

Kansas City Ballet

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Kansas City Ballet is the only professional year round performing ballet organization in both Missouri and Kansas. Artistic Director William Whitener brings to the Kansas City Ballet his rich and diverse background in dance. He danced professionally with the Joffrey Ballet and Twyla Tharp companies as well as appearing in the original Broadway cast of Bob Fosse's Dancin' and other television and film works. Kansas City Ballet presents home season performances from October to May as well as the holiday favorite, Nutcracker. Consistent with the Company's mission—to establish Kansas City Ballet as an indispensable asset of the Kansas City community through exceptional performances, excellence in dance training and community education for all ages—Kansas City Ballet provides an opportunity for schools to attend a professional ballet production in the theatre during their school day. Teachers can enhance the students' theatre experience by scheduling a pre-performance workshop in their school through the Ballet's Community Programs Department.

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Brilliant costumes and sets, dazzling special effects, full orchestral accompaniment.

Due to severely reduced availability in the Music Hall for 2009 and likely 2010, Arts Partners will be unable to offer Nutcracker student matinee events for the 2009-10 and 2010-11 school years. For further information, contact Linda Martin, Kansas City Ballet Community Programs Director at (816) 931-2232 x1315.

ABOVE: Kansas City Ballet dancer Stayce Camparo performs the holiday classic.
Photographer, Steve Wilson

LEFT: The Nutcracker has delighted audiences for years.
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