



NUTCRACKER 2025

Cast Tech Schedule

NEIU

Salme Harju Steinberg Fine Arts Center and Recital Hall
NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
3701 W. Bryn Mawr Chicago, IL 60625

Hello Nutcracker Cast,

Here is the tech and dress rehearsal schedule for our performances at NEIU Salme Harju Fine Arts Center. These are long, mandatory days. If you have a conflict, notify us immediately. Please email the Nutcracker Directors with any questions.

NutcrackerDirectors@ruthpage.org

⇒ Performance Dates

Saturday, December 13

Performance #1 - 1:00 pm

Performance #2 - 5:00 PM

Sunday, December 14

Performance #3 - 1:00 pm

⇒ Early Dismissal

○ [Click Here: Performance Portal](#)

○ Some Children's Cast members will need to leave school early for tech/dress rehearsals. An early dismissal letter is available on the portal. Submit a letter to your school and/or teachers for the Dress Rehearsal on **Friday, December 12, 2025**

⇒ Catering/Meals

○ [Click Here: Nutcracker Meals](#)

○ Ruth Page Center will offer lunch for purchase on Saturday only. Please buy in advance if you want lunch. Orders due by **Friday, December 5, 2025**. Please report to the Cafeteria/Dining Hall to receive your meals. If you/your child is only in Act I, you may get your food after the first Act.

○ Light snacks will be available for all Cast on dress rehearsal and performance days, but please bring your own healthy, mess-free snacks and a water bottle.

⇒ Downtime

○ Please bring something to occupy your time – a book, a blanket, travel games, etc. We prefer that screen time be limited in the dressing rooms in between shows.

⇒ Logistics

○ Parking is in NEIU. Parking is **FREE!** Please allow yourself time to walk from the parking lot, as construction is underway at the closest entrance. Further instructions for getting to the children's cast classrooms and dressing rooms downstairs, closer to the show, will be included.

Location Key

RPC	Ruth Page Center	1016 N. Dearborn St. Chicago, IL 60610
NEIU	Northeastern Illinois University	3701 Bryn Mawr Chicago, IL 60625



Thursday, December 11

TIME	TO DO	LOCATION
5:30pm	ADULT CAST CALL Snow Principals, Snowflakes, Flowers (Waltz), Russian (Trepak), Spanish (Hot Chocolate), Marzipan	NEIU
6:00 - 8:30pm	Spacing: Snow Principals, Snowflakes, Flowers (Waltz), Russian (Trepak), Spanish (Hot Chocolate), Marzipan	Stage
8:45pm	Out of Building	

Friday, December 12

TIME	TO DO	LOCATION
12:00pm	ADULT CAST CALL Land of Snow, Kingdom of Sweets Sugar Plum Principals, Nutcracker Prince & Clara (2), Chinese (Tea), Candy Canes, Angels, Snow Principals, Snowflakes, Marzipan, Flowers (Waltz), Russian (Trepak), Spanish (Hot Chocolate), Arabian Lead	NEIU
12:30 – 1:30pm	Warm Up Class: Adult Dancer Cast	Studio FA 141
1:45 – 2:30pm	Spacing: Act 2 Opening, Finale & Apotheosis w/ Angels	On Stage
2:30– 3:15pm	Spacing: Candy Canes, Chinese (Tea)	On Stage
3:15pm	ACTOR & CHILDREN’S CAST CALL – Party and Battle Scene Party All, Battle All, Arabian (Coffee), Mother Ginger, Bon Bons	NEIU
3:30 – 4:00pm	Spacing: Arabian (Coffee),	On Stage
4:00 – 4:15pm	Spacing: Mother Ginger & Bonbons	On Stage
4:15 – 4:45pm	Spacing: Battle ALL w/ Soldiers	On Stage
4:45 – 5:30pm	Spacing: Party ALL	On Stage
5:30 – 6:15pm	Onstage: Tech Pre-Set, Mic Check Actors	On Stage
6:15 – 8:30pm	DRESS REHEARSAL Soldiers, Party Children may leave if not in Act II	On Stage
8:45pm	CAST END OF DAY	



Saturday, December 13

TIME	TO DO	LOCATION
10:30am	ADULT CAST AND ACTORS Party Parents, Grandfather/Grandmother, Drosselmeyer, Mouse King, Mice, Maids Land of Snow, Kingdom of Sweets Sugar Plum Principals, Nutcracker Prince & Clara (2), Chinese (Tea), Candy Canes, Angels, Snow Principals, Snow, Marzipan, Flowers (Waltz), Russian (Trepak), Spanish (Hot Chocolate), Arabian Lead	NEIU
11:00am - 12:00pm	ACTOR - Sound Check	On Stage
11:00am - 12:00pm	Warm Up Class	Studio FA 141
11:30am	CHILDREN'S CAST CALL Party Kids, Soldiers, Arabian Corps, Mother Ginger, Bonbons, Angels	NEIU
12:00 - 12:30pm	Notes Performers into microphones Stage: Tech Preset	Studio FA 141
12:00 - 12:30pm	Sound Check: Clara, Fritzella, Nephew	On Stage
1:00 - 3:00pm	Performance #1	
3:00 - 4:00pm	Cast & Crew Meal Break	Dining Hall
4:00 - 4:15pm	Performers into microphones	On Stage
4:15 - 4:30pm	Cast called to dressing rooms / Costume call On Stage: Sound Check & Tech Preset	On Stage
5:00 - 7:00pm	Performance #2	On Stage
7:15pm	All out	



Sunday, December 14

TIME	TO DO	LOCATION
10:30a	ADULT CAST AND ACTORS CALL Party Parents, Grandfather/Grandmother, Drosselmeyer, Mouse King, Mice, Maids Land of Snow, Kingdom of Sweets Sugar Plum Principals, Nutcracker Prince & Clara (2), Chinese (Tea), Candy Canes, Snow Principals, Snow, Marzipan, Flowers (Waltz), Russian (Trepak), Spanish (Hot Chocolate), Arabian Lead	NEIU
11:00am - 12:00pm	ACTOR - Sound Check	On Stage
11:00am - 12:00pm	Warm Up Class - Land of Snow, Kingdom of Sweets, Sugar Plum Principals, Nutcracker Prince & Clara (2), Chinese (Tea), Candy Canes, Angels, Snow Principals, Snow, Marzipan, Flowers (Waltz), Russian (Trepak), Spanish (Hot Chocolate)	Studio FA 141
11:30am	CHILDREN'S CAST CALL Party Kids, Soldiers, Arabian Corps, Mother Ginger, Bon Bons, Angels	NEIU
12:00 - 12:30pm	Warm Up Class Notes Performers into microphones Stage: Tech Preset	Studio FA 141
12:00 - 12:30pm	Sound Check: Clara, Fritzella, Nephew	On Stage
1:00 – 3:00pm	Performance #3	
3:00 – 5:00pm	LOAD OUT	

CONGRATULATIONS, CAST!

REST! LET’S DO IT AGAIN NEXT WEEK!

RUTH PAGE PRODUCTION TEAM