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'ALICE IN WONDERLAND' CHILDREN'S AUDITIONS - DEADLINE JANUARY 16

OMAHA -- Young performers with a yen to portray flowers, teacups, and other Lewis Carroll creations should pre-register now to audition for roles in Ballet Nebraska's upcoming *Alice in Wonderland*, artistic director Erika Overturff said.

Open to youths age 7 and up, the auditions require online pre-registration by **Wednesday, January 16**, at <http://balletnebraska.org/participate/alice2013-auditions/> . Pre-registered participants will audition on January 19 at Motion 41 Dance, at 2819 S 125th Avenue in Omaha. More than 80 youth roles will be available for casting, Overturff said.

"This is an exciting opportunity for children to be part of a professional stage production," Overturff said. "Not only is it a chance to perform, it's a way for them to experience how theater works, and to get a close-up view of our professional dancers' dedication and artistry."

Guest choreographer Kennet Oberly is staging *Alice in Wonderland* for Ballet Nebraska, the region's only professional dance company. Performances will be April 26 and 27 at the IWCC Arts Center in Council Bluffs. More information about the company is available on its website at balletnebraska.org.

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Note to assignment editors: The intensity and excitement of the young children who try out for *Alice in Wonderland* make the audition an ideal opportunity for feature photo or video coverage. ([Click here](#) to view examples from a previous audition.) If you'd like to arrange to attend, please contact Erika Overturff at (402) 541-6946 or by email at erika.overturff@balletnebraska.org