

# LAST YEAR'S COURSE DESCRIPTIONS ARE LISTED BELOW

## 2017 Course Descriptions will be posted in May

9:00-9:50 AM PERIOD 1

**Pop Songs** (13-18) Today, Broadway Divas are branching out into the world of pop performances, and pop divas are gracing the Broadway stage. This class aims to connect the skills we have as actors /singers/ dancers, and channel them into more of a pop based performance setting. Singers will learn top 40s songs and form small ensembles, duets, solos, groups to perform those songs. This is a performance based class, and participants should be prepared to sing, dance, and find their inner star!

**Theatre Intensive** (14-18) Meets 9-12:10pm For the serious student who is ready to be challenged, this is an *all morning* exploration into acting and performance skills. The course begins in the gala room at 9:00 (no am Camp round-up), and after a brief morning "chill" and bonding session, *On the Scene* takes place for the first two periods. *On the Scene* explores acting technique through contemporary scene work culminating in the performance of a one-act play. After an "equity break", students will be introduced to variety of activities, plus guest artists in dance, movement, theatre and film. The last portion of the morning will involve techniques for emotional prep for an actor, in addition to ensemble work; focusing on the collective journey actors take to achieve a common goal. All of this will take place in a supportive, fun environment. Students will have lunch with the rest of the camp, select afternoon courses, and participate in the end of the day activities.

**Broadway Rep** (12-18) Advanced dance students will learn about Broadway choreographers and re-create their famous choreography.

**Drums** (9-14) This class will introduce students to the exciting world of drumming as they learn basic rhythms and jams on various instruments. Students will have the opportunity to work on pads, various drums, drum set as well as orchestral and ethnic percussion instruments.

**Breakfast Club Cooking** (9-12) Is breakfast your favorite meal? Then learn how to whip up some breakfast goodies-egg dishes and casseroles, pancakes, waffles and crepes, muffins and other AM favorites! **Lab Fee \$22.00**

**YouTube Sensation** (7-11) After learning what makes a must see *YouTube sensation*, the class will create a parody based on popular and viral videos. Cell phones are useful for this class, but not required.

**Theatre of the Absurd** (10-18) Do you enjoy a bit of madness? Many actors will jump at the chance to tell a story through the use of oddity. It's a delightful mental challenge full of laughs and weirdness.

**Improv 1** (7-8) The fine art of improvisation is a lot of fun for beginner actors as they create scenes from funny and unusual situations.

**Multi-Arts 1** (9-12) This class performs a story without using words; by combining acting, music, movement, and sometimes special effects.

**Tech Theatre** (11-18) This class shows students the workings of technical theatre. Learn how to operate a fog machine, run fly rigging and other special effects. Become familiar with techie words and jobs and experience the camaraderie of being on the crew!

**Tap 2** (10-18) For students with previous tap experience, this class will celebrate the American dance form. Tap shoes are required.

**Ballet** (9-12) If you've never tried ballet, this is the class for you! Experience beautiful movement and music as you learn the basic positions and steps of ballet. Tap into your inner ballerina! Ballet slippers required.

**Faux Glass Sculpture** (8-18) Think Super-Sized Shrinky Dinks meets Recycle Art. Students will transform ordinary plastics (start saving those water bottles, caps and #6 plastics) into beautiful, colorful, flowing artwork. Creations will include individual projects such as mobiles, sculptures, sun catchers (using Gallery Glass products) and possibly jewelry, and culminate in a large class project to be installed at the theatre for all to enjoy!

**Costume Design** (11-18) This class will have a true costumer's experience as they conceptualize, design, and execute the costumes for a special performance on Arts Festival.

9:50-10:40 AM PERIOD 2

**Multi-Arts 2** (13-18) An advanced class which combines acting, music, movement, slides, video, and special effects resulting in a multi-media performance art.

**Jazz 1** (7-11) Would you like to try dance? A beginning dance class designed for kids who have had little or no dance experience.

