

NORD CRESCENT CITY LIGHTS SPRING 2008 AFTER SCHOOL DRAMA WORKSHOPS

Classes held at FIRST GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH,
3401 CANAL ST., CORNER JEFFERSON DAVIS PKWY.

Dates: April 7th through May 15th
KINDERGARTEN & 1ST GRADE, Monday, 4:30 – 5:30 pm
2nd & 3rd GRADE, Tuesday, 4:30 – 5:30 pm
4th, 5th & 6th GRADE, Wednesday, 4:30 – 5:30 pm
7th THROUGH 12th GRADE, Thursday, 4:15 – 5:45 pm

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, APRIL 4

Class is open to students, with or without previous theatre experience.

Tuition: Kindergarten through 6th - \$70 (one hour per week for 6 weeks)
7th Grade through 12th Grade - \$100 (one and a half hours per week for 6 weeks)

The drama skills learned in each class depends upon the age level of the student. One of the primary ways children learn about life is through social pretend play. Our classes use this form of learning to teach basic theater skills. They will learn to make sense of the world by creating situations to play and assume roles through play. They learn how to interact with one another using improvisation and theater games.

Through structured games, children learn how to focus their energy and concentration on the task at hand through verbal and nonverbal skills.

Students will develop skills in speech, coordination, imagination, social identification, physicality and self-awareness. They will have the opportunity learn and practice storytelling, theatre games, stage movement, and vocal projection. Students in the 2nd grade through high school will develop performance experience through work on monologues, dialogues and short scenes.

This class addresses the Louisiana State standards and benchmarks for Drama Education:

- 1) Interacting in group settings;
- 2) Demonstrating appropriate behavior during a performance;
- 3) Exploring self expression and various emotions;
- 4) Understanding role playing in interpersonal relationships and to illustrate performance techniques.

INSTRUCTORS: Sarah Z. Singleton was the acting coach for CCLYT's *Holiday Extravaganza* and will be directing both productions for us this summer. She has been involved in the extraordinary art of theatre since childhood. Her theatrical experience includes acting, make-up art, prop crafts, design, management and directing. Her teaching experience includes teaching drama and directing at St. Luke's Episcopal Day School in Baton Rouge, LA. She believes that any interested child has the potential to be an amazing theatre artist, if provided intensive training in a nurturing environment. Sarah is the resident Stage Manager for Southern Repertory Theatre.

Julie Condy, founder of Crescent City Lights Youth Theater since 1993, is a graduate of Loyola University with a Bachelor of Music Education and has been a member of the New Orleans Opera for over 20 years.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION AND POLICIES

Please complete the entire application form. Read it carefully and discuss it with your child. Yes, it is a lot of information but we know that well-informed families successfully complete our program. We want you to fully understand how to make this a successful experience for your child.

Registration: All students must be pre-registered by the first day of class including the registration form, class contract describing rules and policies, and a Medical form must be completed for all students. **All forms must be completed for child to attend class.**

Payment: Payment in full is due at the time of first class and can be made by cash or check made payable to Stage to Stage, Inc.

Cancellation Policy: If you cancel your registration any time after it has been processed, up to and including the first day of class, we will refund tuition less a \$25 service charge. After the 1st class all fees are nonrefundable.

Class Size: Maximum enrollment - 15 students. Classes are closed to parents who can wait in the lobby area.

Class Cancellations: Stage to Stage, Inc. reserves the right to cancel any class if enrollment is insufficient. Any tuition paid will be refunded in full.

Attendance Policy: Each student's attendance at all classes is essential to the success of our classes.

Behavior Policy: All children are expected to abide by our contract. If a child is unruly so that the class is not able to function, we will discuss the situation with their parent. After one parent conference, we reserve the right to dismiss the child without a tuition refund.

Late Pick Up: Classes will end at the appointed time. **Please make arrangements to be prompt to pick up your child.**

Financial Need Scholarships: A limited number of scholarships for families with serious financial need are available. Call for details and eligibility.

