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[Congratulations on The Nutcracker](#)



Well that was amazing!
Congratulations to all our dancers, volunteers, faculty and staff on EBT's fabulous Nutcracker shows, including several sold-out performances. Our debut Petite Nutcracker Suite mini-performance on Sunday morning was also a major hit.

Special thanks goes to guest artist **Nukri Mamistvalov**, conductor **David Waltman**, and photographer **Wade Heninger** (who took almost 30,000

pictures over the course of two weekends ... view sneak peeks on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)). Nutcracker DVDs can be pre-ordered [here](#).

SUBMIT YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS

Did you know that many companies like Microsoft and Boeing not only match employee donations to non-profits, but will gift-match for hours spent volunteering? **Please be sure to submit your Nutcracker volunteer hours for EBT.** Contact your HR Department or info@emeraldballet.org if you need assistance.

Annual Fund Appreciation

We are immensely grateful to all our donors who helped make EBT's Annual Fund a success.

Together we have raised nearly \$13,000 to support our performance season. It was especially exciting to have so many new donors this year. Thank you!

Congratulations to **Xiaohong Zhang** who won our November drawing for a free 30-minute private lesson with Ms. Tatiana. We hope her dancer will enjoy this special time with our teacher!

There's still time to get in your end-of-the-year giving before 2016 runs out. **Click [here](#) to donate to non-profit EBT.**



YAGP Dress Rehearsals



YAGP dancers, we have two upcoming dress rehearsals:

- **Thursday, Dec. 15, 6:00-8:00 p.m.**
- **Thursday, Jan. 5, 6:00-8:00 p.m.**

The Seattle YAGP semi-final competition is Jan. 6-8 at Meydenbauer Center in Bellevue.

Check the Lost & Found

Before you head out for Winter Break, please check the Lost & Found. It's overflowing again, and all items will be donated or repurposed at the start of 2017.



Ballet over Winter Break



The studio is closed from Dec. 19-Jan. 1. Regular classes resume on Monday, Jan. 2.

For those who don't want to take a break, we are offering a handful of open ballet classes over Winter Break geared for ages 12 & up:

Dec. 20-22 & 27-29 from 10:30 a.m.-noon

The cost is \$15 per class. No pre-registration is required. Please arrive 10 minutes before class to register and pay. Non-EBA students welcome.

Note: Because these classes are not part of our regular session, they cannot be used as make-up classes.

Don't forget to shop AmazonSmile

How many of you are shopping at Amazon this holiday season?

If so, we encourage you to designate Emerald Ballet Theatre as your charity on

smile.amazon.com. It's so easy,

and then every time you buy eligible purchases from Amazon, EBT will

receive 0.5% of your price.



DESIGNATE EBT [HERE](#).

TIP: Bookmark and shop from smile.amazon.com so you always know you are benefiting EBT. Thank you!

Kudos and Accomplishments



Thank you to **Rob and Terrel Lefferts** for donating the cheese pizza at our Nutcracker cast get-together on Saturday.

Is there an EBT superstar you would like to thank or celebrate? Email leah@emeraldballet.org so we can include more kudos and accomplishments in our next

newsletter.

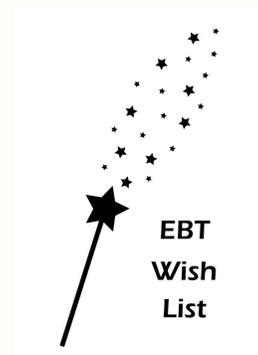
EBT Wish List

We need:

■ **Grocery store gift cards** to purchase healthy foods/drinks for snack sales.

Please email info@emeraldballet.org if you can help.

Donations to non-profit EBT are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law.



Calendar



- **December 15:** YAGP dress rehearsal at studio
- **December 17:** Last day of 2016 classes
- **December 20-22, 27-29:** Drop-in classes over winter break
- **January 2:** Classes resume
- **January 5:** YAGP dress rehearsal at studio
- **January 6-8:** YAGP Seattle Semi-final Competition at Meydenbauer Center in Bellevue
- **January 19:** Parent Guild meeting
- **January 28:** Last day of fall semester
- **January 30:** Spring semester begins

View our full calendar [here](#).

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