## Nutcracker General Costume Information

- Your dancers' costume rental is included in your participation fees.
- Each dancer will be fit for and receive a costume during one of their weekly rehearsals in either September or October.
- You are responsible for keeping and maintaining this costume at home until it is needed for in-studio dress rehearsals, dress rehearsals at the Masonic Center, and our Performances.
- Costumes **MUST** be returned on the Monday following our Performances, December 8<sup>th</sup> to SDSD. The time of costume return will be announced closer to the date.
  - Costumes MAY NOT be returned at any other time including at the Masonic Center
  - o Costumes returned at any other time will incur a \$35/per costume piece late return fee.
  - Costumes that are lost or damaged will incur a fee of minimum \$50 up to the cost needed to replace an entire set of costumes.

Please follow the Costume Care Guidelines below to keep our costumes safe and looking their best:

- Please do let let your dancer play or eat in their costume prior to our recital on May 31st. This way your dancers costume will not get damaged or dirty.
- Please store your dancers costume in a closet where it can hang freely. Please do not fold it or store it in a bag as this can severely wrinkle and damage the costume.
- If your dancers costume is wrinkly, we recommend placing it in the bathroom while taking a hot shower and this will safely release the wrinkles. **DO NOT** place your child's costume in the washer or dryer as it will damage the costume.
- We highly recommend investing in a garment bag to house all costume items. This prevents items from being lost, damaged or forgotten.
- Also please make a note if your dancer needs to provide their own items as part of a costume (black leotard, black tights, etc.) so that these items are not forgotten.

## Nutcracker Role-Specific Costume Information

### **Mother Ginger Clowns:**

- Green & Purple Body suit
- Green & Purple hood
  - Should completely cover hair and MUST be secured with at least 4 bobby pins. 2 pins crossed in an X above each ear.
- Leotard underneath (dancer provided)
- Pink Tights (dancer provided)
- Pink Ballet Shoes (dancer provided)

### **Little Angel:**

- White Angel Dance Dress
- White leotard underneath
- Angel Halo
  - should sit on top of head IN FRONT of their bun. MUST be secured with at least 4 bobby pins. 2 pins crossed in an X above each ear.
- Pink Tights (dancer provided)
- Pink Ballet Shoes (dancer provided)
- Optional Nude Leotard underneath (dancer provided

#### **Little Arabians:**

- Aqua leotard
- Aqua mesh pants with attached belt
- Gold arm Bands
- Aqua & Gold veil
  - should sit on top of head IN FRONT of their medium height bun. MUST be secured with at least 4 bobby pins. 2 pins crossed in an X on each side.
- Optional Nude Leotard underneath (dancer provided)
- Pink Tights (dancer provided)
- Pink Ballet Shoes (dancer provided)

#### **Little Snow:**

- White Snow Dance Dress
- Snowflake Hairpiece
  - on right side of bun must be secured with at least 4 bobby pins
- Pink Tights (dancer provided)
- Pink Ballet Shoes (dancer provided)
- Optional Nude Leotard underneath (dancer provided

## Nutcracker Role-Specific Costume Information

### **Party Boy:**

- Party Boy Jacket with dickie (secured with 2 safety pins)
- Party Boy Pants
- White Tights
- Black Leotard (dancer provided)
- Black Jazz Shoes (dancer provided)
- Hair: LOW BUN

### **Party Girl:**

- Party Girl Dress
- Party Girl Pantaloons
- Party Girl Petticoat
- Curled Fake Hair piece (dancer provided)
  - secured over bun with several bobby pins
- Party Girl Hair Bow
- Black/Nude Leotard underneath (dancer provided)
- Pink Tights (dancer provided)
- Pink Ballet Shoes (dancer provided)

### Little Spanish:

- Black Cap Sleeve Leotard with Spanish front
- Spanish Skirt
- Rose hairpiece
  - o worn on right side of bun
- Pink Tights (dancer provided)
- Pink Ballet Shoes (dancer provided)
- Optional Nude Leotard underneath (dancer provided

## **Candy Cane:**

- White leotard with Candy Cane front
- Candy Cane Skirt
- Pink Tights (dancer provided)
- Pink Ballet Shoes/Pointe Shoes (dancer provided)
- Optional Nude Leotard underneath (dancer provided

# Nutcracker Role-Specific Costume Information

#### **Little Russian:**

- Little Russian Tunic
- Little Russian Sash
  - o tied at waist in a double knot
- Little Russian Hat
  - should cover bun and sit as close to front of hair as possible - MUST be secured with at least 4 bobby pins.
    2 pins crossed in an X above each ear.
- Black Leotard (dancer provided)
- Black Tights (dancer provided)
- Black Jazz Shoes (dancer provided)
- Hair: Medium height bun to fit with hat

#### Soldier:

- Soldier body suit
- Soldier Hat
  - should be placed vertically on head and secured with at least 8 bobby pins
- Black leotard underneath (dancer provided)
- Black Tights (dancer provided)
- Black Jazz Shoes (dancer provided)