

PTB Nutcracker 2011 Role and Age Requirements
We may double cast some of the roles (perform in ½ of the shows)

<p align="center">Role</p> <p>Roles may change, be added or eliminated, depending on available dancers.</p>	<p align="center">Approximate Age</p> <p align="center">Approximate age is a guideline. You may audition for any role you meet the experience and any height requirements for.</p>	<p align="center">Dance Requirements</p>
Bon Bons	5-7	1 year ballet technique (14 females). Steps, skipping, chassé, cartwheels, clown rolls, cuts, tendu
Mice	5-8	Little experience (28 females). Steps, skipping, chassé, cartwheels, clown rolls, cuts, tendu
Marionette	5-9	2 years ballet, solo, female, max height 48 inches
Toy Soldier	7-11	Strong dancer, solo (female or male)
Party Children	6-12	Dance experience, (6 girls and 6 boys). Chassé, polonaise step, bouree turns, polka step, grand right and left, personality, acting.
Fritz	6-11	stage experience, dance a plus
Soldiers	7-12	Dance experience a plus (28 males or females). Marching, chassé, gallop, chainé turns, pivot turns, escape, sauté.
Chinese Dragon	7-12	Stage experience (8 females or males). This role may or may not be included in the production.
Angels	7-9	Some dance experience, height 47-53 inches (8 females). Shuffle, balancé, chainé turns, great smile, able to hold arms in second for 3 minutes.
Reed Flutes	12 and up	Strong ballet technique (4 females)
Candy Canes	8-16	Gymnasts (6 males or females) and ballet dancers (6 females). Chassé, cuts, toe touches, chainé and pique turns, balancé, work with prop. Gymnasts need ability to tumble on a stage floor.
Clara & Clara's Friends	8-12	4 years ballet, strong technique, personality, acting, max height 62" (2 females for friends)
French Doll	12-18	Strong pointe, duet (female)

Harlequin Doll	12-18	Strong technique, duet
Columbine Doll	7 and up	Solo. Advanced tumbling skills required (aerial, backflip, etc. on a stage floor)
Maid	teen-adult	stage experience a plus (female)
Nutcracker	teen-adult	dance and stage experience (male). Jumps, sword fighting, chassé, lunges, tour jeté, prat falls, acting, ability to lift Clara.
Mouse King	teen-adult	dance and stage experience (male or female). Jumps, tour jeté, sword fighting, prat falls.
Snow Crystals	teen-adult	Strong pointe (2-4 females)
Snow Flakes	10-adult	4 years ballet, strong technique (6 females)
Spanish	9-12	4 years ballet, strong technique (6 females)
Arabian	teen-adult	strong dancers, very flexible (1 female, up to 3 males)
Chinese	teen-adult	strong ballet technique (12 females or males)
Dewdrop	teen-adult	strong pointe work (solo)
Lead Flowers & Partners	teen-adult	strong pointe work (2 females) Partnering (2 males)
Waltz of the Flowers	11-Adult	Strong ballet (14 females)
Sugar Plum Fairy	14-adult	strong pointe work
Mother Ginger	Teen-adult	stage experience, dance a plus
Clara's Parents	Adult	stage experience (male and female)
Parents	Teen-adult	stage experience a plus (4 males and 4 females)