

Ballet Petit's Parent Collective Effort Program (BPPCEP) Overview Nutcracker 2023

Dear BP Parents, We / our dancers need you! We deeply appreciate your support of your child's performance experience. Many earlier collaborations have brought us to where we are today. Your effort will collectively make many important things happen this season. People will come to the theatre to see your dancer perform in our wonderful production. Dancers and audience members will enjoy beautiful and lavish costumes, sets, and a full stage production, a value far greater than the ticket prices. Together, you will help us together bring the wonders of classical ballet to more members of the community. Here is some information about how we will continue building on the legacy 45 year legacy, of what has come before us, and how we will move forward. Thank you for joining our efforts!!

It is hoped that each family of Ballet Petit dancers performing in our show becomes involved in the behind the scenes aspects of our production. We understand that everyone's time, talent, needs, and circumstances are unique and different. For this reason, we offer options.

You may join our collaboration, or OPT OUT of participation for the price of the \$200 deposit / fee.

A BP Parent Collective Effort Program (BPPCEP) Deposit of \$200, *in the form of a check written to Ballet Petit*, is required at registration to participate in each BP Nutcracker Production. This is to guarantee a *minimum of 10 hours per family* be dedicated to supporting Ballet Petit's various Collective Effort needs. Those who choose to waive their support by Opting Out may do so and will have their \$200 BPPCEP deposit check processed soon after registration.

A special email list for the parents of Nutcracker performers will be created during Nutcracker Registration month (September). Miss Peggy will send out emails as needs arise. You may also email her to suggest or offer suggestions of activities. **Sign Up Genius**, an app, will be used for **some** activities. Other activities are on-going. Postings and / or emails for these a will appear in real time. Please remember that it is your responsibility to stay informed and to choose how to fulfill your hours. Don't wait until the last minute, as options may become limited for your needs.

Here are some General Ways to support the BPPCEP. Note that some hours (about 6) are to be done in the studio, in the time before performance weekend, not just on 11/30-12/2.

Pre-Production: About **6 hours minimum are required for Studio/before performance weekend.** Here are some ideas for you to consider as you plan ahead. Keep an eye out for requests, emails, notices, etc of projects to do.

Marketing:

- Leafletting 2-3 School Sites
- Leafletting Local Businesses
- Performance Program Publishing
- Community Outreach
- Photocopying for Ballet Petit
- Media Outreach
- Organize Community Group Field Trips

Varied Costume and Prop Assistance:

- Cutting Fabric
- Sewing Trim
- Assisting with Costume Fittings and Alterations
- Headpiece Creation
- Lead Costumers Assistance
- Costume Cleaning
- Organization Tasks
- Prop Creation
- Prop Refurbishment/ Painting
- Packing and Unpacking

Moving Crew:

- Loading / Unloading to and from Chabot

Production Weekend (11/20-12/2): About 4 hours minimum are required over Theatre/performance weekends.

Here are some ideas for you to consider as you plan ahead. Backstage Performance Help One show only) usually takes 3-4 hours. Sign Ups for these tasks will not appear until close to the show weekend

Backstage Supervision and Assistance:

- Backstage Performance Supervision for ONE show
- Backstage Performance Security
- Volunteer Coordination
- Quick Change Crew
- Packing and Unpacking

Audience Assistance:

- Performance Ushering for ONE show
- Refreshment Help / Clean Up
- Cookies and Cases of Water Donation
- Boutique Sales

The BPPCEP Log Book for your Family's Log Sheet will be made available on the little table near the Big X near the purple couches. In the weeks immediately after the performances, you are required to submit your Hours Log Sheet to the binder. Once your BPPCEP Hours have been validated by BP admin, your deposit check will be shredded. This will happen asap, usually by the end of the session or the beginning of the next session. Your deposit will be processed if your hours are incomplete or not submitted. We do not issue partial BPPCEP refunds for partial hours.

OR...If you choose to Opt Out, just let us know and your deposit / fee will be processed now. THANK YOU!!!!