

# ENGLISH YOUTH BALLET

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## NUTCRACKER HIGH WYCOMBE ONLINE AUDITION CLOSING DATE 29<sup>th</sup> JULY 2022

Dear Parents, Students

05/05/2022

Due to the present situation in the country that the Corona virus pandemic has caused, English Youth Ballet has been obliged to consider the options of a new way of working until such time as we can be allowed to audition in theatres again.

With the numbers of up to 200 children who attend our auditions we cannot carry this out adequately with social distancing in place and therefore we are not allowed to hold our auditions on stage in the theatres. As an alternative we are asking children to audition by an online video-film.

We ask you to complete and submit the Registration form with your child's contact details. Once you have completed this and returned the online Registration form and paid the £15 audition fee by Bank Transfer (see Bank details below) we will send you a receipt letter with the link that will demonstrate the 5 audition sequences that we ask your child to learn.

On the link you will see Julianne Rice-Oxley, our Ballet Mistress has demonstrated either the five sequences of steps for the Junior audition ages 8-11 years or five more advanced steps for the senior audition ages 12-18 years.

Once learnt and practised please return your online video film on-line via computer to [misslewis@englishyouthballet.co.uk](mailto:misslewis@englishyouthballet.co.uk) at any time up until the closing date of **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

You will hear the result of your audition by email within seven days of the closing date.

English Youth Ballet has been successfully teaching and nurturing children in their love of classical ballet for the past 21 years and it is important that we continue to do this in whatever way we can. We are determined to sustain EYB's activities through to the finale of the pandemic

Yours sincerely,

Miss Lewis

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The English Youth Ballet is now well-established for its successful productions of classical ballet in the regional theatres of the UK. EYB chooses 80- 90 young dancers at the audition from within an area 80-100 mile radius of the theatre , therefore giving young ballet dancers the opportunity to experience the creative process from rehearsal to performance in our spectacular production of The Nutcracker for 3 performances in 2022 at the Swan Theatre High Wycombe 1<sup>st</sup> & 2nd November 2022.

**The audition closing date will be on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2022 when all the video films that have been submitted online. They will be assessed by Miss Lewis, Miss Julianne Rice-Oxley and Mr Dominic Marshall.**

**You may submit the audition film anytime before this date.**

**It can be sent in separate sections if easier and in various ways -We Transfer, YouTube, Dropbox**

### THE AUDITION EXPERIENCE AND REGISTRATION FEE

The new online registration fee is £15 and we will be looking for young dancers who love their dancing and who would benefit from the EYB Performance Course. When the auditions were 'live' and in the theatre I do say- a smile and presentation goes a long way. We will be offering up to 90 places and we hold a reserve list in case anyone does not take up the place that is offered.

### EYB PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

**If successful auditionees are offered a place from their audition. The fee for the Course is £495 payable to English Youth Ballet in advance in 4 instalments (initial deposit £120 + 3 instalments of £125) prior to the first rehearsal/casting day. This fee covers the production costs of costumes, headdresses, scenery, and running costs of school rehearsals hire, all artistic, administrative and technical staff fees , travel, hotels, publicity and marketing.**

This is still a very competitive fee is based on 11 rehearsal days of 6 hours in duration, 2 stage rehearsals and 3 performances (16 sessions) Three rehearsals take place simultaneously and are always preceded by a ballet technique class. There is a 20% reduction for 2nd and 3rd siblings. English Youth Ballet will award 2 Junior and 2 Senior part scholarships giving £120 off the full fee thus reducing the fee to £375 ( 4 instalments of £93.75 )

**EYB has all the Covid safety measures in place for all rehearsals in schools and backstage in the theatre.**

### REHEARSAL AND PERFORMANCE DATES 2022 (To Be Confirmed with the school we hire)

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> Oct (casting & press photos ) Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct (2 Days)**

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Oct (2 Days) Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct (2 Days)**

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> - Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Oct (5 Days half-term)**

*NB We are flexible with the various weekend Associate programmes.*

**Tuesday 1st November 5.30- 7.30 Get into costume 8-10pm Performance Swan Theatre High Wycombe**  
**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November Matinee Performance 4.00- 6.pm Eve Performance 8.00 - 10pm**

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