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**Cook Out** (10-18) Campfire 101—toasting the perfect marshmallows for S'mores, roasting potatoes, hotdogs and much more! Fire safety will be emphasized. Rainy day cooking activities will be provided in the kitchen. **Lab Fee \$22.00**

**Acting for Film** (13-18) Acting for film and TV is different from acting on stage. Relate to your fellow actor in a believable conversation while finding your mark, using your eyes, face, and subtle body language to convey emotion. This class will explore the fine acting techniques used in film and television, and give you the confidence to act in front of a camera.

**Digital Photo** (9-18) From selfies to storytelling, portraits and action shots; learn to take great pictures and explore the possibilities of making your photos special. Computer editing will be a part of the course. Each student's best work will be displayed at Arts Festival. Student must own a camera or smartphone.

**Improv 2** (9-11) The art of improvisation is a lot of fun for both beginning and advanced actors. The spirit of creativity is sparked through theatre games and participation in various styles of improvisation, resulting in creating scenes from funny or unusual situations. You will learn how to think fast and be a supportive acting partner. Everyone will take away valuable skills that improve you as an actor and add to your confidence in auditions and beyond.

**Lighting 2** (13-18) More advanced cabling, use of gels, gobo making, tuning, maintenance and repair of equipment. Designing a small show or concert and programming the light board. Respect for safety will include an overview of the loading gallery, fly rail, spiking, labeling. Students will assist with the Lighting Design for Arts Festival.

**Great TV Moments** (13-18) The class will watch and then recreate favorite scenes from classic TV shows!

**Songwriting** (10-18) Writing your own music and lyrics can be very rewarding and fun. Students will work on individual as well as group songs. (Students should have some musical experience).

**Stage Combat** (13-18) Learn the finesse of stage combat! For all ages-boys and girls! Falling, rolling, punching and noises! This will be fun and safe!

**Bollywood** (12-18) Indian dance comes to ACT! Dancers will learn a great combination of classic Bollywood and Indian Bharatanatyam movements as they create an exciting and unique dance. You will receive your own authentic ankle bells. **(Lab Fee \$20.00 for those who do not own ankle bells)**

**Scenic Painting** (11-18) Learn painting techniques that will create the illusion of wood, brick, stone, marble etc. as well as an introduction to painting props and background pieces.

**Sewing** (7-18) The art of sewing is making a comeback! Girls and boys will learn to understand a pattern, hand sew and master a machine as they create a final project. You will never have to hire a tailor for those little sewing projects

**Costumes & Make-Up 2** (12-18) Learn how to visually create a character with costumes, wigs, and makeup. Special effects, animals and horror are featured!

10:40-11:25 AM PERIOD 3

**Showtune 1** (9-13) For kids who like to sing and dance, culminating in a mini-revue of popular Broadway songs.

**Optimistic Voices** (7-13) Students will learn the basics of vocal technique that will increase their range, power and confidence!

**Improv 2** (12-18) The art of improvisation is a lot of fun for actors. The spirit of creativity is sparked through theatre games and participation in various styles of improvisation. Everyone will take away valuable skills that improve you as an actor and add to your confidence onstage.

**Dessert Wars** (9-18) The ultimate bake-off! Learn the craft of baking and the art of presentation. This is a judged competition –let the baking war begin! **Lab Fee \$22.00**

**TV Production** (13-18) Actors, camera operators, directors needed! The class becomes a production company that creates and stars in their own videos.

**Super Heroes** (7-14) Actors will be assisted in developing a unique Super Hero persona. They will take on a secret identity and create their own costume. The class will take an oath of conduct regarding their powers and perform a skit featuring surprising powers on Super Hero Day!

**Fractured Fairy Tales** (7-18) Perform a funny short play which features favorite fairytale characters and stories...with a twist!

**Kids Scenes from Musical Theatre** (7-12) This class will enjoy acting kid's roles in scenes from *Oliver!*, *Annie*, *The Sound of Music* and other Broadway favorites. You will certainly be ready for any of the shows covered after learning about the characters and stories, what directors look for, and of course the experience of having acted from the script!

