

STARZ Performing Arts

Presents

NOT YOUR TYPICAL **NUTCRACKER**

It is very important to read all of the following information!!

Rehearsal: Friday December 9, at Lake Orion High School 495 E. Scripps Road, Lake Orion, MI 48360 (See Your Exact Rehearsal Time Below) It is very important to attend the rehearsal, because your child will become familiar with wearing the costume and make-up, practicing the dance, spacing and placement on stage for your child, as well as the whole group. After the dance rehearsal and group pictures are taken, you are free to leave.

This year the rehearsal order listed below is the performance order.

Punctuality: Please arrive 30 minutes early (we may run early) to the rehearsal. Please come in **full costume, full make-up, and hair styled, ready for pictures and ready to dance for both the rehearsal and the recital.** You will not have access to a dressing room! If you are late it will not only affect your child, but the other children in the class, as well as subsequent classes.

Show Number	Rehearsal Time	Class Time	Dance
-----	4:00	ALL COMPETITION	Production/Other Comp.
1	4:25	Jordyn Solo	Nutcracker Opening
2	4:30	Tues. 5-5:45 BTJ A. 3-5	Rockin' The Xmas Tree
3	4:40	Tues. BTJ Gr. K-2, Rising Starz	We Like To Party!
4	4:50		Drosselmyer Solo
5	5:00	Reagan/Abby Duo	Drosselmyer's Toys
6	4:55	Tues. 10:30-11:15 BTJ A. 3-5	Clara Gets Nutcracker
7	5:05	ACTING SCENE	Break Nut./Party End
8	5:15	Saturday Rising Starz	Xmas Lullaby
9	5:25	HH Gr. 3-5, 6:00-6:45	Mouse King
10	5:35	Junior/Senior Company	Soldiers
11	5:50	Jordyn/Charlotte Duo	
12	6:00	Ballet 1 and Ballet 4	Dance of The Snowflakes
13	6:15	HH Gr. 6-8 6:45-7:30	Ice Ice Baby
14	6:25	Tues. Rising Starz	Dance of the Russians
15	6:35	HH Gr. 9-12 8-8:45	Candy Land
16	6:45	Sat. 9:45-10:30 BTJ A. 3-5	Dance of the Chinese
17	6:55	Ballet 2	Dance of the Reed Flutes
18	7:05	Sat. 10:30-11:15 BTJ Gr. K-2	Dance of the Arabians
19	7:15	Ballet 3	Waltz of the Flowers
20	7:30	HH Gr. K-2 5:30-6:00	Mother Ginger
21	7:40	Sasha Solo	Sugar Plum Fairy
22	7:50	Jordyn/Charlotte Duo	Farewell

Make-Up: Dramatize eyes, cheeks and lips for the rehearsal and the recital. The bright lights will make your child look pale. Make-up is a big part of the recital experience. You should arrive to rehearsal with your make-up done. You will not have access to other people's makeup.

Pictures: Stewart Photography will be taking pictures at the rehearsal after the dancers have been on stage. Taking the group picture is **mandatory**, however taking an individual picture and purchasing any pictures is optional. Pictures are delivered at the recital (except specialty items will be mailed directly in 4-6 weeks). Mother's helpers will have the pictures to distribute at recital.

No parents are allowed in the green room where pictures are taken. It gets too crowded with all the parents, dancers, photo personnel, and dancers in the dressing rooms. You must walk out of the auditorium and go down the hallway next to the ticket window. Thanks in advance for your cooperation. If problems arise with your picture orders, please contact Stewart Photography directly.

Dressing Rooms: Dressing rooms are assigned to students that require costume changes. Other dancers, during rehearsal are NOT ALLOWED in the dressing rooms during rehearsal for any reason: to change, use the restrooms, use the make-up, or hair care products.

