

### LET OUR ARTS LIFT YOU TO NEW HEIGHTS

# Spotlight

## The Refinery Academy of Dance

The dance world can often be an overly competitive place, which in turn fuels an environment of win-lose thinking. This can look like: "I hope that the dancer next to me messes up so that I can get cast instead of her:" "If she improves more quickly than I, that makes me look worse:" "If I mess up or make a mistake, is a reflection of my worth as a human being." The Refinery wants to create a space where dancers feel safe to be themselves and show up as they are, where they are encouraged to make mistakes in pursuit of improvement and growth, and where they are able to learn to value their differences and the differences of others.

The Refinery's number one goal is to teach their dancers kindness towards themselves and others, teach them that their individuality (both as a dancer and as a person) is not only beautiful, but needed in the world, and to teach them the value of hard work, both as an individual and as a team. Dance has to be about more than movement. It is about emotion based storytelling, creativity, and learning to work intentionally towards a difficult and rewarding goal.

The Refinery offers classes in jazz, tap, ballet, hip hop and even offers adult classes in varying styles. This year they our putting on their first ever production of "The Nutcracker". It is December 15th and 16th in the Wasatch High School auditorium.

For tickets & to learn more about what they offer visit https://www.the-refinery-academy.com https://whsheberut.booktix.com/dept/Theatre/e/NUTRAD

# Smith's Mural

The Arts Council received 10 applications from local artists for the mural slated for the inside of the new Heber City Smith's store. Kroger will select 3 finalists to present proposals for the mural. We will announce those finalists on Friday, December 8, 2023. Thank you to all the artists who applied!

# **Wasatch County Arts Council**

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# Upcoming Events

DEC **1** 

Heber City Tree Lighting 6-8:30 pm

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Cottages for the Children Gingerbread House, Tree Display & Auction Timpanogas Valley Theater

DEC FRI & SAT Midway Art Assocition Art of Giving Fridays & Saturdays

nov-jan **3**  Smithsonian Institute Exhibitat the library
Crossraods: Change in Rural

DEC 5 There is Faint Music WCSD Combined Choir 7 pm

8-20

A Christmas Carol Timpanogos Valley Theater Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat

DEC 9

Homegrown Concert Series
6 pm
Wasatch County Library

DEC **11** 

Wasatch Back Irish Dancers 6 pm Wasatch HS West Campus Theater

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Swiss Chorus & Swiss Bells Midway Town Hall 7 pm.

**13** 

Fine Arts Night Rocky Mountain Middle Schoo 5-6:30 pm

15-16

The Nutcracker
Refinery Academy of Danc
Wasatch HS

DEC **19**  A Chirstmas Journey Stomp It Out Dance Studio Midway Town Hall 5:30 & 7:15 pm

To submit your event to the calendar click <u>here</u> See our event calendar with details <u>here</u>

# Happy Holidays