

BRECON FESTIVAL BALLET

Registered Address: Theatr Brycheiniog, Canal Wharf, Brecon, LD3 7EW

Charity No. 1194326

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The Nutcracker: Audition Information for Adults

Five performances of The Nutcracker from Friday 18 to Sunday 20 December 2026

Brecon Festival Ballet is excited to be returning to Theatr Brycheiniog this December with five performances of Tchaikovsky's famous Christmas ballet, The Nutcracker. This ballet features professional ballet dancers and a live professional orchestra and has many roles for actors. Performances usually sell out!

The party scene in Act 1 is set in a Victorian home, where guests attend a festive party in smart Victorian suits and dresses. They get involved in all the action, including a magic show and entertainment, watching life-size dolls perform and seeing the story of the Nutcracker unfold.

The actors perform some very basic dance steps, based on popular parlour dances of the day. (If you can walk in time to the music, you'll be fine!) You'll receive expert training from our Artistic Director throughout the rehearsal period to prepare you for your performances.

Every year Brecon Festival Ballet's Nutcracker features a local cast of actors from all walks of life, some of whom have never set foot on a stage before. After our rehearsal period, you'll find yourself onstage alongside professional dancers and performing to some of the most beautiful and famous music ever written. It's always an exciting and inspiring experience; every year many great new friendships are formed and a lot of fun is had in rehearsals!

If you would like to take part in 2026, BFB is holding auditions for the adult cast on **Sunday 13 September, 4.30-6.00pm**, in the Theatr Brycheiniog studio. Come along and have a go!

For your information, the basic schedule will be this:

Rehearsals (termtime)	Every Sunday throughout autumn, starting 20 th September	14:30-16:00
Half term	October 25th : Important rehearsal with professional dancers November 1st : No rehearsal	14:30-16:00
Technical Rehearsals	Week commencing Monday 14 December	Evenings usually 17:00 – 21:00
Dress Rehearsal	Friday 18 December	14:30

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The Nutcracker 18 - 20 December 2026

AUDITION FORM (ADULT – 18 yrs+)

Auditions - Sunday 14 September, 4.30pm-6.00pm, at Theatr Brycheiniog

Full name	
Address and postcode	
Mobile number	
email	
Date of Birth	
Height	
Do you have any medical conditions or disabilities that we need to be aware of for the audition? If yes, please give details:	
Please give any other information you feel would be useful	

Dance Training	Please give details (e.g. grade achieved)
Some training	
Basic	
None	

Do you hold a current DBS check?	YES / NO
If not, BFB will apply for one if you are successful in your audition. <i>There is no charge for this.</i>	

I understand that this is a professional production and that, if accepted:

Please return the completed form to Brecon Festival Ballet c/o 74 Beacons Park, Brecon, Powys, LD3 9BQ or email to lesley@breconfestivalballet.com

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- I am expected to attend as many Sunday afternoon rehearsals as possible, with the exception of 1st November (half term)
- I will need to be available late afternoon/early evenings of the week commencing 14 December 2026, which will include all technical and dress rehearsals and the performances.
- A donation of **£60.00** will be due for every participant, made payable to Brecon Festival Ballet, a Registered Charity that relies heavily on grants and fundraising in addition to its ticket sales to meet its annual production costs, such as theatre hire, set design, costumes and our biggest cost: paying our professional dancers and musicians. We can claim Gift Aid on these donations, making your contribution go even further. Please let us know if you would like to pay in instalments

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