

About the Mid-Columbia Ballet

The Mid-Columbia Ballet (MCB) is Southeastern Washington's premier performing dance company. Incorporated in 1973, MCB's mission is to foster and advance the art of ballet in its various forms. The Company's repertoire includes classical, neoclassical, and modern works by choreographers from throughout the U.S. In addition to its regular public performances, MCB annually reaches about 6,000 youth from our community through special performances and in-school lectures and demonstrations.

The Mid-Columbia Ballet includes a Senior, Intermediate, Junior, and Petite Company. The Senior Company usually has 15-20 accomplished and committed dancers. There are sometimes also trainees and apprentices who are important to the growth and future of the Senior Company. The Intermediate, Junior and Petite Company programs are also essential to the future success of the MCB, through the additional training these young dancers receive.

The Company receives national recognition as a member of Regional Dance America/Pacific where the MCB has held the ranking of "Honor Company" since 1992. The Company was honored in 1998 by being invited to perform at the International Ballet Competition. In past seasons, MCB has received a license from the George Balanchine Trust to perform works from America's greatest choreographer, *Valse Fantaisie* in 2001 and *Tarantella* in 2002.

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www.midcolumbiaballet.org

The MCB is incorporated in Washington state as a non-profit corporation and is exempt from federal taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Copies of the IRS determination letter are available upon request. Prospective contributors may also obtain current and past budget and financial summaries. Please contact the MCB office or a Board member to obtain additional information or to discuss a specific sponsorship option.

Mid-Columbia Ballet

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For information on placing an ad in our programs, please call the MCB office at 509-946-5417

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2006 Nutcracker

2006 Nutcracker
Sponsorship
Opportunities



This December will mark the 31st season of the Mid-Columbia Ballet's presentation of the **Nutcracker**. In that time, the **Nutcracker** has become a holiday tradition for Mid-Columbia families. Each year it is enjoyed by more than 8,000 residents, including 3,000 area school children who attend two special performances on the Monday following the public shows. The **Nutcracker** also provides a unique opportunity for area residents to perform or support a professional caliber stage production. The cast of the **Nutcracker** consists of about 150 children and 20 adults. More than 80 volunteers support the production.

The Mid-Columbia Ballet (MCB) is seeking support from our community to improve our ever-changing **Nutcracker**. The following sponsorships are available ~

- **Nutcracker Performance Sponsors**
- **Nutcracker Suite - School Performances**
- **Nutcracker Tea Party Sponsors**

Sponsorship of these events will enable the Ballet to continue its tradition of presenting high quality performances. Sponsors will receive recognition for supporting an outstanding family-oriented performing arts event.

Donations to the Mid-Columbia Ballet are tax deductible (check with your tax advisor).

donations received by November 1, 2006 will be included in our 2006-2007 programs

2006 Mid-Columbia Ballet **Nutcracker Sponsorship Opportunities**

Show your support of the mission of the Mid-Columbia Ballet by becoming a 2006 Nutcracker sponsor at one of these levels.

Nutcracker Performance Sponsor \$5,000

Sponsorship is available for three public performances: Friday evening, Dec. 8th, Saturday matinee, Dec 9th, and Saturday evening, Dec 9th. Typical attendance for each performance ranges from 1,000 and 1,500.

- Signage and recognition at Nutcracker performance.
- Prominent recognition with logo in all media advertising, posters, flyers, and the printed program.
- Priority seating and discount tickets for staff and families.
- Complimentary program advertising space.
- Other benefits can include: Backstage Tour and invitation to the MCB Adjudication Performance.

Nutcracker Suite Schools Visit the Ballet Day \$1,000 - \$2,500

On December 11th, MCB will continue its tradition of presenting two performances of the Nutcracker Suite for area 5th graders. These annual performances reach ~ 3,000 school children each year and feature an open stage at intermission with an informative demonstration of stage techniques and special effects:

- Curtain and lobby acknowledgement prior to the performance.
- Two complimentary Nutcracker tickets.
- Complimentary program advertising space.
- Other benefits can include: Backstage Tour and invitation to the MCB Adjudication Performance.

Nutcracker Tea Party Sponsors \$250+, \$500+, \$1,000+

Nine years ago, MCB held its first Nutcracker Tea Party. This has become a cherished holiday event for all who participate. Tea is served on-stage by dancers and Nutcracker characters giving our young guests a dramatic vision of "Sugar Plums".

- Acknowledgement in printed Nutcracker program and Tea Party program
- Complimentary Nutcracker program advertising space.
- Complimentary Nutcracker tickets.



**Mid-Columbia
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2006-2007
Season**

YES! We would like to support Mid-Columbia Ballet by being a Nutcracker sponsor. (Please check the appropriate level at the right.)

Sorry, we are not able to be a Mid-Columbia Ballet 2006 Nutcracker sponsor at this time, but would like to make a donation to Mid-Columbia Ballet in the amount of \$ _____

Corporation Name _____

Corporation Address _____

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All donations are tax exempt.

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Tea Party
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