

PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE

Fall Classes 2025: Register now!
16-week session begins September 8

AGES 3 – 5

Theater Tots

Ages 3 -4

Wednesdays 3:30 – 4:30pm

Saturdays 9:15 – 10:15am

For our youngest students, a wonderful introduction to the world of theater for the imaginative child; this class uses music, movement, and pretend play to tap into a child's natural inclination towards creativity and the imaginative world. Students should be accompanied by an adult guardian for the duration of class.

Story Book Theater

Age 5

Fridays 3:45 – 4:45pm

A wonderful introduction to the world of theater for the imaginative child, this class brings favorite fairy tales and characters to life through music, movement, and pretend play. Children will be introduced to the basics of storytelling and performance while working together on games and exercises that serve as a fun-filled outlet for creativity.

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AGES 6 – 8

Junior Musical Theater Workshop

Ages 6 – 8

Mondays 3:45 – 4:45pm or 5:00 – 6:00pm

Saturdays 9:00 – 10:00am

Musical theater performance is more than a pretty voice; it's acting through a song. Students explore how to interpret and connect to the lyrics to tell the story in the song. Selection of appropriate material for auditions and performance will be stressed, along with basic vocal technique and breath control. Staged musical numbers will also be introduced. Basic reading skills required.

Showtime Kids

Age 8

Mondays 6:15 – 7:15pm

Students will learn the step-by-step process of putting on a production from casting to the final presentation. They will learn the importance of characterization, rehearsals, and working together as an ensemble.

Intro to Musical Theater

Ages 5 – 6

Tuesdays 3:45 – 4:45pm

Wednesdays 4:45 – 5:45pm

For the musically inclined student, this class introduces the foundation of musical theater performance. Students begin to learn to connect the emotions of lyrics and how to tell the story in a song. Students will be introduced to basic music skills, including beginner vocal technique and breath control. Staged ensemble musical numbers will be introduced, and the importance of teamwork stressed.

Intro to Acting

Ages 6 – 7

Thursdays 3:45 – 4:45pm

Fridays 5:00 – 6:00pm

Students are introduced to the foundation of storytelling and performance through the tools of acting including voice, body, imagination, collaboration, and focus. Students will use role-playing and basic creative drama exercises to bring scenes and stories to life. A great opportunity for students to make new friends while developing self-confidence. Children should have reading skills.



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AGES 9 – 11

Musical Theater Workshop

Ages 9 – 11

Tuesdays 5:00 – 6:00pm

Saturdays 10:15 – 11:15am

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Musical Theater Production I

Ages 9 – 11

Mondays 3:45 – 4:45pm

Tuesdays 3:45 – 4:45pm

Students participate in theater games and exercises that encourage creativity, self-expression, and self-confidence. They then begin work on a play that incorporates the skills learned and introduces elements of scenery, costumes, and the fundamentals of performance.

Musical Theater Production II

Ages 9 – 12

Wednesdays 3:45 – 5:15pm

Saturdays 10:30 am – 12:00pm

Self-discovery for the actor continues in scenes, songs, and more advanced acting exercises. Students also perform a scripted musical with costumes and scenery.

Acting Technique

Ages 8 – 11

Thursdays 5:00 – 6:00pm

A class for students looking to develop their acting skills. This class will focus more in depth on acting technique through acting exercises, ensemble work, monologues, and scene work. Students will use self-exploration to expand their performance ranges and take on more challenging roles with confidence.

Broadway Dance

Ages 10 – 15

Fridays 3:45 – 4:45pm

For musical theater fans and dancers of all levels, students will learn choreography inspired by various popular Broadway musicals including *The Great Gatsby*, *Mean Girls*, *The Prom*, and *& Juliet*. Students will be introduced to the styles of famed choreographers such as Fosse and Stroman. This class will develop choreography memorization skills and allow students to practice for taking part in musical theater productions.

Improv

Ages 8 – 11

Saturdays 11:30 am – 12:30pm

Improvisation skills are the foundation of any successful performance. Teamwork, listening, spontaneity, and thinking on your feet. Students use theater games and exercises to increase performance skills, awaken creativity and learn to work with others to accomplish common goals.

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Teen Musical Theater

Ages 12 – 16

Tuesdays 6:15 – 7:15pm

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Teen Drama in Performance

Ages 12 – 16

Tuesdays 7:30 – 9:00pm

In this class, students will work on a scripted dramatic piece to explore advanced elements of performance such as establishing an emotional connection to a character, vocal variety, and physicality. A performance will be presented at the end of the class demonstrating the skills and material learned.

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Improv

Ages 11 – 15

Wednesdays 7:30 – 8:30pm

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Teen Scenes and Songs

Ages 13 – 17

Thursdays 6:15 – 7:15pm

Students are given the opportunity to work on curated material from across the canon of popular musical theater. Students will prepare scenes and songs from titles such as Dear Evan Hansen, Matilda, Little Women, Mean Girls, Finding Nemo, and more. Throughout the process, students will learn and implement musical theater performance techniques. The class will culminate in a performance for families during class time.



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AGES 12 – 18 *(CONTINUED)*

Musical Theater Showcase

Ages 12 – 16

Thursdays 7:30 – 9:00pm

For the experienced musical theater performer, students will work on a showcase of advanced Broadway material with choreography. This class will further enhance the student's skill in all aspects of musical theater performance, including song interpretation, stage presence, and musical theater dance skills. This class will include more of an emphasis on dance than our other classes.

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ADULTS

Adult Scene Study

Ages 18+

Mondays 7:30 – 9:00pm

Whether you are taking your first acting class, looking to polish your presentation skills, or seeking more comfort in front of an audience, this class is for you. Working to develop basic acting and communication skills that can be used in any walk of life, this class creates a fun and safe environment for you to explore your creativity.

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PRIVATE INSTRUCTION (AGES 8+)

Private Voice

Ages 8+

Mondays 3:30 – 8:00pm; Thursdays 3:30 – 8:00pm; Fridays 3:30 – 7:00pm; Saturdays

9:30am – 2:30pm; Sundays 12:30 – 4:00pm

30 minute sessions

Individual attention helps student singers learn breathing and vocal placement in a nurturing one-to-one environment; exercises are used to strengthen and protect the voice. Sixteen weekly, 30-minute lessons. Select your timeslot.

Private Coaching

Ages 8+

Wednesdays 3:30 – 8:00pm

30-minute sessions

Individual attention focuses specifically on acting and performance elements. Monologue and/or song work. Eight weekly, 30-minute sessions. Timeslots are scheduled on a first come, first served basis.

