

2018 SUMMER KID'S THEATRE CAMP

Class Descriptions and Teachers

Week 1: June 18 - 22

AM Classes (8:30-11:30)

- **Musical Theatre.....Grades 3 – 9** (Teacher – Jaclyn Justice)
 - Campers will learn about the different styles and types of Musical Theatre, watch clips of various shows, sing songs from musicals, and prepare a scene as a group to perform for parents.
- **Performing in Sign Language.....Grades 3 – 9** (Teacher – BJ Brann)
 - Sign language interpreting is an integral part of many productions, both plays and musicals. For this class, campers will learn some basic communication skills and will learn to sign a song in ASL (American Sign Language).
- **Technical Theatre.....Grades 3 – 9** (Teachers – Jessica Legg, Laurie Jones, Edwina Himes, Marilyn Sanderson, Hank Baldree, Casie Holiman)
 - Technical Theatre includes all that goes into making a staged production. Studying a different area each day, campers will hear from various speakers about stage hair design and wigs; set design; props and costumes; lights and sound; and stage make-up.

PM Classes (12:30-3:30)

- **Yoga for Actors.....Grades 3 - 9** (Teacher – Megan Hamilton)
 - This class will explore the many ways that yoga can benefit the actor, both on stage and off, through mindful movement and breath exercises. Campers will learn how yoga can help to increase body awareness and to better control breath to improve vocal projection and to calm nerves. Campers will be introduced to the basics of yoga to equip them with the tools to establish a daily practice of their own. Yoga practice has been shown to improve flexibility and coordination, improve concentration and focus, as well as to improve self-esteem and self-confidence.
- **Improvisation.....Grades 3 – 9** (Teacher – Laurel Summerfield)
 - Improv games are about the most fun you can find! Campers will learn how to think on their feet, develop a wide variety of characters, build confidence, and work with other actors in a supportive environment. Whether you're loud and outgoing or quiet and shy, you'll find games that make you a better actor in Improv class. The more the merrier in Improv, so come join the fun!
- **Costuming.....Grades 3 – 9** (Teacher – Jaclyn Justice)
 - Campers will learn costume design basics; help sew and create costumes; problem solve and practice the secrets of quick changes; and design an original costume.

Week 2: June 25 - 29

AM Classes (8:30-11:30)

- **Fight Choreography.....Grades 3 – 9** (Teacher – Kwin Smith)
 - "Violence" on stage, whether unarmed or with blades, can further the plot of any story! There are ways to make choreographed "violence" appear to be real, when in fact, it is all completely safe, repeatable, and real looking to the audience. We will cover many techniques involved in the magic of mayhem. Please bring a pair of gloves every day! Leather is preferable, but others might work as well.

- **Reader's Theatre with Guest Directors.....Grades 3 – 9** (Guest Directors – Edwina Himes, Marilyn Sanderson, Wally Jones, Tyler Burden)
 - Campers will read and perform a different Reader's Theatre piece each day under the direction of a guest Director, so that they may experience the various differences in direction when cast in a production. This is a very important realization to have at a young age.
- **Monologues and Scenes.....Grades 3 – 5** (Teacher – Laurie Jones)
 - Campers will select and prepare a monologue or a scene with one or more other people. Character development and memorization techniques will be a big part of the class.

PM Classes (12:30-3:30)

- **Improv.....Grades 3 – 9** (Teacher – Laurel Summerfield)
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- **Theatre Basics.....Grades 3 – 9** (Teacher – Kate Cowling)
 - In this class, campers will dip their toes into the different parts of the theatre world, giving them a broad overview of what theatre is. Each day different aspects will be explored.
- **Monologues and Scenes.....Grades 6 – 9** (Teacher – Laurie Jones)
 - Campers will select and prepare a monologue or a scene with one or more other people. Character development and memorization techniques will be a big part of the class.

Week 3: July 2 – 6

AM Class (8:30-11:30) PM Class (12:30-3:30)

- **Grades 1 & 2** (Teachers – Laurie Jones, Joyce Eckstein)
 - Week 3, for Grades 1 & 2, will be specially designed for that age level and will introduce the small campers to different aspects of creativity in theatre.

THEATRE CAMPERS WILL HAVE A SHOWCASE EACH FRIDAY, THE LAST THIRTY MINUTES OF THE DAY FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY, TO SHOW WHAT THEY HAVE LEARNED DURING THE WEEK.