## SACRAMENTO BALLET

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MEDIA ALERT:

## SACRAMENTO BALLET SETS NUTCRACKER YOUTH AUDITIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 10, 2022

Local Talents Vie For Cherished Casting As Candy Canes, Mice & Shooting Stars

**WHAT:** (September 10, 2022) Sacramento Ballet has announced its 2022 Open Youth Auditions for Nutcracker, Tchaikovsky's beloved ballet, an annual hometown tradition. The audition — this year held on September 10, 2022 — is open to all youth between the ages of 7 and 18 years old who are interested in rehearsing and performing with the renowned company this fall and throughout the December holiday season.

"Our youth auditions are one of the most anticipated annual community events for Sacramento Ballet," said Artistic/Executive Director Anthony Krutzkamp. "For so many in Northern California, SacBallet's youth audition day is the first sign that the 2022 holidays are coming. So, we must ensure that our cast of shooting stars, candy canes, soldiers, mice, and party children are in place because, without them, there is no Nutcracker! SacBallet encourages and welcomes all aspiring dancers to try out for this always-magical Ballet experience. We look forward to seeing everyone on September 10th!"

**WHERE:** Auditions will be held at SacBallet Studios, 2420 N Street, Sacramento, CA. Enter through the O Street parking lot, located between 24th and 25th Streets. Parking in the lot will be limited and spots are usually available on the street.

**HOW TO APPLY:** All Sacramento area youth, from a minimum age of 7 up to 18 years old, are invited to audition. Dance experience is suggested. Candidates must be able to follow directions and sit calmly during auditions and subsequent rehearsals.

All registration must be completed prior to arriving on site. SacBallet's website has details and answers to frequently asked questions. Visit: www.sacballet.org/childrens-auditions/

For additional assistance with online registration procedures, please contact the front desk at School of Sacramento Ballet at 916-552-5800 (choose option 3). For more information online, visit: www.sacballet.org/nutcracker-2022/

WHEN: Saturday, September 10, 2022

SacBallet Nutcracker Youth Auditions Schedule:

12 years and younger, height 4'7" and under 8:30 am - Earliest sign-in begins 9:00 am - Auditions

12 years and younger, height 4'7" and taller 10:00 am - Earliest sign-in begins 10:30 am - Auditions start

12 and older, 5'3" or less 12:30 pm - Earliest sign-in begins 1:00 pm - Auditions start

12-14 years, taller than 5'3 1:30 pm - Sign-in begins 2:30 pm - Auditions start

Youth 15 and older, taller than 5'3 3:00 pm - Sign-in begins 4:00 pm - Auditions start

## WHY THIS MATTERS:

Sacramento Ballet delivers high-quality, world-stage-worthy ballet, dance, education & outreach initiatives. A modern, forward-leaning organization which respects its past while welcoming the future, Sacramento Ballet aims to unite, include & inspire its diverse audiences. Connecting cultures with the positive power of live performance, it expands its reach to audiences via online streaming, regional programming & educational activities. Guided by Artistic/Executive Director Anthony Krutzkamp — an innovative choreographer who raised the image/reputation of the Kansas City Dance Festival, Moving Arts Kansas City & Moving Arts Cincinnati — Sacramento Ballet's 68th season will be unforgettable.

## **ABOUT SACRAMENTO BALLET:**

A highly regarded cultural asset renowned for artistic quality, Sacramento Ballet attracts approximately 80,000 people to performances annually. Deeply committed to the Capitol region for nearly 70 years, it conducts extensive outreach, educational & collaborative projects. It is the only local arts organization maintaining a residency of artists, enabling it to deliver world class programming for its community. A 501(c)(3) non-profit, funding includes corporate, foundation & government support. For more information, visit www.sacballet.org.

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