

FALL/WINTER 2017-18

THEATRE FOR TEENS & ADULTS

BEGINNING TAP

Teens & Adults • Tuesdays, 7:00-8:00 PM, Oct. 10-Nov. 14, 2017
\$55 Subscribers/\$65 Non-subscribers

Beginning Tap is a course for those who have not taken tap and those who would like a refresher. Taught by veteran Playhouse actor Mark Morrison.

INTERMEDIATE TAP

Teens & Adults • Tuesdays, 8:00-9:00 PM, Oct. 10-Nov. 14, 2017
\$55 Subscribers/\$65 Non-subscribers

Intermediate Tap is a course for those comfortable with the basics of tap who have studied for at least one year. Taught by veteran Playhouse actor Mark Morrison.

SPECTRUM STORIES

Ages 6-18 • Saturdays, 1:00-2:30 PM, Sept. 9, Sept. 23, Oct. 7, Oct. 21, 2017 • \$5.00 per session

Join us for an exciting day of drama! Come to one session or come to all. Open to any student, Spectrum Stories is specifically designed to provide drama experiences that best support the development of pretend play, social interaction, and non-verbal communication. Each session is carefully designed to enhance creative expression of spectrum youth while supporting the profile marker needs of each participant. Developed with the guidance of Professor Gretta Berghammer of the University of Northern Iowa, and the Sturgis Youth Theatre, Spectrum Stories uses story, music, and art to bring imagination to life. Pre-registration online at dmplayhouse.com is encouraged but drop-ins are also welcome.

SUBSCRIBERS RECEIVE DISCOUNTS ON CLASSES! PURCHASE YOUR SEASON TICKET TODAY!

Learn more and register online at dmplayhouse.com!
Or call Robin Spahr, education director, at 515-974-5365 to receive a registration form by mail.

SECOND SATURDAY

Grades 6-12 • Saturdays, 7:30-10:00 PM, Sept. 9, 2017; Oct. 14, 2017; Nov. 11, 2017; Dec. 9, 2017; Jan. 13, 2018; Feb. 10, 2018 • \$9 each month
On the second Saturday of each month, teens arrive in carpools, on bikes and by foot for an evening of fast-paced games and improvisation. Students are divided into age groups to accommodate common interests and skill levels. Pre-registration online at dmplayhouse.com is strongly recommended.

PIP (PRE-INTERN PROGRAM): Education

The Playhouse has an active apprentice program that pairs responsible teen volunteers with instructors in the education program. Requirements include the availability to attend each class session, an interview with the education director, and shadowing a PIP for the day. Currently there are 50 active PIPs. Come join them! Teens must directly contact Robin Spahr, director of education, at rspahr@dmplayhouse.com for more information.

Technical Theatre Opportunities for Teens & Adults

The Playhouse encourages those 14 and older to learn and master production roles in theatre. Volunteers serve as light and sound board operators, spotlight operators, assistant stage managers and on work crews. Requirements include the availability to attend technical rehearsals and all performances of the production in the Mainstage or Kate Goldman Children's Theatre. Training is provided. Contact Jonathan Hudspeth, production manager, at jhudspeth@dmplayhouse.com for more information.



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831 42ND ST., DES MOINES, IA 50312

The Playhouse is the place to take an interest in theatre and seriously concentrate on sharpening skills.
Can't get enough? Want to know all there is about production and performance?

There's a place for everyone here.

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THEATRE CLASSES



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CLASSES FOR CHILDREN

CREATIVE DRAMA

for Preschool & Kindergarten through Grade 2

Creative drama sparks children's natural abilities to become the characters they hear about in the books they love. This program is literature-based and designed to foster listening and cooperative skills, as well as individual expression.

Activities include: Music • Story Enactment
Theatre Games • Puppetry • Dance

CREATIVE DRAMA I: Picture Perfect

Pre-K & Kindergarten (must be at least 4 years old by 9/15/17)

Saturdays, 9:00-10:00 AM, Sept. 9-Nov. 11, 2017

\$126 Subscribers/\$136 Non-subscribers

Picture books are the introduction to the magic of storytelling for children. We'll dramatize some of our favorites each week, and bring favorite characters and stories to life in a fun, creative atmosphere. We'll introduce basic theatre concepts while reinforcing literacy and cooperation skills. Students can invite a friend or parent on the last day to join in the fun!

CREATIVE DRAMA II: Page to Stage

Grades 1-2 • Saturdays, 10:30-11:30 AM, Sept. 9-Nov. 11, 2017

\$126 Subscribers/\$136 Non-subscribers

Children will bring favorite books to life and become the characters they love! We'll act out stories, play theatre games, and sing songs, all while introducing basic theatre and acting concepts and reinforcing literacy and cooperation skills. Students can invite a friend or parent on the last day to join in the fun!