**Knitting** (7-14) An introduction to knitting and crochet. Learn to make a functional piece (hat, scarf) and also explore this fun medium in a sculptural way.

**Choreography** (12-18) Advanced dancers have the opportunity to learn styles while developing their own moves and routines and executing them with their classmates.

**Movement for Musical Theatre** (7-18) Students learn to interpret Broadway songs through facial expressions, as well as receive guidance in how to choreograph their own movements for selected songs.

**Props** (11-18) Students will learn techniques of prop building using a wide variety of materials to be used in the summer and fall TCT productions of *Legally Blonde* and *Dracula*.

11:25 AM-12:10 PM PERIOD 4

**Jazz 3** (14-18) Jazz for *experienced* dancers. Perfect the basics of multiple turning and leaping while learning a challenging routine.

**Musical Theatre Workshop** (11-18) Have you ever dreamed of creating your own Broadway style hit? In just 3 weeks, the class will invent a plot, characters and songs that help tell the story to create an original mini-musical! A great opportunity to combine your talent with others resulting in a one-of-a-kind premiere musical!

**Yoga** (7-18)

Our yoga master will guide this class into positions for stretching, strengthening, energizing, relaxation and meditation. Namaste.

**Lighting 1** (9-12) Join this fun hands on intro to Lighting, which includes learning the names and usage of lighting instruments, basic hookup, and fun creating shadows and colors.

**TV Production** (8-12) Actors, camera operators, directors needed! The class becomes a production company that creates and stars in their own videos.

**Improv 2** (12-18) The art of improvisation is a lot of fun for both beginning and advanced actors. The spirit of creativity is sparked through theatre games and participation in various styles of improvisation, resulting in creating scenes from funny or unusual situations. You will learn how to think fast and be a supportive acting partner. Everyone will take away valuable skills that improve you as an actor and add to your confidence in auditions and beyond. But mostly, you'll laugh a lot!

**Directing** (13-18) Learn how to block a scene and work with others as an actor and a director. A class for students with prior acting experience.

**ACT Newspaper** (9-18) Our camp produces a weekly newspaper. Students write articles, interviews, movie reviews, cartoons and a gossip column.

**Disney Princesses** (7-11)

Belle, Jasmine, Cinderella, Pocahontas, Ariel, Belle, Mulan and, oh yes, Elsa! These Disney characters are fun to play but also teach us confidence, strength, determination and kindness. Students will participate in their favorite songs and scenes from these beloved stories.

**The Band** (11-18) Your chance to be in a band is here and now! Students who play any instrument at any level can add to the performance of fun songs! Please fill in your instrument on [My Class Choices Page](#).

**Ballroom Dancing** (7-18) Learn the basic roots of all ballroom dancing, beginning with American Waltz and Foxtrot. Move on to International Latin Style with Rumba and Cha Cha and gain confidence with club styles from Salsa to the Hustle! You can become an overall better dancer and learn to pick up dance moves quicker!

**Lyrical Dance** (10-18 with 2 or more years of dance class experience) students will learn how to tell a story through movement and choreography

**Day of the Dead** (11-18) Inspired by Mexican tradition, this art class features elaborate decorative painting on skulls (provided) and the creation of skeletons to be used in our Mardi Gras Festival.

**Print Design** (7-18) Learn the exciting art of Print Design. Using different materials and create and then print your own artistic art work!

**Keyboards** (9-18) Beginner to advanced students will be challenged to improve their own technique and learn songs using the exciting functions available on electronic keyboards. If you have a keyboard, bring it along!

1:05-1:55 PM PERIOD 5

**Showtune 2** (14-18) A two-period course for the experienced performer. Students learn more advanced harmonies, choreography and lyric interpretation while working on popular musical theatre numbers.

