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Schedule of Classes and Newsletter Winter 2010

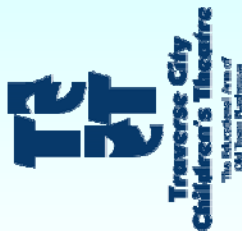


This issue features information about TCCT's upcoming auditions, our shows for Winter 2010, and how to sign up for our Winter Session of theatre classes!

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(Unless it's otherwise stated, all performances will be at Old Town Playhouse, 148 E. 8th Street in Traverse City)

Shows for Winter 2010!

HAMLET

Arguably the most famous play in the English language, Shakespeare's **HAMLET** continues to inspire. TCCT's Repertory Company



production of **HAMLET** is not merely a collection of scenes and speeches but a shortened version of the entire story.

HAMLET has been edited to run less than 90 minutes and includes the poetry, passion, and complexity that makes the play so loved and valued. March 22 & 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the Mary Schmuckal Studio Theatre at the Old Town Playhouse. Tickets are \$6

PINOCCHIO, based on the Collodi classic will begin touring in May, 2010. Adapted for the stage by R. Eugene Jackson and scored by David Ellis, this delightful musical was created especially for touring companies. **PINOCCHIO** is an action-packed 45 minutes of fun! Tour locations to be announced.

GRIMM'S BEARSKIN Beset by hunger, cold and loneliness, a soldier meets a strange companion in the wood. Dressed in a green coat and offering untold riches, the stranger strikes a bargain for the soldier's very soul. He must not bathe, cut his hair or pray for seven years—and he must wear what will become his name—a Bearskin. Though its pocket can never be emptied of gold, the soldier ultimately learns that true wealth is stored in the heart.

This musical production features an original script and score. Adapted for the stage by playwright Steven C. Smith with music and lyrics composed by Stephen Steinhaus and Keith Horn, **BEARSKIN** is the result of a year-long, international collaborative process. You won't want to miss it! June 11, 12, 13. Tickets \$6/\$11. Suitable for all ages.

Auditions for Winter 2010

GRIMM'S BEARSKIN. For ages 9 to 18 years. Auditions will be held on Monday, March 15 and Tuesday, March 16 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Rehearsals will be Monday through Thursdays from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, beginning on March 22. Performances are June 11, 12, and 13 on the main stage of the Old Town Playhouse. Entry is by audition. Tuition will be taken only upon entry into the program.

Tuition: \$120



We need your help! To save paper, we would like to send our newsletters via email. Please email TCCT at info@tcctheatre.org. Include your first and last name and make the subject of your message "email list".



Traverse City Children's Theatre - Winter 2010 Schedule of Classes

Unless otherwise indicated, all classes will be held at Old Town Playhouse, 148 E. 8th St., Traverse City. Questions? Call (231) 947-2210, ext. 103, or visit www.tcctheatre.org

Basic Classes

STORY BOOKS TO LIFE (class code BC1) - Kat Brown

For ages 5 to 6 years. This exciting class takes make-believe to the next level! Lessons will focus on the child's innate desire to pretend and cultivates them into true acting skills. Communication and sequencing skills are also enhanced with the use of dramatic play, movement and music. Tuesdays from 5:00 to 6:00, February 2 to March 23. Tuition: \$60

DANCE & PLAY (class code BC2) - Kat Brown

For ages 6 to 10 years. Children love to move and Kat introduces youngsters to the joy of dancing. Through fun music and silly routines, students move, dance, create and generally have fun! A great introduction to theatrical dance. Tuesdays from 4:00 to 5:00, February 2 to March 23. Tuition: \$60

INTRODUCTION TO ACTING & THEATRE

(class code BC3) - Denni Don Hunting

For ages 7 to 8 years. This beginning class will focus on stage vocabulary, movement, character study, scene work, vocal work and improvisation. Theatre games will be used to teach and reinforce lessons. There will be a short presentation at the end of the course. Mondays 4:30 to 5:30, February 1 to March 22.

Tuition: \$60

INTRODUCTION TO IMPROVISATION

(class code BC4) - Kathryn Preston

For ages 8 to 12 years. Children have a natural gift for improvisation. Let professional Kathryn Preston work with your children to hone Improv basics and games. Tuesdays 4:00—5:00, February 2 to March 23.

Tuition: \$60

All classes must meet minimum enrollment requirements

Li'l Broadway Classes

NOTE: The following classes can be used to fulfill the prerequisites for auditioning for the December 2010 musical. Students who want to enroll but not audition for the December 2010 musical are welcome.



SINGING FOR MUSICAL THEATRE

Ages 8 to 13 (class code LB1) - Matt Archibald

This course is designed for students who wish to develop a basic knowledge of singing. We will focus on the acting aspect of song preparation, including presentation and general vocal coaching. This class is part of the Li'l Broadway program and can be used to fulfill the singing prerequisite for the December 2010 musical. Mondays 4:00 to 6:00, February 1 to March 22.



Tuition: \$95

ACT UP, ACT BIG

Ages 9 to 13 (class code LB2) - Denni Don Hunting

Larger-than-life characters are par for the course in musical theatre! Training for this class will include how to have a strong stage presence and how to be loud without injuring your voice. Comic timing and improvisation are also covered. This class is part of the Li'l Broadway program and can be used to fulfill the acting prerequisite for the December 2010 musical. Wednesdays 4:00 to 6:00, February 3 to March 24.



Tuition: \$95

DANCE FOR THE STAGE

Ages 12 and up (class code LB3) - Mychelle Hopkins

Theatrical Dance draws from Jazz, Ballet, Modern, Tap, Gymnastics and even Hip Hop. Learn Broadway styles, steps and routines to some of the greatest "show music" of all time. This class is part of the Li'l Broadway program and can be used to fulfill the dance prerequisite for the December 2010 musical. Thursdays 4:30 to 6:00, February 4 to March 25.



Tuition: \$95

Technical Theatre Classes

For the student interested in the backstage area of theatre, TCCT offers classes in **Lighting and Sound, Scenic Design and Construction, Costumes and Make-up, Publicity and Public Relations, and Properties.** These classes are offered in conjunction with the TCCT spring production of *Bearskin*. Each technical class will make up the preparation and running crews for the June mainstage production.



Interested students are required to attend the *Bearskin* audition March 15th or 16th and register for their crew area. Adult staff members will teach, mentor and head each technical crew with class meetings one day per week beginning the week of April 12th. Space is limited for each technical class/crew. Tuition will be taken only upon entry into the program.

Tuition: \$60

COMING UP IN SPRING/SUMMER 2010

- **Spring 2010 Classes** begin April 12th and continue through May 21st. Registration begins March 1st.
- **Summer Performing Arts Camp** slated for June 21st through July 17th. Registration begins March 1st.



Winter 2010 Enrollment Form

Student's Name: _____

Student's Age: _____ Boy or Girl? _____

Parent's Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Ph. (____) _____ - _____

Work or Cell Ph. (____) _____ - _____

Email: _____

Inclusion in our mailing list? Yes [] No []

(If yes, please consider a donation to help cover postage.)

Class Name	Class Code	Tuition Amt.
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
Please make a tax deductible donation*	Donation amount →	\$
*A receipt will be given for donations of \$100 or more.	Total:	\$

No refunds after first class. Pre-registration HIGHLY encouraged! No notices will be sent unless class is cancelled. Please remit checks to:

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