



Winter 2010

Acting Studies for Children & Teens

Ages 5 through 17

Instructor: Kathleen Dunham

Play Acting - ages 5 & 6

Children are natural actors! Play is the means by which they re-enact scenes from their lives in an effort to understand the world in which they live. PLAY ACTING will focus on the exploration of the actors "tools" and how best to use those tools to act out characters from their own experiences as well as familiarize them with theater and theater terms. Theater games and "theme days" will play a big part in helping to introduce the world of theater to your child.

Creative Dramatics - ages 7 & 8

Building on the actors "tools" this class goes a step further in encouraging students to think on their feet while developing characters from their own imaginations. Using simple improvisational games, pantomime and exercises that promote listening and concentration skills, a foundation will be formed "setting the stage" for future work with scripted material.

Elements of Acting - ages 9 - 12

ELEMENTS OF ACTING will encourage students to begin the process of developing an acting technique. Using improvised scene work, students will explore who, what and where, along with other elements essential in building characters. Students will use their own past experiences to act truthfully in the imaginary world of the play.

Acting for Teens - ages 13 - 17

Exploring various methods of acting, students will begin to make choices about what works best for them in the development of an acting technique and approach to character development. Concepts such as actions, emotional and sense memory and substitutions along with others will be introduced to further students' insights into technique. Students will use both improvised scenes and monologues to practice and reinforce their skills.

WINTER 2010 - Class Schedule

	Name of Class	Dates	Time	Fee		Name of Class	Dates	Time	Fee
Session I	Play Acting <i>Ages 5 & 6</i>	Tuesdays: January 12, 19, 26	4:45 – 5:45PM	\$60	Session II	Creative Dramatics <i>Ages 7 & 8</i>	Tuesdays: February 23 March 2, 9, 16	4:45 – 5:45PM	\$60
	Elements of Acting <i>Ages 9 - 12</i>	February 2 Make-up day <i>(if needed)</i> Feb 9	6:00 – 7:30 PM	\$75		Acting for Teens <i>Ages 13-17</i>	Make-up day <i>(if needed)</i> March 23	6:00 – 7:30 PM	\$75

ABOUT OUR INSTRUCTOR

Kathleen Dunham is excited to be back at HMT for her third year of teaching acting classes! Kathleen has taught theater classes for Shenendehowa's Enrichment program and most recently appeared in HMT's production of CURTAINS in the role of Georgia Hendricks. Kathleen has also started performing in the area with her own musical set of songs. At the age of sixteen Kathleen helped start a theater company in Ballston Spa with the Ballston Spa Downtown Business Association where she directed their first production WHODUNIT. Last summer she became a member of the Actor's Equity Membership Candidacy Program. Kathleen has worked in several local professional and community theaters including: HMT, The Saratoga Local Actors Guild, The Lake George Dinner Theatre, Schenectady Light Opera, Albany's Park Playhouse, Caffe Lena's Channel Z Productions, Cohoes Music Hall, BARC Youth Theater, and Ballston Spa High School. Kathleen has worked as a Director, Lighting Designer, Sound Designer, Make- Up/Hair Designer, and Costume Construction. A few recent productions credits Include: GREATER TUNA, HMT'S FIDDLER ON THE ROOF JR, HEIDI CRONICLES, THE ALL NIGHT STRUT, BEAUTY AND THE BEAST, and TEETH. A few recent acting credit include: THE EIGHT: REINDEER MONOLOGUES (DANCER), HMT'S HOW TO SUCCEED IN BUSINESS WITHOUT REALLY TRYING (SMITTY), BAT BOY THE MUSICAL (MRS.TAYLOR/ROY), HMT'S SNOW QUEEN (PECK), MISS SAIGON (GIGI), GREASE (JAN), ONCE ON THIS ISLAND X2 (STORYTELLER, ASAKA), HMT'S ALICE IN WONDERLAND (LORY), HMT'S URINETOWN THE MUSICAL (TINY TOM/DR. BILLEAUX), AND FOOTLOOSE (RUSTY).



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HMT's Youth Musical Conservatory
 with instructor Laurie Larson



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- ★ Class size limited to 12 students per class
- ★ Registrations are accepted in the order in which they are received.
- ★ Cancellation Fee: \$10 per course up to one week prior to the start of class. After that point, no refunds will be issued.
- ★ All classes will be held at the Spa Little Theater

*Registrations by mail
 should be sent to:*

Home Made Theater
 P.O. Box 1182
 Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

*To register over the phone with MC/Visa
 or for further info call HMT at 587-4427*



Registration Form - Winter 2010

Child's Name: _____ Age: _____ DOB: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Ph: _____ Work/Cell: _____

Parent's e-mail: _____

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		Session I	Session II
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Enclosed is a check payable to HMT

Card # _____ Exp. Date: _____

Please charge my: MC ___ Visa ___

Signature: _____