**ACT Idol** (9-18) This class is based on the popular TV show. Singers will polish up the musical, vocal and performance aspect of acappella and karaoke songs, and getting them ready for an in class competition.

**Tap I** (7-11) Students will be challenged according to individual level and will progress into quick steps and flashy combinations. Tap shoes are required.

**YouTube Sensation** (12-18) After learning what makes a must see *YouTube sensation*, the class will create a parody based on popular and viral videos. Cell phones are useful for this class, but not required.

**Costumes & Make-Up 1** (7-11) Learn how to visually create a character with costumes, wigs, and makeup. Special effects, animals and horror are featured!

**Animation** (10-18) Bring drawings and clay figures to life and learn the fine art of creating animation on video. (Patience is required for this art form.)

**Great TV Moments** (7-12) The class will watch and then recreate favorite scenes from classic TV shows!

**Grimm's Fairy Tales** (7-18) Not for the squeamish! This mini play will create all aspects of production including sets, costumes and props as they re-create a classic fairy tale—a little scary and a lot of fun!

**Movie Madness** (7-18) Do you love movies? After watching film clips for guidance and inspiration, the class will re-enact great movie moments! The next star of the silver screen could be you!

**Matilda** (7-14) Perform a scene and perform a popular number from the Broadway hit *Matilda*—based on the beloved story of a clever schoolgirl who outwits an evil principal!

**Stage Combat** (9-12) Learn the finesse of stage combat! For all ages-boys and girls! Falling, rolling, punching and noises! This will be fun and safe!

**Clay Sculpture** (8-18)

Fun and creative projects of small creatures/people from oven baked clay, followed by larger paper maché and plaster projects.

**Monologues** (7-11) Actors all need to learn how to present a monologue. This class will focus on the skills needed to be able to stand on stage and act all by you! An excellent way to prepare for auditions!

**Jazz 2** (10-16) For the intermediate dance student. Learn how to spot, pirouette and leap!

**Improv** (7-11) The fine art of improvisation is a lot of fun for beginner actors as they create scenes from funny and unusual situations.

**Acting for Film** (7-12) Acting for film and TV is different from acting on stage. Relate to your fellow actor in a believable conversation while finding your mark, using your eyes, face, and subtle body language to convey emotion. This class will explore the fine acting techniques used in film and television, and give you the confidence to act in front of a camera.

**Mythology** (9-18) The origins of theatre come alive in the primal art of storytelling myths and legends. Students will learn stage presence and how to perform a narrative with little or no props. Several cultures will be covered, including Greek/Roman, Celtic and Native American.

**Sketch Comedy** (10-18) Do you love to make people laugh? Some of the greatest comedians got their start just like you-being the "class clown" or the kid who tells the best jokes. The art of two and three person comedy sketches will be explored, and students will practice and perform routines and skits. Be prepared to laugh a lot!

**Monologues** (12-18) Actors all need to learn how to present a monologue. This class will focus on the skills needed to be able to stand on stage and act all by you! An excellent way to prepare for auditions!

**Disney Villains** (7-11)

Sometimes it's fun to play the bad guy! Jafar, Scar, Edgar (*Aristocats*), Gaston, Captain Hook, Cruella DeVile, Ursula Malificent, Stepmother (*Cinderella*): all of these characters are challenging to play because of their unique sound and body language and require lots of energy and control.

**Guitar** (7-18)

Beginning to Intermediate students will be divided into groups and challenged according to their ability. It is necessary to bring your own guitar.

**Rockettes Kickline** (12-18) This genre of dance has been the focal point of the Radio City Music Hall shows for decades. The demonstration and practice of proper technique, line formations and basic choreography will be taught with a focus on flexibility, clean lines, precision and of course...kicking to our faces!

**Newsies Dance** (7-18) Extra Extra! Calling all newsboys and girls to dance high-energy choreography based on the newest Broadway hit! Seize the day!

**Monet** (9-18) The most loved impressionist painter's work is the inspiration for this art class; held outdoors in nature and inside. Paint and other color mediums will be used.