The PDT Dance Arts
🎄 2026 Holiday Performance Information Packet 🎄

This information packet is to provide you with information you will need for the upcoming holiday performance. Closer to the performance time, we will update this information with all of the specific details you need for an amazing performance experience!

WHO: **All PDT Dancers!!!**

WHAT: A holiday performance celebration including "The Lonestar Nutcracker!"

WHEN: **November 17-21 2026**

November 17-19 Dress Rehearsals

November 20 - 7:00 Evening Performance

November 21 - 2:00 Matinee Performance

WHERE: **The Eisemann Bank of America Theatre**

Important Details

🚨 **ALL PDT Dancers are *_AUTOMATICALLY_* signed up for this performance, based on the classes your dancer takes.**

🚨 Parents will want to save the PDT Holiday Performance Page on our website at **www.pdtdancearts.com/holiday2026.** This page will have all of the updates and important information included for your convenience. Items like volunteer sign ups, performance week schedules, backstage tips and everything else you'll need for your dancer to have a wonderful performance experience!

📋 Below you will find a list of participating classes. If your dancer is listed below, your dancer is signed up to participate.

🐓 Costumes have been ordered for all dancers. If you missed the September 21st deadline opting out, your dancer will receive costumes and you will be responsible for all fees associated.

🌟 **Please carefully read through this packet and then proceed to fill out your form so we can make sure your dancer is all set for their big performance!**

PERFORMANCE LINE UPS!

Please see the list below for your dancer's name and the class(es) your dancer is associated with.

- ☑ Dancers may appear be in ***BOTH*** performances. Be sure you check both line ups.
- ☑ Mini Movers will appear in ***ONE*** performance.
- ☑ If your dancer is a competition dancer and is listed below, your dancer will perform in these pieces.

FRIDAY November 20th, 7:00PM PERFORMANCE

ACT I - Holiday Showcase!

Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree	Competition Team
Jazz II - "Santa Tell Me"	Anika Acharya, Gianna Hartman, Olivia Jenkins, Melanie (Melmel) Zielinska, Fatimah Rodriguez, Libi Shalev
Jazz I - "Shake the Snow Globe"	Hope Engster, Delta Holmes, Tejasee Lakshmi, Ellie Munoz-Rubsamen, Zarina Patel, Talia Gieseler, Sarah Sobral, Melissa Sobral
Hiphop III	Makenzie Andrews, Mackenzie Breeze, Chloe Diab, Mia Diab, Lakhi Kolanu, Reagan Moctezuma, Carissa Soliz, Ahana Kaji
Intro Lyrical - "Where are You Christmas?"	Lianna Feemster, Everly Matthews
Ballet II - "Harry Potter Waltz"	Nya Davis, Olivia Jenkins, Lakasey Norwood, Melanie (Melmel) Zielinska, Elena Pantaleon, Claire Krentsa, Mila Espinoza, Gianna Hartman,
Ballet I - "Elf!"	Evelyn Chambers, Annabel Colsant, , Ellie Munoz-Rubsamen, Diya Musunuri, Lillian Rhee, Fatimah Rodriguez, Delta Holmes, Analee Wilkin
Mini Movers GROUP 1 - FRI "Once Upon a December"	Gwenyth Guzman, Levi White, Chaithra Janga - Parupalli, Shreshta Arra, Elena Tooyoka, Nina Toyooka
Jazz Funk II - "Last Christmas"	Nya Davis, Lakhi Kolanu, Gabi Leite, Shaanya Nookala, Zarina Patel, Lulu (Tallulah) Satter, Olivia Selvy, Libi Shalev, Nora Pitek
Hiphop I - "Mr. Grinch"	Delta Holmes, Emma Mendez, Isabella Mendez, Smera Nunna, Talia Gieseler
Drill Team Poms - "Oh Santa"	Anika Acharya, Sophy Huff, Sarah Sobral, Aarshi Zaveri, Everly Delaney, Melissa Sobral, Brynn Dewey, Aarshi Zaveri, Analee Wilkin
Contemporary I & 2 - "Hallelujah"	Mila Espinoza, Claire Krentsa, Olivia Jenkins, Gabi Leite, Melanie (Melmel) Zielinska, Olivia Selvy
Bells Bows Gifts Trees	Competition Team

ACT II - A Lonestar Nutcracker!