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2008 Spring Workshop Registration Application

ALL FIVE PARTS of the application must be completed and received by Friday, April 4 by mail, fax or email. **Incomplete applications received will NOT be added to the class roster.**

PART ONE Applicant Information

How did you hear about Crescent City Lights Youth Theater? (Please check one)

- Received via e-mail Times-Picayune Teacher/School Radio or TV
 Website Yellow Pages Friend/Word of Mouth Other _____

Check Workshop: K & 1st, Mon. 2nd & 3rd, Tue. 4th, 5th & 6th, Wed. 7th through 12th, Thurs.

Student's Name: _____

Male: ___ Female: ___ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Grade Level (i.e. 4th): _____

School: _____

Primary Parent or Guardian's Name: _____

Relationship: Mother Father Mother & Father Grandparent Guardian

Primary Parent or Guardian's Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

E-mail: _____

Secondary Parent or Guardian's Name: _____

Relationship: Mother Father Mother & Father Grandparent Guardian

Secondary Parent or Guardian's Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

E-mail: _____

PART TWO Student and Parent Contract of Commitment

Student and Parent: Please read this contract together .(For K through 3rd grade, please explain in a manner that your child can understand. Some of the items will not apply to the younger children.) Discuss each item to be sure that you understand the expectations of Crescent City Lights. Please check each box to show that you understand and agree to abide by Crescent City Lights policy.

As a Crescent City Lights student, I understand that I will be expected to:

- Be an enthusiastic member of a performing arts team striving to do the best of my ability at all times.
- Behave and speak in a respectful manner cooperating with staff, volunteers and fellow class members at all times.
- Respect the building rules and use guidelines for any facility that I work in.
- Not intimidate or threaten other cast members or volunteers.
- Attend **ALL** classes to prepare and rehearse for the final open class for family members.
- Arrive on time for all classes.
- Make my own transportation arrangements for rehearsals and performances.
- Dress appropriately for activities in comfortable clothes ready for movement including lace-up shoes. (Please no sandals, crocs or flip-flops.)
- Not use drugs, tobacco or alcohol. Any illegal substance(s) found in my possession may result in dismissal from the cast.
- Leave all valuables & electronic equipment at home (including jewelry, radios, CD players, video games, etc.)
- Turn off all cell phones during activities.
- I understand that if I break this pledge I will be dismissed from the program without refund of tuition.
- I, as a participant in Crescent City Lights, pledge to carry out my responsibilities to the best of my ability.

Applicant's Signature _____

If my child is accepted into this Crescent City Lights program, I will assist my child in maintaining his/her contract to Crescent City Lights and understand that:

- I am responsible for getting my child to all classes at the appropriate time.
- I understand that my volunteer assistance is vital to the success of the Crescent City Lights program. I agree to assist as needed.
- Crescent City Lights programs are sustained in part by tuition and I understand that if my child is accepted and begins the program, my obligation to pay for the full program is unconditional and cannot be refunded for subsequent dismissal, absences or withdrawal.
- I understand that full payment is due at the time of the first class in the program. I understand that these payments are nonrefundable.
- I understand that Crescent City Lights reserves the right to dismiss a student whose actions are not in keeping with Crescent City Lights policy including disrespect for other people or property.
- I give my permission for photographs, video, an interview or the name of my child to be used by Crescent City Lights for promotional purposes.
- I understand it is my own responsibility to cover my child with medical insurance.
- I understand that it is mandatory for me (or another parent or guardian) to attend the beginning of the first class with my child for parent/student orientation.
- I have reviewed this contract with my child and he/she understands his/her responsibility in being a part of this Crescent City Lights program.

Parent's Signature _____

Your expectations of the Staff of the Stage to Stage, inc.