Recital: Saturday, May 21 at 3 p.m. at Lake Orion High School. The show is approximately 2 hours. Dancers must arrive in full costume, and make-up, with hair styled, no later than 2:45. Please note: You will not be allowed in the dressing rooms, unless you have more than one number. Preschool Dancers will be sitting with their families. Please deliver your dancers to the parent helpers in designated areas. Please suppress the urge to visit your child during the show. This is very distracting. If other dancers see one mommy, they want to know where theirs is too.

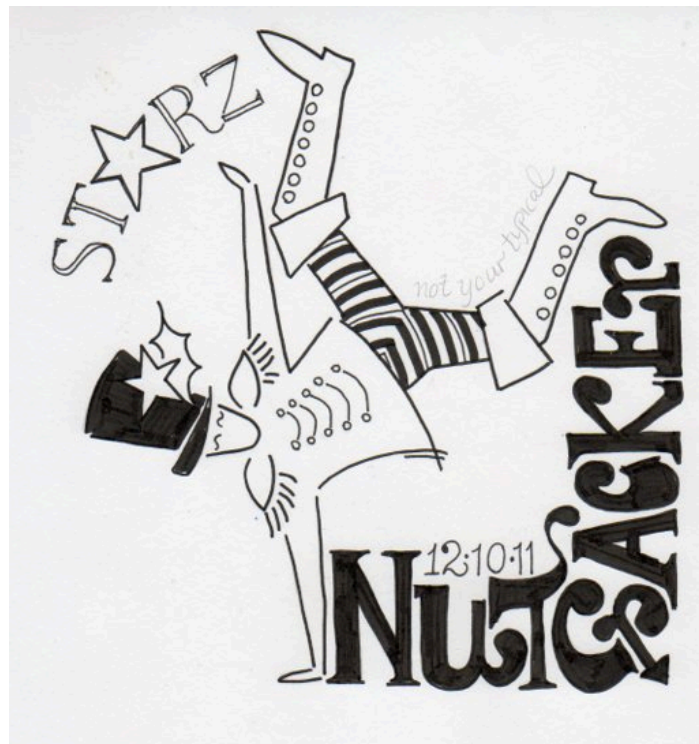
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Tickets: Cost \$15 each. Dancers do not need a ticket, nor do small lap-sitting children. **Tickets and seating is assigned based on a lottery system.** The pre-school classes will be sitting with their families. Tickets are non refundable and will be delivered at the rehearsal. You will not receive your tickets until your entire tuition, including late payment fees, and your costume payment has been paid. If there are tickets available, they will be sold at the door for \$18, however since we only have one show, we are predicting a sold out show! Tickets will be available for pick-up in the auditorium during rehearsal and in the front ticket window during recital.

Personal Program Ads: A printed memory/keepsake to tell your child how proud you are for just \$5. The message can be no longer than 3 lines (approximately 30 words). Program ads will be printed exactly how you write them on the form. Ads turned in after the due date, may not be able to be added to the program.

Ex: Abigail Bass: You are such a beautiful dancer! We are so proud of you and are amazed everytime you step foot on that stage! Love You Lots! Mommy, Daddy, Charlotte and William

Recital T-Shirts Cost \$15. Please pre-order. We **will not** have any available for sale at the recital. The Cast List of all our Starz students in the recital is on the back. This is a great souvenir of our special day. T-Shirts may be available for pick-up at the rehearsal but for some reason they are not ready, you can pick them up at the studio on Tuesday or Wednesday December 13 or 14, from 5-7pm. We will have past recital t-shirts on sale in the front lobby for \$5. The supply is limited. The rough sketch of the recital t-shirt is below.



Flowers: Dancers will receive a beautiful 6 flower rose bouquet. Please pre-order, as we will not have many extra bouquets this year! This is our studios only fundraiser, with the profits going towards the Dancing Angels Scholarship Program. (Did you know that most dance studios have mandatory fundraisers?) Bouquets need to be picked up prior to the start of the show!

