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Register Now for Town Hall Theatre's Fall Acting Classes!

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP – Washington Township's Town Hall Theatre's will begin accepting registrations for its **fall acting classes for students in pre-school through grade 8** beginning **Saturday, August 22, 2009**. The ten week session begins September 14th and runs through November 19th, 2009.

Students may register online or in person at the Washington Township Recreation Center on August 22nd. **Resident Complete Pass Holders may begin at 9am, Residents at 9:15am and all others, including non-residents may begin at 9:45am.** To register online, students must possess a household account. Residents who have not registered previously will need to bring proof of residency to the Rec Center in person. Non-residents may contact the center by phone at **(937) 433-0130** to have their household entered.

Town Hall Theatre's professionally taught educational programming provides young performers with a quality performing arts education. Through the medium of theatre, Town Hall Theatre strives to increase the confidence of each child who passes through its doors, as well as to create a positive, student-centric learning environment where every individual can be successful.

Education Director, Brittany Hayden-Hinkle announces the fall schedule:

“There are several exciting new classes to choose from this fall!

Our introductory class, **Story Dramas**, (*Pre-school-Grade 2*), allows students to bring their favorite stories to life each class day! For Grades K-2, there’s **Junie B. Drama Queen**. Just mention this pint sized heroine to any grade school child and they’ll tell you about one of her crazy exploits. Junie B. always explains the workings of the world from her own hilarious perspective. Students will be encouraged to do the same and explain to parents what it means to be a kid today!

For Grades 2-5, we are pleased to offer two classes sure to give actors an edge at their next audition! Back this fall is the crazy improv class, **Make it Up As You Go Along!** Anything goes in this class without a script that teaches actors to work on their feet and react to the moment. Then, there’s **Audition Techniques**, which will give students an insider’s look at the audition process and learn tricks to picking the right monologue!

If musical theatre’s your thing, then there’s no better class for you than **Singing for the Stage!** This class introduces the untrained singer to successful musical vocal production and teaches the basics, including breathing, pitch, tone and intonation. The class is offered in both a JR section for grades 2-5 and in an advanced section for grades 5-8.

Managing Artistic Director, Mark Metzger, returns to teach this year’s only session of **Mastering the Callback** for grades 4-8. Get inside the director’s head when it comes to competing in a successful callback!

We’re most excited about our newest class, **Performance Intensive!** This is the perfect fit for a child who has shown interest in doing a play but is not able to commit to the rehearsal time for a full stage production. The class focuses around presenting a one-act play. This class will be offered in both a JR session for grades 2-5 and in an advanced section for grades 5-8. The JR session will be working on *The Emperor’s New Hair* and the advanced section will present *The Case of the Kidnapped Nephew*.

And then, of course, we are offering 3 sections of the ever popular **Acting One**, our pre-requisite class for being in a main-stage production at Town Hall for kids grades 2-7.

We're offering something for every child at every range of development and, regardless of our students' individual aspirations, we guarantee to boost self-confidence, strengthen public speaking skills and build great character!"

Class fees are \$97 for Washington Township Recreation Center Pass Holders, \$102 for Residents and \$107 for Non-Residents. All classes will take place at Town Hall Theatre, located in downtown Centerville at 27 North Main Street. Each class lasts one hour per week.

REGISTER ONLINE: Both residents and non-residents are now able to register online. Those registering online for the first time will need to contact the Washington Township Rec. Center in advance at **433-0130** to obtain a username and password. Residents will need to come in person with proof of residency. To register, visit **www.townhalltheatre.org** and click on the "Register for Classes" link.

For more information on class offerings, call Brittany Hayden-Hinkle, the Education Director at **438-7989** or visit our website at **www.townhalltheatre.org**.

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