CURTAIN CALL	ALL Dancers in the FRIDAY Performance

SATURDAY November 21st 2:00PM PERFORMANCE

ACT I - Holiday Showcase!

Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree	Competition Team
Jazz Funk II - "Last Christmas"	Nya Davis, Lakhi Kolanu, Gabi Leite, Shaanya Nookala, Zarina Patel, Lulu (Tallulah) Satter, Olivia Selvy, Libi Shalev, Nora Pitek
Intro Ballet - "Oh What a Merry Christmas"	Nakai Matiyenga, Stella Pantaleon, Ella Kang (Lee),
Drill Team Poms - "Oh Santa"	Anika Acharya, Sophy Huff, Sarah Sobral, Aarshi Zaveri, Everly Delaney, Melissa Sobral, Brynn Dewey, Aarshi Zaveri, Analee Wilkin
Intro Hiphop - "You're a Mean One"	Hope Engster, Emma Orriny, Sky Wu
Contemporary I & 2 - "Hallelujah"	Mila Espinoza, Claire Krentsa, Olivia Jenkins, Gabi Leite, Melanie (Melmel) Zielinska, Olivia Selvy
Mini Movers GROUP 2 - SAT "Once Upon a December"	Aanya Tajane, Olivia Bennett, Leilani Klohe, Sunday Marcus, Selah Anderson, Clara Jane Rosado, Capri McCoy, Amani Uzo-Diribe, Amara Uzo-Diribe, Emmarie Champion, Elle Houser,
Hiphop III	Makenzie Andrews, Mackenzie Breeze, Chloe Diab, Mia Diab, Lakhi Kolanu, Reagan Moctezuma, Carissa Soliz, Ahana Kaji
Intro Jazz - "Candy Cane Lane"	Nakai Matiyenga, Stella Pantaleon, Kareena Sharma. Ella Gares, Gemma Gares,
Jazz II - "Santa Tell Me"	Anika Acharya, Gianna Hartman, Olivia Jenkins, Melanie (Melmel) Zielinska, Fatimah Rodriguez, Libi Shalev
Jazz Funk I - "I Believe in Santa"	Eleanor Davies, Nyla Jallow, Gia Jenkins, Emma Mendez, Isabella Mendez, Sky Wu, Carleigh Selvy, Smera Nunna, Emmy O'Connell, Sarah Sobral
Bells Bows Gifts Trees	Competition Team

ACT II - A Lonestar Nutcracker!

CURTAIN CALL	ALL Dancers in the SATURDAY Performance

Schedule

Please read through the Dress Rehearsal and Performance Week Schedule *CAREFULLY*. The days and times your dancer needs to be at the theatre will vary depending on the day and tasks that are required.



Saturday, November 14th - Curtain Call Rehearsal *At the Studio*

10:00-11:30 ALL DANCERS in the **FRIDAY** Performance

11:30-1:00 ALL DANCERS in the **SATURDAY** Performance

Tuesday, November 17th - At the Eisemann Bank of America Theatre

4:30-9:00pm The Lonestar Nutcracker (ACT II) Tech, Blocking & Dress Rehearsal

Wednesday, November 18th - FULL DRESS REHEARSAL for the FRIDAY Performance at the Eisemann Bank of America Theatre

4:15-5:00 **FRIDAY** performance dancers ARRIVE - All Dancers in the **FRIDAY** Performance.

5:00 PM **FRIDAY** CURTAIN CALL REHEARSAL - ALL DANCERS in the **FRIDAY** Performance

5:45 PM **FRIDAY ACT I** Dress Rehearsal Begins- All dancers in ACT I of the **FRIDAY** performance. This will be a full run through in order of appearance for the **FRIDAY ACT I** performance.

Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree	Competition Team
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Jazz I - "Shake the Snow Globe"	Hope Engster, Delta Holmes, Tejasee Lakshmi, Ellie Munoz-Rubsamen, Zarina Patel, Talia Gieseler, Sarah Sobral
Hiphop III - "Here Comes Santa Claus"	Makenzie Andrews, Mackenzie Breeze, Chloe Diab, Mia Diab, Lakhi Kolanu, Reagan Moctezuma, Carissa Soliz, Ahana Kaji
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Hiphop I - "Mr. Grinch"	Delta Holmes, Emma Mendez, Isabella Mendez, Smera Nunna, Talia Gieseler
Drill Team Poms - "Oh Santa"	Anika Acharya, Sophy Huff, Sarah Sobral, Aarshi Zaveri, Everly Delaney, Melissa Sobral, Brynn Dewey, Aarshi Zaveri, Analee Wilkin
Contemporary I & 2 - "Hallelujah"	Mila Espinoza, Claire Krentsa, Olivia Jenkins, Gabi Leite, Melanie (Melmel) Zielinska, Olivia Selvy
Bells Bows Gifts Trees	Competition Team

ACT I Dancers will be dismissed after their dance performs on stage. Dancers in ACT I only should be picked up no later than 7:00pm.

7:00 Act II Dress Rehearsal - A Lonestar Nutcracker

9:00 All Dancers in ACT II Dismissed

Thursday, November 19th - **FULL DRESS REHEARSAL** for the **SATURDAY** Performance at the Eisemann Bank of America Theatre

4:15-5:00 **SATURDAY** performance dancers ARRIVE - All Dancers in the **SATURDAY** Performance.

5:00 **SATURDAY** CURTAIN CALL REHEARSAL - All Dancers in the **SATURDAY** Performance

5:45 **SATURDAY ACT I** Dress Rehearsal Begins - All dancers in ACT I of the **SATURDAY** Performance. This will be a full run-through in order of appearance for **SATURDAY Act I**

Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree	Competition Team
Jazz Funk II - "Last Christmas"	Nya Davis, Lakhi Kolanu, Gabi Leite, Shaanya Nookala, Zarina Patel, Lulu (Tallulah) Satter, Olivia Selvy, Libi Shalev, Nora Pitek
Intro Ballet - "Oh What a Merry Christmas"	Nakai Matiyenga, Stella Pantaleon, Ella Kang (Lee),
Drill Team Poms - "Oh Santa"	Anika Acharya, Sophy Huff, Sarah Sobral, Aarshi Zaveri, Everly Delaney, Melissa Sobral, Brynn Dewey, Aarshi Zaveri, Analee Wilkin
Intro Hiphop - "You're a Mean One"	Hope Engster, Emma Orriny, Sky Wu
Contemporary I & 2 - "Hallelujah"	Mila Espinoza, Claire Krentsa, Olivia Jenkins, Gabi Leite, Melanie (Melmel) Zielinska, Olivia Selvy
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Bells Bows Gifts Trees	Competition Team

ACT I Dancers will be dismissed after their dance performs on stage. Dancers only in ACT I should be picked up no later than 7:00pm.

7:00 ACT II - The Lonestar Nutcracker

9:00 All Dancers in ACT II dismissed

Friday, November 20th - **FRIDAY PERFORMANCE!!!**

4:45 Dancer Arrival - All dancers except Mini Movers.

5:00 Warm Ups On Stage

5:45 Dancers prepare for Performance

6:00 Mini Movers Arrive

7:00 **Friday Performance!**

Saturday, November 21st - **SATURDAY PERFORMANCE!!!**

11:45 Dancer Arrival - All dancers except Mini Movers.

12:00 Warm Ups On Stage

12:45 Dancers prepare for Performance

1:00 Mini Movers Arrive

2:00 **Saturday Performance!**

Procedures

Please read the following carefully for important information on what to expect for the performance.

