** will be posted on our web-site: www.dancestudio84.com. Costume orders will be accepted January 7th – 19th at 2:00 p.m. (1 week later than on the annual calendar) We know it’s early to be thinking about June of next year - in order to get costumes on time (& to keep costs as low as possible – early ordering does help with pricing as well), this is when we have to do it...But it’s all so much FUN ☺ !!!

Please see other side ☺



3 IMPORTANT DATE CHANGES:

- Hart High notified us that there is no stage crew for Monday, December 3rd (we cannot run the rehearsal without having the Hart tech in place since they need to learn what they must do for the performances). Instead, we will be doing **Tuesday, December 4th AT HART HIGH**. We apologize for any inconvenience – this affects our planning and messes with our class schedule as well, but our hands are tied when it comes to the use of the auditorium.
- Dress rehearsal and pictures will be the earlier week – **December 5th and 6th**, NOT the 12th & 13th. (it's been posted both ways – sorry :/...)
- **2019 Nutcracker audition** will be one week later than posted on the annual calendar (website is updated with all these changes – please make note if you saved your hard copy from September).



Saturday, December 15th
2:00 & 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 16th
1:00 & 5:00 p.m.



We are looking forward and counting on seeing ALL of our Dance Studio 84 families at Nutcracker this year. For those who have been before, remember that each year is different and we hope to see you again. For those who have never attended, you will be so surprised at the quality of our production of this holiday classic. Featuring all of our ballet students, this truly is enjoyable for all ages – girls and boys. Younger students will definitely be entertained enough to let you all enjoy the performances. It may also inspire them in their love of dance. It's a great addition to your holiday season and we do hope that you'll all be there.

Post Cards and Posters: Please, please help to get the word out. We have beautiful posters and post cards available at the front desk. We need to be able to count on all our performers to help get the word out about the fantastic show you are going to be a part of! It's fun (and inspiring) to see the posters all over. Our performers deserve the recognition! We struggle to cover all the costs of this huge production and we need to sell tickets to people beyond our studio families. So many have already gone out – **THANK YOU SO MUCH!!! Tickets are on sale now to the public.** Reserved seating is \$22.00 and \$20.00

Nutcracker Merchandise will be here soon ☺

Program: All the information for placing an ad (business or personal) is on our website, dancestudio84.com, and we have a few hard copies at the front desk. Please approach the businesses you frequent and ask them for their support of the arts and the youth in their communities. Take a look at one of the copies at the front desk. It really is a beautiful keepsake program with many exquisite personal messages along with the business advertisements. We have a contest for selling the most "ad-space", prizes being tuition vouchers, Nutcracker merchandise and front row tickets ☺ **Ads are due by November 10th**. and then... It will be Nutcracker time. Ahhh, so much fun! Enjoy!!!

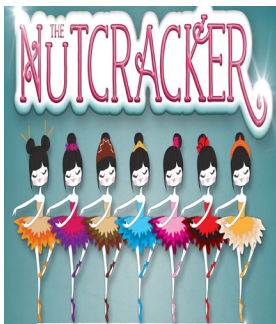


*Wishing all of our DS84 families so much
 love and happiness during the holiday season.*

We are truly so very grateful for all of you.

With Love,

Carla and all of the DS84 staff



Nutcracker Rehearsal and Picture Schedule

Rehearsal Schedule: ALL are mandatory. See below for detailed/scheduled days & times
Arrive early so that you are completely READY TO DANCE at the scheduled times
No regularly scheduled BALLETT/NUTCRACKER classes held the week of Dec 3rd-7th
All other scheduled classes will be held unless notified by your instructor.

