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### ***The Hanover Theatre to hold auditions for iconic holiday shows The Nutcracker and A Christmas Carol***



**Worcester, Mass. (August 29, 2023)** The Hanover Theatre is looking for stars to grace the stage this holiday season! On Sunday, September 10, 2023, [The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts](#) is holding auditions for the 16<sup>th</sup> annual production of [A Christmas Carol](#) and the stunning ballet [The Nutcracker](#).

[Auditions for youth roles in A Christmas Carol](#), generously sponsored by [Assumption University](#), will be held on September 10 from 12:30-5:30 PM. Auditions will take place by appointment at The Hanover Theatre Conservatory and Event Center located at 551 Main Street in Worcester. Children ages 5 and up are welcome to sign up. Youth performers with South Asian heritage are encouraged to audition for the Cratchit Family. All auditioners should prepare a set of [provided sides](#) and a brief song, such as one verse of Deck the Halls. Auditioners may choose to complete a self-tape, which must be submitted by September 10 at 2 PM. Some roles may be invited to callbacks on Monday, September 11 (in-person or virtual).

For audition and show information, visit [TheHanoverTheatre.org](http://TheHanoverTheatre.org). Please direct additional questions about [A Christmas Carol auditions](#) to [auditions@thehanovertheatre.org](mailto:auditions@thehanovertheatre.org).

[Auditions for The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory's production of \*The Nutcracker\*](#), generously sponsored by [Berkshire Bank](#), will also be held on Sunday, September 10 on The Hanover Theatre's mainstage located at 2 Southbridge Street in Worcester.

Auditions will be split by age group:

9 AM – 11 AM: Ages 13+

11:30 AM – 1 PM: Ages 10-12

1:15 PM – 3 PM: Ages 7-9

Dancers auditioning must be [registered online](#) for auditions, available to attend all of production week (November 18-26) and at least 7 years of age. Auditions will follow the structure of a technical ballet class. Dancers will be assessed by technique, skill level and ability. Dancers with two or more years of training should bring their pointe shoes. Callback sessions will be held later in the afternoon on September 10, so please prepare accordingly.

Audition materials and detailed information can be found online at [TheHanoverTheatre.org/conservatory](http://TheHanoverTheatre.org/conservatory). Please direct any questions about [Nutcracker auditions](#) to [education@thehanovertheatre.org](mailto:education@thehanovertheatre.org).

### **About The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts**

Since opening in 2008, The Hanover Theatre has entertained more than two million guests with Broadway musicals, comedy headliners, music, dance and more. POLLSTAR consistently ranks The Hanover Theatre as one of the top theatres in the world. The award-winning historic theatre continues to establish its place as a world-class center for the performing arts, a venue for local cultural and civic organizations and a catalyst for the revitalization of downtown Worcester. The Hanover Theatre's facilities at 551 Main Street house function spaces, offices and The Hanover Theatre Conservatory.

The Hanover Theatre Conservatory provides performance opportunities, classes, and individual instruction in theatre, dance and technical theatre and design to more than 500 young people and adults from across central Massachusetts each year. Established in 2016, the conservatory cultivates individual attention, ignites creativity and inspires confidence through arts education led by outstanding teaching artists. The state-of-the-art facility includes classrooms, rehearsal and teaching studios, and tech and costume labs for advanced education in stage craft and design. Students receive access to master classes with national touring artists and gain professional experience from performance opportunities with THT Rep and on The Hanover Theatre's world-class stage. THTC believes in access to arts education for all and provides financial aid for those in need. Many conservatory students have continued their pursuit of the arts at institutions such as Emerson College, Boston University, NYU, Boston Conservatory at

Berklee, Berklee College of Music, Hofstra, Hartt School at the University of Hartford, Marymount Manhattan College, Syracuse University and more.

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