WEDNESDAY November 18th & THURSDAY November 19th - DRESS REHEARSAL PROCEDURES

- [x] You will need to arrive dressed and ready to perform in their first costume.
- [x] Upon arrival, you will bring your dancer to the SOUTH entrance of the Eisemann Bank of America Theatre.
- [x] You will be met by security and our Check In Desk. You will bring your dancer to the Check In Desk to check them in.
- [x] If you are a Volunteer Mom, you will also be checked in and you will be given a badge with your name on it.
- [x] If you are not a Volunteer, you will exit the premisis and your dancer will be escorted to the dressing room they are assigned to. You will not be permitted beyond the check in desk.
- [x] If your dancer has more than one dance, they will set up a station in the dressing room for their other costume(s) for changing. If your dancer does not have a second costume, they will be escorted to the theatre to wait for their dress rehearsal.
- [x] All dancers must attend the "Curtain Call Rehearsal" time slot at 5:00pm for the performances they are participating in. The Curtain Call is different for each performance, so if your dancer is in BOTH performances they must attend BOTH Curtain Call rehearsals.
- [x] If your dancer is only in ACT I, your dancer will be dismissed after they have performed their dance(s) in the ACT I portion of the dress rehearsal. All ACT I dancers will be dismissed no later than 7:00pm.
- [x] For dismissal, your dancer will be brought to the Check In Table for you to check them out. For the safety of our dancers, all dancers must check out at the Check In Desk.

FRIDAY November 20th & SATURDAY November 21st - PERFORMANCE PROCEDURES

- [x] All Dancers must arrive no later than 4:45pm - *EXCEPT MINI MOVERS*
- [x] All Dancers will go to the SOUTH entrance of the Eisemann Bank of America Theatre to Check In.
- [x] All Dancers will be escorted to the dressing rooms to prepare for the performance. Parents are not allowed backstage with their dancers unless they are a volunteer mom.
- [x] All MIni Movers should arrive by **6:00pm for the FRIDAY** Performance and **1:00pm for the SATURDAY** Performance
- [x] The house opens for seating at **6:30pm for the FRIDAY** Performance and **1:30pm for the SATURDAY** Performance.
- [x] The shows will begin at **7:00pm for the FRIDAY** Performance and **2:00pm for the SATURDAY** Performance.
- [x] After the performance, dancers will be brought out to the lobby area for the "Meet & Greet" where you can take photos, give your dancer flowers and praise them for all of their hard work!
- [x] After the "Meet & Greet" all dancers ***MUST RETURN BACK STAGE*** to collect their belongings and **Check Out** at the Check In desk. ALL Parents will meet their dancer at the door by the SOUTH entrance to check them out.

Rules & Regulations

All of the following rules and regulations are set for the safety and wellbeing of our dancers. We want the performance to be an incredible memorable experience for all of them so please read the following very carefully to ensure your dancer has the best experience possible!

Parents are not permitted in the backstage area. This is a rule set by the Eisemann Bank of America Theatre. *Please do not ask.* Admittance to the backstage area is ONLY allowed for performers, volunteers & staff of PDT Dance Arts. Volunteers & Staff will have badges indicating so and will be on the VIP list at the security desk.

Dancers are not permitted in the audience during performances. *Please do not ask.*

Dancers are not permitted to leave until the performance has completed. *Please do not ask.*

For the safety and security of all of our dancers: Dancers may NOT leave through the lobby during the "Meet & Greet" - All dancers MUST CHECK OUT at the Check-In Desk backstage and leave via the South Entrance of the Theatre.

For the safety of our Performers: Dancers may not wear Jewlery, nail polish, bright colored hair extensions or any other items that may fall off causing a hazard or distraction from their performance. They may only wear their designated costume and accessories that come along with their costumes.

For the safety of our Performers: Dancers may not bring tablets, phones, apple watches or any other devices that photograph or record in their dressing rooms. *Please leave these items at home.* Dancers will be changing and we do not want any accidental exposures on social media. We will collect any phones at the Check-In Desk that dancers may request to use in the presence of the Check-In Attendant if there is an emergency.

For the safety of our Performers: Photos and videos of our performance are *STRICTLY PROHIBITED*. Photos may be taken during Dress Rehearsals only by our parent volunteers only - no flash photography.

Dancers will need a pair of slip on shoes to wear backstage. If your dancer participated in "Body Language 2026" the slides they received will work great!

