

**American Midwest Ballet's**  
***The Nutcracker***  
**Thursday, December 2 – 1:00pm**  
**Orpheum Theater**  
**Student Matinee Series – One-hour performance**

**PRIOR TO YOUR ARRIVAL**

Please arrange for all students to use the restrooms prior to departing from your school, as there will be limited time to use the restrooms once you arrive. For emergencies, restrooms are located on the ground, orchestra, and first tier levels of the Holland Performing Arts Center.

**SPECIAL NEEDS SEATING**

Please notify your organizer **at least 48 hours prior** to the performance if any of your students require special seating. Wheelchair access or front seating for the visual impaired will be arranged to accommodate those students. Students requiring special seating will be seated with at least two or three of their classmates and an adult. We will try to seat your entire group together, but in case of separation, please decide in advance which students will be accompanying your student(s) with special needs.

**DIRECTIONS TO THE ORPHEUM THEATER**

The Orpheum Theater is located at 16<sup>th</sup> and Harney Streets in downtown Omaha.

***IN ORDER TO ENTER THE BUS QUEUE, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU APPROACH THE ORPHEUM THEATER FROM THE WEST ON HARNEY STREET!***

*From downtown:*

Drive east on Harney Street to 16<sup>th</sup> Street. The Orpheum Theater is located on the southwest corner of 16<sup>th</sup> & Harney Streets.

*From Interstate 80:*

Take I-80 to I-480E. Take the Harney/Dodge Street exit off I-480. Turn right onto Harney Street and travel east. The Orpheum Theater is located on the southwest corner of 16<sup>th</sup> & Harney Streets.

*From Interstate 29:*

Take I-29 to I-480W. Take the Dodge Street exit off I-480. Turn left onto 17<sup>th</sup> Street. Turn left onto Harney Street and travel east. The Orpheum Theater is located on the southwest corner of 16<sup>th</sup> & Harney Streets.

**ARRIVING AT THE ORPHEUM THEATER**

Please plan on arriving at the Orpheum Theater between 12:30-12:50PM. PLEASE APPROACH THE ORPHEUM THEATER FROM THE WEST ON HARNEY STREET. You will be directed by members of the Omaha Police Department where to park. Once your bus is parked, it will remain in the same location until after the concert.

**ONCE YOUR BUS IS PARKED**

**Carefully exit your bus, watching for additional buses parking.** Walk on the south side of Harney Street to 16<sup>th</sup> Street. Enter the Orpheum Theater at the main entrance on 16<sup>th</sup> Street. Upon entering the building, you and your students will pass through a set of metal detectors. Bag checkers with wands will be present to scan bags. **Students should plan on leaving their backpacks on the bus.** This process is fast and is intended to ensure the safety of all patrons. Omaha Performing Arts Ambassadors will then direct your group where to go. **There is no food, drink, gum or candy allowed inside the Auditorium. Masks are required for this performance.**

**CONCERT SEATING**

Once inside, Omaha Performing Arts Ambassadors will direct you to your seats in the Theater. When you enter the Orpheum Theater, please ask for an Ambassador or wait for an Ambassador to greet you BEFORE entering the auditorium. ALL SEATING IS GENERAL ADMISSION. **To have a quick and timely seating process please follow all seating instructions from ambassadors and the House Manager.**

**CONCERT ETIQUETTE**

Please review appropriate etiquette with your students. Reminder: no food or drink, no cameras, please no cell phones, and leave all backpacks on your bus.

**FOLLOWING THE CONCERT**

**Following the concert, you will be directed by the Omaha Performing Arts Ambassadors to exit the Theater. Please go immediately to your bus, which will be parked precisely where you left it. NO BUSES ARE ALLOWED TO DEPART UNTIL ALL BUSES ARE LOADED so it is important that you move in a timely fashion back to your bus.**