

# Columbia Dance *Nutcracker* 2024

## BEAVER KITS

### Important Rehearsal and Performance Information

Questions? Contact us at 360-737-1922 or [info@columbiadance.org](mailto:info@columbiadance.org)

#### THEATER STAGE DOOR DROP OFF AND PICK UP:

- Your child's tech/dress rehearsals and performances (December 16-22) will take place at Skyview Concert Hall at Skyview High School, 1300 NW 139<sup>th</sup> Street, Vancouver.
- Upon turning into Skyview, take an immediate right into the staff parking lot (don't go around the loop). The stage door entrance is there, not at the main entrance. Parking spots labeled "staff" are available to Columbia Dance after 3:45pm. Please do not park in any spots marked "reserved."
- All dancers must enter & exit through the stage door entrance to the theater. Dancers need to enter and leave the theater with street clothes over their leotard and tights and without stage makeup on. Parents must wait outside of the stage door. Parents will not be able to go to the dressing rooms unless they are signed up to volunteer in the dressing rooms at that time.
- All dancers must sign in and out at the stage door entrance.
- If your child is unable to attend a dress rehearsal or performance due to illness or emergency, please call/text Becky Moore's cell phone 925-437-2929.

#### THEATER & DRESSING ROOM ETIQUETTE:

- **Recording Devices:** no video or photographic equipment is permitted at any rehearsal or performance. Cell phones are not allowed in rehearsals or in the backstage area of the theater. **Photos and videos are strictly prohibited in the dressing rooms** (as dancers are changing into costume). We will have a designated area for dancers to grab a picture with their friends in costume.
- **Tidiness:** space is extremely limited backstage. All dancers are expected to respect the other people around them and clean up after themselves. No food is permitted in the dressing room. We will have a lunch room for the children to eat in.
- **Ticket Reminder:** All audience members must have a ticket. Performers who wish to sit in the audience for the 2<sup>nd</sup> act of the performance they were in or in a performance of the alternate cast must have a ticket for that performance.
- **Dress Rehearsals** are closed to observers. Parents are not permitted to watch these rehearsals. We want to keep the kids' nerves to a minimum and keep you surprised at the real performance.

#### MAKEUP & DANCE BAG CHECKLIST:

- **Dance Bag Checklist:** All dancers need to be sure that they bring the following items with them each time they attend a *Nutcracker* Tech/Dress rehearsal or performance. **Dancers need to have a single satchel or duffel-type bag that is able to hold all of their belongings.** Dancers should always have their class uniform on when they arrive. Please be sure to put your child's name on their belongings!

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| Hairspray & Gel          | Clean performance tights without holes   |
| Brush & Comb             | EXTRA PAIR of performance tights in case of stains or runs                           |
| Bobby pins & Hair pins   | Clean ballet slippers  |
| Hair elastic & Hair nets | Warm comfortable cover-up, water bottle & healthy snacks                             |
| Ballet leotard           | Shoes/Slippers/Socks – to wear over their ballet slippers to keep dirt off the stage |
|                          | A quiet activity (deck of cards, coloring, book, etc)                                |
- **Level 1 - 4 Makeup:** Stage makeup will be provided in the dressing rooms by our trained volunteers. Dancers should arrive without makeup on. Parents will not be permitted backstage.
- **Costume and Hair:** Beaver kits need to arrive with their hair in a medium height bun. They need to provide their own "ballet pink" tights and pink ballet slippers and should have these items at every rehearsal from December 7<sup>th</sup> onward. Tights and shoes should be bought here <https://www.eurotard.com/v4/ClassUniform.aspx?ID=4799>
- **No nail polish or jewelry.**

***Nutcracker 2024***  
**CALENDAR OF PERFORMANCE WEEK EVENTS**  
**Rehearsals at Columbia Dance**  
**Beaver Kits**

**\*\*\*Please note: from December 7-22 your child ONLY has Nutcracker rehearsals, no regular classes\*\*\***

**November 27-30 CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING!**

**Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**Act 1 Rough Dress Rehearsals at COLUMBIA DANCE**  
**CAST A ONLY**

