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Springfield Ballet, the city's premiere professional ballet company, announces open auditions for the upcoming 2022 production of *The Nutcracker* this December at the UIS Performing Arts Center.

Auditions will be held at the Springfield Ballet building at 401 East Washington Street, Springfield, IL 62701.

Date: September 11, 2022

Location: Springfield Ballet, 401 East Washington Street, Third Floor, Springfield, IL 62701

Times:

Ages 4 – 6 12:00 to 1:00 pm

Ages 7 – 9 1:30 – 2:30 pm

Ages 10 – 13 3:00 – 4:00 pm

14 & up 4:30 – 5:30 pm

\*Audition Fee: \$20 – No dance experience required

\*Please dress in dance attire

*The Nutcracker* is the perfect opportunity for young dancers to perform in this timeless classical ballet alongside the professional dancers of Springfield Ballet, on the beautiful stage at the UIS Performing Arts Center.

Conceived and choreographed by Artistic Director Adam Sage, Springfield Ballet's *The Nutcracker* has been praised for refreshing this holiday favorite with innovative choreography, clever storytelling, lush sets, and beautiful costumes.

Join Clara on her magical journey from the battle between toy soldiers and overgrown mice, the fight between Nutcracker Prince and the Mouse King, a Christmas tree that grows to huge heights, through the shimmering snow and the land of the Sugar Plum Fairy.

Springfield Ballet is celebrating its 47th year of presenting the full-length *The Nutcracker* which has become a beloved Springfield tradition.

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