Video: You may video and photograph during the rehearsal only. **Absolutely, NO flash photography or video cameras of any kind will be allowed during the recital performance.** This is distracting to the dancers on stage as well as other audience members. A professional video of the program is available for purchase and is highly recommended. You will love this keepsake of your child, but they love to see the entire performance again and again and learn dance steps from other numbers. DVD's are \$30 (add \$5 if your DVD needs to be mailed) and will arrive in 6-8 weeks. We will have a pick-up date at the studio, or add \$5 for mailing. Please fill out the bottom of the order form correctly as that will be used as your mailing address. DVD order forms will be available at the show, and need to be turned in with full payment.

Dancing Angels Scholarship Program: We would like to ask you to consider donating a gift of money to our Dancing Angels Scholarship Program. This money is used for children who are unable to afford dance classes, shoes or costumes. Currently, 21 dancers at Starz are receiving financial help. In this way, you can help us, help others, by making the dream to dance come true for every child who wants it. **Thank you for your help and support!!**

Recital Forms: Recital Order Forms are due no later than Wednesday, December 7. Please have all forms turned in with full payment before the due date or else specialty items may not be able to be purchased and tickets will be assigned after the lottery. Payments is by cash or check only! Sorry no mastercards and visas! Also please keep recital payments separate from tuition or late fee payments!

Volunteers/Parent Helpers: We need a few parent helpers to organize their child's group: help bring them on stage, sit with them during the show (in the audience) and deliver them to their parent/guardian afterward. We will also need parent helpers with merchandise, t-shirts, flowers, and ushers. Please notify Miss Charlotte to volunteer for your child's group. You need to arrive 30 minutes before the performance and pick-up a checklist for your assigned dance.

Ushers: We need of 3-4 male volunteers to act as ushers: check tickets on the way in, help escort people to their seats, and make sure guests are not taking video/photos during the performance. . We have had issues with people sneaking in and standing on the wall, which is a fire hazard. If you are interested please contact Miss Charlotte.

Special Announcements: We are so proud of Anna Smith, Anna Trzcinski, Marissa Smith, and Kaylee Adair for performing in The Ballet Met's production of the Nutcracker at the Detroit Opera House. It was such a wonderful experience for these girls to showcase their talents and represent STARZ. We enjoyed seeing them perform over Thanksgiving break.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for being here at STARZ. Some of you have been with us for a long time. I can't begin to tell you how much I appreciate your loyalty. Others have just started with us. Thank you for selecting this studio to provide your children with a great dance education, as well as love and support from me and our teachers. Some of you have been at other studios, and I hope you understand why we do things very differently here and are happy making the change. No matter who or why you're here- I am very, very thankful for you and your support! At STARZ Performing Arts, we are more than just a dance studio-we are a family!

If you have any questions please contact us as soon as possible!

Happy Holidays and looking forward to a wonderful show!

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FORMS DUE NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2011

Office Use Only: _____ Seats: _____

Students Name: _____ **Class Day/Time:** _____

Full Address: _____ **Phone:** _____

Tickets:
Seating is assigned based on a lottery. Tickets will be delivered at the rehearsal. Tickets are \$18 at Rehearsal!

3 p.m. performance: Qty _____ x \$15 each = _____ (Office Use: Student: _____) \$ _____

Handicapped Seating Needed? Specifics? _____

Program Message: (\$5 / 3 Lines / Approx. 30 words):

_____ \$ _____

T-Shirts: Qty _____ x \$15 each = \$ _____
____ Youth Small ____ Youth Medium ____ Youth Large ____ Youth X-Large
____ Adult Small ____ Adult Medium ____ Adult Large ____ Adult X-Large

Flowers: \$15 for a beautiful 6 rose bouquet. This is our only fundraiser at STARZ.
Number Of Bouquets: _____ x \$15 = \$ _____

Videos:
by Action Video Productions, Don Reese (248) 393-1216
Number of DVD's _____ x \$30 \$ _____

Please Add \$5 if you would like your DVD mailed. \$ _____

Dancing Angels Scholarship/Teacher Appreciation:
Family Name to appear in program. Thank you for your help and support! \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____
(Sorry, No Master Card or Visa)