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AC Ballet Announces Children's Auditions For Nutcracker

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We may have a couple of more weeks of summer left but the AC Ballet is thinking about a Sugarplum Fairy and a magical doll! So grab your mistletoe and candy canes and get ready for Nutcracker children's auditions. In its 35th year, the Atlantic City Ballet is preparing to give area dance students an opportunity to work alongside its professional company of dancers. It is an opportunity most dance students will never forget and memories that will last a lifetime. Over the past 35 years, Ms. Papa, the company's Founder and Artistic Director, has cast thousands of children in the ballet's production. So many, in fact, that now Nutcracker alumni are bringing their children to audition. The tradition will continue this year with performances at Stockton Performing Arts Center and the Circus Maximus Theater at Caesars Hotel in Atlantic City. In addition, the company will also be returning to The Strand Theater in Lakewood and will be accompanied by the Garden State Philharmonic. Auditions will be Sunday September 17, 2017 at the ACBT Performing Arts Academy in Egg Harbor City. All local dance students are encouraged to audition.

Founded in 1982, by International Ballerina, Phyllis Papa, the Atlantic City Ballet is comprised of professional dancers from around the world and have earned national acclaim for their technical expertise and exuberant stage presence. Although their home base is in Historic Boardwalk Hall in Atlantic City, the Ballet has performed in theaters all along the east coast. Their repertoire of original works includes such classics as A Midsummer Night's Dream, Sleeping Beauty and Swan Lake but Ms. Papa is most known for her innovative works such as Dracula, Caught Up In The Swing and her full length Carmen. Since its inception, the Atlantic City Ballet has served as one of the cultural treasures of New Jersey and continues a tradition of dance excellence for future generations of ballet audiences.

Sunday September 17, 2017

ACBT Performing Arts Academy-713 W Moss Mill Road Egg Harbor City, NJ

1:00pm- Mandatory Parents Meeting

1:30- boys 8-12 (no dancing required but some acting experience helpful)

1:45- 5-7 year olds

2:15- 8 year olds & up (non-pointe)

3:15- 10 years old & up (en pointe)

Boys who are cast will NOT be required to dance. All rehearsals will take place at the Academy.

For more information please call the ballet office at 609-348-7201 or visit www.acballet.org and click on Nutcracker.

Schedule of Performances

12/8-Stockton PAC-Galloway-10:30am & 7:00pm

12/9-Stockton PAC-Galloway-1:00pm & 7:00pm

12/16-Circus Maximus-AC-7:00pm

12/17-Circus Maximus-AC-4:00pm

12/23-The Strand-Lakewood-7:00

Auditions will be held in the form of a class, no advance preparation is needed. Boys ages 8-12 who are interested in being in the Nutcracker as extras for the party scene should attend the auditions or call the AC Ballet office at 609-348-7201.