

The State Ballet of Rhode Island

RI's First Established Classical Ballet Company
Artistic Director/Choreographer * Herci Marsden

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Artistic Director, **Herci Marsden**, is pleased to announce **The State Ballet of Rhode Island's Annual Open Audition** for aspiring young children who would like to participate in the company's 50th Performing Season production of *Coppelia*, the enchanting, love story of the dancing doll. The audition for small children's participation will be held on Friday, October 2nd, from 5:30 - 6:30 pm and Saturday, October 3rd from 11:30am to 12:30 pm, at the historic State Ballet Studio in Lincoln, RI; for ages 6-11, with at least one year of ballet training, intermediate level students ages 8-14, and for boys with little or no ballet training, ages 7 and up. Audition attire for boys is white t-shirt, tights or sweat pants and white ballet technique shoes. Audition attire for girls is ballet leotard, tights and black or pink technique shoes; pointe shoes are needed for those who are proficient on pointe. Registration and a \$15.00 audition fee is preferred in advance, but will be accepted just before the start of the audition. If caste, rehearsals are most Fridays in October-December at The State Ballet of RI studio in Lincoln, RI. Three performances of *Coppelia*, will be performed at Roberts Auditorium, RI College in Providence, RI on December 11, 12, 2009.

Give your student the opportunity to take part in a favorite Rhode Island tradition and cultural treasure, with the State's longest standing classical ballet company, **The State Ballet of Rhode Island**. For more information, please visit www.stateballet.com, info@stateballet.com, or call 401.334.2560.

Set to music by Leo Delibes, enhance your families holiday season with Swanhilda and Frantz, the mysterious toy-maker named Dr. Coppelius with his life size dancing dolls and the "happily forever after wedding celebration".

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