Dancers may not bring food or drinks to the dress rehearsals or performances. We will have snacks and waters for our dancers to enjoy while they are backstage. Please be mindful and plan dinner around their rehearsals.

Dancers may not bring toys, games, electronics or anything other than themselves, their costumes & accessories necessary for performance. Please make sure your dancer has their hair and make up prepared prior to arrival.

Volunteer Information

- [x] We are always looking for backstage help at the shows. Backstage volunteers include dressing room attendantants, check in desk attendants, help with props & sets for load in and load out, and many other things. Closer to the performance, we will give you the opportunity to sign up to help backstage if you so desire. This sign up will be posted on the Holiday Performance Page at www.pdtdancearts.com/holiday2026 in mid October.

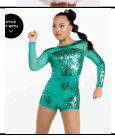
- [x] Moms of Mini Movers and Intro Level dancers are encouraged to sign up as dressing room attendants backstage, as these are our youngest dancers. If they have costume changes they often feel more comfortable having Moms to help.

- [x] Backstage volunteers are not permitted to watch the performances, however, you will have special access during dress rehearsal to watch your dancer perform on stage, take photos and see them in action.

- [x] Backstage volunteers also get free parking passes for the days you are there to help!

- [x] Volunteers who sign up for a performance must be available and attend the dress rehearsal for the coinsiding performance. This is so that our dressing room Moms know what to expect for the actual performance.

Hair, Shoes, Tights & Costumes!

SONG	HAIR	SHOES	TIGHTS	COSTUME
ACT I Opener - "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree"	Ponytail	White Crew Tennis Shoes	Tan	TBD
Jazz II - "Santa Tell Me"	Ponytail	Tan Jazz Shoes	Tan	
Jazz I - "Shake the Snow Globe"	Ponytail	Tan Jazz Shoes	Tan	
Hiphop III - "Here Comes Santa Claus"	Ponytail	Black Tennis Shoes	NONE	
Intro Lyrical - "Where are You Christmas?"	Ponytail	Bare Feet	NONE	
Ballet II - "Harry Potter Waltz"	Ponytail	Pink Ballet Slippers	Pink	
Ballet I - "Elf!"	Ponytail	Pink Ballet Slippers	Pink	
Jazz Funk II - "Last Christmas"	Ponytail	Black Tennis Shoes	NONE	
Hiphop I - "Mr. Grinch"	Ponytail	Black Tennis Shoes	NONE	

Drill Team Poms - "Oh Santa"	Ponytail	Tan Jazz Shoes	Tan	
Intro Ballet - "Oh What a Merry Christmas"	Ponytail	Pink Ballet Slippers	Pink	
Intro Hiphop - "You're a Mean One"	Ponytail	Black Tennis Shoes	NONE	
Contemporary I & 2 - "Hallelujah"	Ponytail	Bare Feet	NONE	
Intro Jazz - "Candy Cane Lane"	Ponytail	Tan Jazz Shoes	Tan	
Jazz Funk I - "I Believe in Santa"	Ponytail	White Tennis Shoes	NONE	
Act I Closer	Ponytail	Jazz Shoes		TBD
Mini Movers ALL - "Once Upon a December"	Ponytail	Pink Ballet Slippers	Pink	

For a complete guide to each dance, please visit the holiday page at www.pdtdancearts.com/holiday2026

Questions?

If you have any questions while you are filling out your form, please do not hesitate to reach out to us at **info@pdtdancearts.com.** We are always happy to assist you in getting your dancer set up for their performance.

Priceless Experience!

There is something truly incredible about watching a child step onto a stage and share their hard work with an audience. Performing gives children the opportunity to challenge themselves, overcome nerves, and experience the incredible feeling of accomplishment that comes from stepping outside their comfort zone. Each performance helps them build confidence, learn to trust themselves, and realize that they are capable of more than they may have imagined. The stage becomes a place where they can grow, shine, and carry that newfound confidence with them long after the curtain closes.

🌟 **Thank you for giving your child this priceless experience! They are sure to make you proud!** 🌟