

Nutcracker 2008 information:

Public Performances: The Nutcracker ballet has become a heart-warming holiday classic. The ballet premiered at the Maryinsky Theatre in St. Petersburg, Russia in 1892 and is still performed today around the world. Kingsport Ballet's production stays true to its Russian origins, making it a rare treasure among today's revised versions. The Company highlights several professional guest artists, including artist in residence Rostislav Dزابраev, the talented Company dancers as well as children performers from around the area. In addition to the handmade authentic costumes, audiences will see one-of-a-kind painted scenery created especially for Kingsport Ballet by Russian backdrop painters.

Daytime performance for school groups: This ballet provides a wonderful introduction to the art form. Each child will receive comprehensive educational materials, which highlight Peter Tchaikovsky's gifted life and career, and can be connected to music and history instruction in the schools. Act II is a showcase of various international dances, demonstrating typical music and costumes from various parts of the world. This provides a unique springboard to discuss different cultures and customs. Kingsport Ballet's productions emphasize authenticity and tradition, making for very appropriate educational material for young people, in addition to wholesome entertainment.

Nutcracker ticket information:

General admission: \$20

Students/Seniors: \$16

Children 5 and under: \$10

Groups of 15 or more: \$15 each

All seats reserved

Major Credit Cards Accepted

School performance reservations:

Tickets: \$2.50 each student

Teachers/aids plus one chaperone per 20 students attend free

All other adults @ \$10 each

Ticket subsidy participants. Visit www.kingsportballet.org to download and send in reservations forms and for additional information on ticket subsidy applications.

Clara's Tea Party

Saturday, December 6th

5pm

Tickets: \$10 each -

May also be purchased through box office

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