- 1) We will provide quality training for your child through affirmative teaching methods. .
- 2) Each student will be involved in the workshop as best fits their natural talent observed by staff members.
- 3) We will provide you with sufficient information regarding any change in workshop schedules should the need arise due to circumstances beyond our control.
- 4) Our staff are available to you if case of any questions or concerns regarding your child. Should your child has any personal or physical difficulties, we will work with your child to the fullest extent possible provided we have been made aware of the situation.
- 5) We will provide your child with a fun, exciting and educational experience increasing your child's personal and drama skills.
- 6) We will strive to treat all students, family members, volunteers and audience members with professional courtesy.

PART 3 (for grades 3rd and up) Essay by student

Please write a paragraph telling the Crescent City Lights staff why being part of a drama class is important to you. Here are a few ideas to get you started: What do you think you will learn? Do you think it will be fun? Do you like to act in your living room?

Paragraph must be ***HANDWRITTEN*** by the applying student. **Typed essays will not be accepted.** We want this essay to be from the creative heart of each individual student so that our staff has a glimpse into the mind of the student.

Students, we know it's tough to find the time to quiet your mind and write down your thoughts. This is very important to our staff since we truly care about you and would like to know your own personal thoughts. If you want it to be private between Crescent City Lights staff and you, put it in a sealed envelope and include it with your application. We, the staff, were kids too once. We remember what it was like.

PART 4 Prior Performing Experience

List of Previous Performing Experience (a resume may be attached if you desire)

If you don't have any experience, that's OK. You have to start somewhere and Crescent City Lights is a great place to get your start.

Community Theater _____

School Plays _____

Drama Club or Talented in Theater _____

Choir (church or school) _____

Dance Class _____

Music Lessons _____

Other Skills, Abilities or Extracurricular Activities _____

PART 5 Medical Info and Media Release

Please complete the following page and include the completed form with this application. If your child has any medical, physical or emotional challenges (i.e. asthma, extreme shyness, dyslexia or AHDD), please list them on the form so that we can better serve your child.

CHECKLIST FOR REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration form Contract of commitment Student Essay Performing Experience Medical Info and Media Release

Please send this completed registration form to: **Stage to Stage, Inc., 305 Baronne St., Suite 302, New Orleans, LA 70112** Or fax it to 504-598-3808. Or scan the completed form and email to s2sinc@bellsouth.net.

PAYMENT IS DUE AT THE START OF THE FIRST CLASS. Cash and checks accepted.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at 504-598-3800 or e-mail us at s2sinc@bellsouth.net

We look forward to having your child take part in our drama classes. Learning while having fun!

Medical Information and Media Release Form

Student's Name: _____

Emergency Medical Contact (in case parents/guardian cannot be reached):

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Does your child have allergies? ___ No ___ Yes

If Yes, please indicate type and allergic reaction? _____

If reaction occurs, are there special instructions? _____

Is your child taking any medication? ___ No ___ Yes

If Yes, please indicate medication name: _____

Dosage: _____ Reason for taking: _____

If yes, do they take it on weekdays? ___ Yes ___ No

Does your child have any allergic reactions to medication? ___ No ___ Yes

If Yes, please indicate: _____

Crescent City Lights Youth Theater wants to make the best experience possible for your child. If your child has physical or emotional limitations of any kind, please let us know. This will greatly assist us in coaching your child to be the best they can be within their ability.

Please describe any chronic health problems or behavior issues your child has or has had, such as asthma, emotional problems, learning problems, etc:

Please tell us any additional information we need to know in order to best serve your child in our program:

Medical Release

I, the undersigned parent or guardian of my minor child, do hereby authorize the staff of Stage to Stage, Inc. as agents for the undersigned to consent to medical treatment in an emergency. I hereby release and discharge Stage to Stage, Inc. from any and all claims for personal injuries.

Photography and Video Release

By my child's participation in Stage to Stage classes, I consent to the reproduction and/or use of any and all photographs, videotape, films, or other recordings of my child for advertising, promotional or other purpose by Stage to Stage, Inc. without compensation to my child or me.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date