Sunday Dec 2nd Rehearsals @ HART HIGH	TUESDAY Dec 4th Rehearsals @ HART HIGH	Wednesday Dec 5th Pictures & Rehearsals @ DS84	Thursday Dec 6th Pictures & Rehearsals @ DS84	Friday Dec 14th 4:00-6:00 (Cast A) 6:30-8:30 (Cast B) Full Run-Throughs HART HIGH	Sat. Dec 15th 2:00 (Cast A) 7:00 (Cast B) Performances HART HIGH	Sun Dec 16th 1:00 (Cast B) 5:00 (Cast A) Performances HART HIGH
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SUNDAY, DEC 2nd – HART HIGH AUDITORIUM

Costumes, buns, light make-up

Party Scene	2:30-4:15
Battle	4:15-5:15
Snow Both Casts (Prince, Clara, Snow Trees, Snowflakes)	5:15-6:45
Act II Opener Both Casts	6:45-8:00

TUESDAY, Dec 4th – HART HIGH AUDITORIUM

Costumes, buns, light make-up

Russian Cast A	3:45-4:00
Russian Cast B	4:00-4:15
Spanish Cast A	4:15-4:30
Spanish Cast B	4:30-4:45
Chinese Cast A	4:45-5:00
Chinese Cast B	5:00-5:15
Reeds Cast A	5:15-5:30
Reeds Cast B	5:30-5:45
Coda	5:45-6:30
Mother Ginger Cast A	6:30-6:45
Mother Ginger Cast B	6:45-7:00
Arabian Cast A	7:00-7:15
Arabian Cast B	7:15-7:30
Waltz of the Flowers Cast A	7:30-8:00
Waltz of the Flowers Cast B	8:00-8:30

Friday Dec 14th – ARRIVE READY 30 MINUTES PRIOR TO START TIME

FULL MAKE-UP & HAIR & COSTUMES, TIGHTS & SHOES.

4:00-6:00 (Cast A)

6:30-8:30 (Cast B)

Full Run-Throughs

HART HIGH

SHOW TIME !!!



Arrive 30 minutes before show time. Confirm your casts. Report to the cafeteria, which is directly behind the auditorium. All performers will be on stage for the finale. Curtain will close for 2 minutes and then open and parents can pick up performer from the stage.

Have a great time performing or watching the performances. Can't wait to see it all!!!

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5th – DANCE STUDIO 84

In costume, full hair, make-up for pictures

Dance/Cast	Pictures	Rehearse
Snowflakes Cast A	3:30	4:00-4:20
Snow Trees Cast A	3:45	4:00-4:20
Reeds Cast A	4:00	4:20-4:30
Snowflakes Cast B	4:15	4:45-5:05
Snow Trees Cast B	4:30	4:45-5:05
Reeds Cast B	4:45	5:05-5:15
Russian Cast A	5:00	5:15-5:30
Spanish Cast A	5:15	5:30-5:45
Russian Cast B	5:30	5:45-6:00
Spanish Cast B	5:45	6:00-6:15
Mother Ginger	6:00	6:15-6:30
Chinese Cast A	6:15	6:30-6:45
SP & Cavaliers	6:30	7:15-7:45
Chinese Cast B	6:45	7:00-7:15
Coda		7:15-7:45
Act I Opener Cast A	7:45	8:00-8:15
Act I Opener Cast B	8:15	8:30-8:45

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6th – DANCE STUDIO 84

In Costume, full hair, make-up for pictures

Dance/Cast	Pictures	Rehearse
Act II opener Cast A Candies	3:30	4:00-4:30
Act II opener Cast A Fairies	3:45	4:00-4:30
Act II Opener Cast B Candies	4:00	4:30-5:00
Act II Opener Cast B Fairies	4:15	4:30-5:00
Arabian Cast A	4:45	5:00-5:15
Arabian Cast B	5:00	5:15-5:30
Dross/Dolls	5:15	6:45-7:30
Waltz Flowers Cast A	5:30	5:45-6:00
Party Boys	5:45	6:45-8:00
Waltz Flowers Cast B	6:00	6:00-6:15
Clara/PG's/Teens	6:15	6:45-8:00
Maids/Nanny/Dr&Mrs	6:30	6:45-8:00
Party Scene		6:45-7:30
Mice	7:30	8:00-8:30
Soldiers	7:45	8:00-8:30

