

WBC Nutcracker Volunteer Assignments

Fundraising

Research state and local government funding, corporate sponsors, and apply for grants to support the WBC's Nutcracker; develop and implement creative fundraising events. Experience in fundraising/development would be great, but anyone who is willing to devote the time would be welcome. This is our most critical initiative to ensure future performances. This assignment also provides **flexible hours** for busy parents, as a large part of this work can be done online.

Program Ad Sales

Visit local businesses to ask them to advertise in our Nutcracker Program. Also provides **flexibility** in terms of time.

Publicity

Assist with getting the word out on Nutcracker to ensure we have a full house for our performances— flyers, emails, advertisements in local papers, local broadcast news, etc. **Flexible** hours.

WBC Spirit Wear

Assist the Chair in the selection and ordering of WBC Logo hoodies, tee shirts, etc. Once the apparel arrives, help the Chair with sorting/packaging, and distribution to dancers.

Graphic Design

Assist in the production of our Nutcracker Program. Prior experience with InDesign software, Adobe Illustrator, or similar graphic design software, is required.

Costume Help

Assist our wardrobe team with any of the following:

- Fittings, typically occurring on **Saturdays**
- Light sewing/repairing of costumes, also typically on **Saturdays** (if you can sew a pointe shoe, you can help!); more experienced sewers always needed.
- Packing of costumes in advance of transport to the County Center – typically **the Saturday before Nutcracker** weekend.
- Unpacking of costumes at the County Center – the **Monday before Nutcracker**
- Packing up costumes after the final, **Sunday Nutcracker Performance**

Boutique Sales

Sell during the performances **Friday, Saturday, and Sunday**. Note: you will be **unable to watch the performance** at your chosen time.

Flower Sales/Bouquet Assembly

Sell during the performances **Saturday and Sunday**. Note: you will be **unable to watch the performance** at your chosen time. We do **not** sell flowers at the Friday, 12/14 school/senior performance.

Flower volunteers are also needed to assist the Chair with flower pick up the **Friday of Nutcracker weekend; and Friday afternoon or evening before Nutcracker weekend** removing thorns from the roses and bundling for sale.

Raffle Sales

Sell raffle tickets in an area of the audience before a performance, and during intermission **Saturday or Sunday**. You are able to watch the entire show, and don't need a ticket. We do **not** sell raffle tickets at the Friday, 12/14 school/senior performance.

Nutcracker Program Distribution

Hand out programs before shows Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. You are free to watch the show afterwards.

Load In/Sets/Props

Assist our production manager, Marianne LeBlanc, with loading sets, props, and costumes from our storage facility in Ossining or at Logrea, which are transported to the County Center, and after the show, back to storage. Can be a parent, son, neighbor, etc., who is willing help. It doesn't matter who assists, it counts towards YOUR volunteer commitment.

Drivers/Runners

During production week, as well as the entire **performance weekend**, we need drivers to pick up guest dancers at the train and bring them to the County Center (rehearsals as well as performances) or serve as runners, for any production needs/errands, including picking up meals for the union crew. **Some flexibility** with regard to time, as you don't have to commit to be on call the entire week, but you will need commit to a specific performance or rehearsal.

Please email **Stacy Bilgoray**, WBC Volunteer Coordinator: **sbilgoray@gmail.com** with any questions or concerns.