***Important Information:***

- Costumes will be worn by all cast members. Students need to bring their class uniform, performance tights, and shoes.
- Students should arrive with performance hair done and leotard and tights on underneath their street clothes.
- Students may not have any nail polish or jewelry on.  
12:00-2:00pm Beaver Kits

**Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**Act 1 Rough Dress Rehearsals at COLUMBIA DANCE**  
**CAST B ONLY**

***Important Information:***

- Costumes will be worn by all cast members. Students need to bring their class uniform, performance tights, and shoes.
- Students should arrive with performance hair done and leotard and tights on underneath their street clothes.
- Students may not have any nail polish or jewelry on.  
3:15-5:15pm Beaver Kits

**Sunday - Tuesday December 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>**  
DAYS OFF for Beaver Kits

**Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>**  
**Full Ballet Run-Through Rehearsals at COLUMBIA DANCE**  
**CAST A ONLY**

***Important Information:***

- No costumes or performance hair for this rehearsal. Students can wear any leotard, tights, and ballet slippers.  
5:45-7:00pm Beaver Kits

**Thursday and Friday December 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>**  
DAYS OFF for Beaver Kits

**Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**Full Ballet Run-Through Rehearsals at COLUMBIA DANCE**  
**CAST B ONLY**

***Important Information:***

- No costumes or performance hair for this rehearsal. Students can wear any leotard, tights, and ballet slippers.  
12:15-1:30pm Beaver Kits

**Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**  
DAY OFF for Beaver Kits

# **Nutcracker 2024**

## **CALENDAR OF PERFORMANCE WEEK EVENTS**

### **Rehearsals/Performances at Skyview**

### **Beaver Kits**

**Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Spacing Rehearsal at THEATER**

- Students should be signed in at the stage door in street clothes with rehearsal clothes on underneath.
- No costumes or performance hair for this rehearsal. Students can wear any leotard, tights, and ballet slippers.
- Students must be signed out by a parent at the stage door before leaving the theater.

**CAST A & CAST B:**

**Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup>:**

6:15-7:45pm Beavers Kits

**Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Tech/Dress Rehearsal at THEATER (PHOTOS TAKEN!)**

- Students should be signed in at the stage door with performance hair done and leotard and tights on underneath their street clothes.
- Full costumes will be worn. Students may not have any nail polish or jewelry on.
- Students must be signed out by a parent at the stage door before leaving the theater.

**CAST A**

**Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>:**

4:45-7:15pm Beaver Kits

**CAST B**

**Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>:**

4:45-7:15pm Beaver Kits

**Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup>**

DAY OFF

**Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup>**

**School Performances & Sensory Friendly Performance at the THEATER**

- Students should be signed in at the stage door with performance hair done and leotard and tights on underneath their street clothes.
- Students may not have any nail polish or jewelry on.
- Students must be signed out by a parent at the stage door before leaving the theater.

**CAST A**

**Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup>:**

9:30am-1:30pm Beaver Kits (bring a sack lunch)

**CAST B**

**Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup>:**

5:00pm-8:00pm

\*Parent may pick up at intermission (approx. 6:50pm)  
or at end of the show

**Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Public Performances at the THEATER**

- Students should be signed in at the stage door with performance hair done and leotard and tights on underneath their street clothes.
- Students may not have any nail polish or jewelry on.
- Students must be signed out by a parent at the stage door before leaving the theater.
- Students not in Act II may leave at intermission (with parent/guardian) or remain backstage until the end of the show.
- On days when students have 2 performances, they can either remain at the theater and eat in the lunch room or leave for a quick break with their parent being sure to sign back in by the appointed time.

**CAST A**

**Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup>:**

12:00pm Beaver Kits arrive  
**1:00pm Performance**  
 2:00pm Dancers not in Act II on break  
 3:00pm All dancers on break  
 4:00pm Beaver Kits arrive back  
**5:00pm Performance**  
 6:00pm Dancers not in Act II dismissed  
 7:00pm All dancers dismissed

**CAST B**

**Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>:**

12:00pm Beaver Kits arrive  
**1:00pm Performance**  
 2:00pm Dancers not in Act II on break  
 3:00pm All dancers on break  
 4:00pm Beaver Kits arrive back  
**5:00pm Performance**  
 6:00pm Dancers not in Act II dismissed  
 7:00pm All dancers dismissed