



Show Expectations

Performing Cinderella May 16-May 17, 2025

To put on any production takes heart, determination, practice, skill, and...money. While Durham Ballet Theatre does not charge a participation fee, there are fees associated with performing - mostly in the form of costume rentals. Other costs are associated with ticket and ad sales for the program, all of which are explained in detail in this document.

Mandatory Meeting - NEW to Durham Ballet Theatre (DBT)

Parents of families new to DBT will meet **Saturday January 11 at 2:00p or Sunday January 12 at 2:00p** while your child is auditioning

Adults auditioning who are new to DBT should attend the meeting which does not coincide with your audition (meeting will last at least 1 hour)

Cast members are expected to attend every rehearsal for the piece in which they are cast!

Rehearsals begin Saturday, January 25, 2025 and happen every week.

Saturday Block is 2p - 7p Sunday Block is 1p-7p

Rehearsal schedules depend on the role cast, if cast in more than 1 role, double rehearsal time.

The closer we get to production the more time we will spend in full scene rehearsals)

Important Dates:

**Rehearsals Begin:
January 25 - May 11
Tech week: May 13 - 17
Cast at the Carolina Theatre:
May 15, 16 & 17, 2025**

Rehearsal Breaks

**Sun. March 30 - Sat. April 5
and
Sat. April 19 - Sun. April 20**

Costs:

Costume Rental Fee: Due February 3, 2025

Costume Rental between \$120 and up depending upon casting and number of scenes.

Your Costume Rental fee not only covers use of the required costume(s)* but also provides the following benefits:

- 18-36+ hours of experience executing choreography
- Use of studio space (based on availability) to run through choreography
- Exposure to and ability to participate on crews for costume designs, set design, and construction
- Experience with sales and working with the public
- Each cast member receives 1 ticket for each performance on Saturday in general seating.

If the costume or any part of the costume is lost, stolen or damaged by the performer or anyone else, **you must pay the full replacement value which is more than the rental fee of the costume to Durham Ballet Theatre at the rates stated below.**

Replacement Value: \$175 - \$1000 dependent upon costume.

Volunteer:

All parents/adult cast are expected to contribute to the production of the show by volunteering for various tasks including costume bedazzling, set refresh, props, food during show week, creating items for boutique, etc. Caregivers of young children are expected to cover at least one performance in the dressing room.

Sell Advertisements

Don't panic, this is easier than you think.

We have a list of prior supporters who are just waiting for you to contact them to be in the playbill. This is their way of supporting you. Costs range from \$110 - \$375

Sell at least one (1) advertisement in our playbill per family. **Deadline for ads and payment March 30, 2025**

Ticket Sales

Sell & collect payment for at least Ten (10) tickets to the May performances per family

Ticket sales due April 21, 2025

General Seating: Tickets between \$30 - \$60 each. Tickets can be purchased directly from Carolina theatre.

Other Costs:

- If you would prefer to make one payment, a minimum donation of \$550 will cover all obligations except Costume Fees.
- You may sell 4 ads instead of 10 performance tickets
- Additional sales of ads or tickets may be applied as reduction of the costume fee
- Let us know what works for your family

Rehearsals:

- All those cast must commit to attend every rehearsal of the piece for which they are cast.
- Rehearsals begin January 25, 2025! DO NOT MISS REHEARSAL!
- We understand emergencies happen but all performers are expected to attend all rehearsals.
- **Schedule EXAMPLE:** Rehearsals for 1 role typically begin with 1 hour/week either Saturday or Sunday, the cast is then incorporated into the scenes their character is in and the rehearsal time will increase. By mid-April the cast can expect to be in rehearsal Sat & Sun, by May we will be full cast on both Saturday and Sunday.
- **During Performance week, May 13- 17, 2025** the cast will rehearse Tuesday - Thursday, Performing on Friday & Saturday.
- **If you are unable to commit** to the rehearsal schedule please reconsider if this is a good time for you to be in a performance.
- **Please inform Durham Ballet Theatre by email as soon as you know you will miss rehearsal. Telling someone in the hallway is not adequate notification.**
Rehearsal@DurhamBalletTheatre.org

Each performer is responsible for learning and executing choreography at the level expected by DBT. Please be aware that if you are having difficulty learning and/or executing choreography, you WILL be asked to participate in coaching sessions in addition to any regularly scheduled classes in which you are enrolled, and regularly scheduled rehearsals. Coaching sessions are \$50-\$100/hour. **Performers who cannot learn and/or properly execute choreography may be reassigned to a different role.**

**Rehearsals for this show must be your priority if you wish to participate!
Please consider whether or not you can make this commitment.**