CREATIVE CHARACTERS: FUNdamentals

Grades 2-3 • Saturdays, 9:15-10:15 AM, Sept. 9-Nov. 11, 2017

\$126 Subscribers/\$136 Non-subscribers

This hybrid of creative drama and performance was created especially for those second and third graders who are ready to begin a more disciplined approach to theatre. While keeping it fun and light, young actors will use scripted and original material to focus on creating a character and collaborating with others in an ensemble. This is a beginning acting class that focuses on vocal projection and fluency, expressiveness, and body awareness. Parents can attend an informal showcase on the last day of class.

THE DES MOINES COMMUNITY PLAYHOUSE & DES MOINES ART CENTER PRESENT: Dr. Seuss on the Loose

Grades 1-2 • 4:30-5:45 PM, Thursdays, Sept. 7-Nov. 16, 2017

Sept. 7-28 at the Playhouse (4 weeks) • Oct. 5-19 at the Art Center (3 weeks) • Oct. 26 and Nov. 2-16 at the Playhouse (4 weeks)

\$155 Subscribers of Art Center or Playhouse/\$165 Non-subscribers

Start at the Playhouse, rehearsing the script. Then move to the Art Center and create the backdrops and props needed to help tell the story. Finally, return to the Playhouse to polish your play, based on the perennially popular books of Dr. Seuss. Parents are invited on the last day of class for a special showcase! showcase the last day of class for families and friends!



ACTING CLASSES

for Grades 3-8

Performance classes use the activity of putting on a play or series of scenes to explore four performance essentials: voice development, body awareness, character preparation, and ensemble creation. Our instructors are theatre and educational professionals who provide a supportive atmosphere while encouraging and challenging students to grow.

THE DES MOINES COMMUNITY PLAYHOUSE & DES MOINES ART CENTER PRESENT: Percy Jackson: The Lightning Thief

Grades 3-5 • 4:30-5:45 PM, Thursdays, Sept. 7-Nov. 16, 2017

Sept. 7-28 at the Playhouse (4 weeks) • Oct. 5-19 at the Art Center (3 weeks) • Oct. 26-Nov. 16 at the Playhouse (4 weeks)

\$155 Subscribers of Art Center or Playhouse/\$165 Non-subscribers

Start at the Playhouse and rehearse a script based on the popular books, working on performance basics such as character development, vocal projection, and diction. Then move to the Art Center and create the props and backdrops needed to help tell the story. Finally, return to the Playhouse to polish the scenes. Parents are invited on the last day of class for a special showcase!

KIDS INVENT THEATRE: Take the Stage

Grades 4-6 • Saturdays, 10:00-11:30 AM, Sept. 9-Nov. 18, 2017

\$186 Subscribers/\$196 Non-subscribers

Wanted: Young actors who are ready to take the stage by storm. Work on vocal projection, diction, body awareness, and other performance skills. Rehearse, polish, and present a play for an audience of families and friends. Taken the class before? No problem! There's a new play each session! All levels of experience welcome.

WINTER BREAK WORKSHOPS

Winter Wonderland

Grades 1-2 • 9:00 AM-4:00 PM, Dec. 27-29, 2017

\$145 Subscribers/\$155 Non-subscribers

Students will create and explore a realm of snow and ice, where everything is "frozen." We'll act out different stories, including *The Snow Queen*, *The Mitten*, and more. What will happen to other familiar characters when we transport them to our winter wonderland? We'll defrost with a hot chocolate party at the end of the last day. After all, some stories are worth melting for!

Three-Day Play

Grades 3-7 • 9:00 AM-4:00 PM, Dec. 27-29, 2017

\$145 Subscribers/\$155 Non-subscribers

Audition, rehearse, and perform a show for family and friends, all within three days. You'll still have time to relax before it's time to go back to school!



Students should bring a lunch and a snack to full-day camps.

EXTENDED DAY FEES FOR WINTER BREAK WORKSHOPS: BEFORE CARE

The Playhouse will provide supervised daycare from 7:30-9:00 AM. The fee is \$6.00 per session per day. This is not a drop-in service; children must be registered. After care is not available for Winter Break workshops.

Kate Goldman Education Fund Scholarships
Thanks to the combined donations of the Goldman Family and several generous individuals, scholarships are available.

For more information, visit dmpayhouse.com or call Robin Spahr, education director, at 515-974-5365.