

## Expectations for Performers & Their Families 2024

To put on any production, especially after taking two years off for a pandemic, takes heart, determination, practice, skill, and...money. Durham Ballet Theatre does not charge a participation fee to our performers, instead we ask you to support the show in the following ways:

**- Cast Meeting: Sunday, January 14, 2024 from 2:30p-4:30p**

**- Rehearsals begin January 20, 2024 !! DO NOT MISS REHEARSAL !!**

We understand emergencies happen but all performers are expected to attend all rehearsals. Spring break is March 25 - 31, 2024. There will be no rehearsals this week.

**- Costume Rental Fee: Due January 30, 2023**

Costume Rental between \$85 - \$400 depending upon casting and number of scenes.

examples of cost: cast as Flower Fairy \$85, cast as Fairy \$110, cast in 2 roles with wig \$200

Your Costume Rental fee not only covers use of the required costume(s)\* but also provides the following benefits:

18-36+ hours of experience executing choreography

Exposure to and ability to participate on crews for costume designs, set design, and construction

Experience with sales and working with the public

Each cast member receives 1 ticket for each performance on Saturday in general seating.

Use of studio space (based on availability) to run through choreography

If the costume or any part of the costume is lost, stolen or damaged by the performer or anyone else, **you must pay the full replacement value is more than the rental fee of the costume to Durham Ballet Theatre at the rates stated below.**

Replacement Value: \$150 - \$1000 dependent upon costume.

**-Volunteer**

Without the hard work of all of our parents, we could not have staged shows since 2008! There are many, many tasks that need to be completed and these are not dependent upon skill level. Many parents have been surprised by a hidden talent with a hot glue gun or hand-stitching!

All parents/adult cast are expected to contribute to the production of the show by volunteering for various tasks as listed above.

### **Long-term Positions**

Working Board Member

Social Media/Promotion

Grant Writer

### **Short-term Positions**

Volunteer Coordinator

Sewist(s)

Crafters

Set Design/Props

**- Sell Advertisement**

Don't panic, this is easier than you think. We have a list of prior supporters who are just waiting for you to contact them to be in the playbill. This is their way of supporting you. Cost range from \$75 and up

Sell at least one (1) advertisement in our playbill per family

Deadline for ads and payment is Sunday, April 7, 2024

**- Ticket Sales**

Sell at least Ten (10) tickets to the May performances per family

General Seating: Tickets between \$15 - \$25 each

Advance Sales Discount: 15% on General Seating

Reserved Seating: \$35-\$55

-If you would prefer to make one payment, a minimum donation of \$500 will cover all obligations

- Worried about selling 10 performance tickets, you can sell 4 ads instead

- By selling additional performance tickets and/or ads you can cover the cost of costume rental

Let us know what works for your family.

#### Contact information for questions or concerns

Boleyn Willis, Artistic Director

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#### Rehearsals

All members must commit to attend every rehearsal of the piece for which they are cast.

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#### Examples of questions we have been asked

Homework

Dog missing

Sprained Ankle

Birthday Party

Close Family Member died

Vacation

Audition

At Emergency Room

SAT or similar

#### Answers

Don't miss rehearsal

Don't miss rehearsal

Don't miss rehearsal

Don't miss rehearsal

Notify us via email and bring a copy of service

Don't miss rehearsal

Notify us in advance and send email

Notify us via email and bring a doctors note

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If you are unable to commit to the rehearsal schedule please reconsider if this is a good time for you to be in a performance.

***Telling someone in the hallway is not adequate notification. Please inform Durham Ballet Theatre by email as soon as you know you will miss rehearsal.***

Each performer is responsible for learning and executing choreography at the standards upheld by DBT. Please be aware that if you are having difficulty learning or executing choreography, you WILL be asked to participate in classes that are in addition to regular rehearsal times.

***Rehearsals for this show must be your priority if you wish to participate!***

**Please consider whether or not you can make this commitment.**