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Drama Camps - Newsletter July 8, 2010

This week, all campers have been busy preparing for the big shows next Thursday! We have all backdrops painted, and costumes are being constructed. **We are still missing a few costumes, please be sure to send them in**, as we are running out of time to work on them! All costumes must be completed by next Tuesday! The campers are really excited to perform on the Main Stage at SOPAC next week!

Please remember that ALL After Care campers must be picked up by 4pm on show day (Thursday July 15th). The After Care campers will be in the lobby at 3:45pm for curbside pick up.

All campers should return *in costume* to SOPAC at 5:15pm. You may drop off curbside at this time before you park if you wish. Please note that all campers will be on the 2nd floor, in the Balcony of the Theater until they are ready to go to the Dressing Rooms to get make up. (DRAMA ONE Campers will be first in the Dressing Rooms on the 2nd Floor, since they perform first at 5:45pm!)

Please remember to bring your camper at **5:15pm** with his/her costume on (We will send costumes home as soon as they are finished)

All shows will start on time. Please, allow for extra time -so you will not miss your campers in their performances!!!

There will be a **cast party** following each performance. Please look for a sign up sheet on the morning/afternoon clipboards if you wish to contribute a snack or drink to share.

All seats in the Theater are first come, first serve. You will be able to get into the Theater around 5pm. Please try to carpool if possible. There is limited parking in the lot adjacent to SOPAC!

"The theater is so endlessly fascinating because it's so accidental. It's so much like life." — Arthur Miller, playwright—

Field trip Next Monday, July 12th
Campers must wear their *grey camp t-shirts!*

To **BEAUTY** and **THE BEAST** at
Pax Amicus Theater (Budd Lake, NJ)

For those of you *not* enrolled in before care:
PLEASE ARRIVE EARLY TO CAMP.
Please drop off by 8:15am.

The bus will leave SOPAC at 8:30am Sharp!
We are scheduled to return by 12:30PM.
Campers may eat a small snack on the bus if they wish. Please bring a disposable water bottle for the bus ride .

Drama Camp 2010 Production Schedule

Thurs, July 15th

- 5:45pm **Drama 1 - The 3 Nanny Goats Gruff**
- 6:15pm **Drama 2 - Character Matters II**
- 7:00pm **Drama 3 - Disney's Aristocats**

Thurs, August 5th

- 5:45pm **Drama 1 - Stone Soup**
- 6:15pm **Drama 2 - Coyote Steals Summer**
- 7:00pm **Drama 3 - A Year with Frog & Toad**

Thurs, August 26th

- 5:45pm **Drama 1 - The Three Piggy Opera**
- 6:15pm **Drama 2 - Friendly Neighborhood Helpers**
- 7:00pm **Drama 3 - Disney's Aladdin**

*** Remember there is NO PM Care on Show days, and all campers must be picked up by 4pm.**



Friendly - but Important Reminders

- ** Please pack an **ice pack or frozen water bottle** in your child's lunch.
- ** Any missing items will be in our camp lost and found box located in the Loft.
- ** Please make sure that your child arrives to camp each swim day - Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursdays - **with their swim suit on and sunscreen applied.**
- ** If you are not signed up for AM Care, you may not bring your child before 8:45am.
- ** After Camp care is from 3:30pm-6:30pm. If you have not chosen a curbside aftercare pick-up time, you must park and come inside to pick up your child.
- ** **AM Drop-Off:** You must sign your child IN and OUT of camp. A Staff member will be available for curbside drop off in the front of SOPAC from 7:15am-9:10am. Please remain in your vehicle for drop off, as this will move the line smoothly. We will come directly to your vehicle to sign in your camper and escort him/her into SOPAC. If you drop off after 9:10am, you must come inside the building to drop off your child!
- ** **PM Pick-Up:** For those children not attending PM Care, pickup is from 3:15pm- 3:35pm. Pickup is at the front entrance of SOPAC where you dropped off. **Please remain in your vehicle** to keep the lines moving smoothly and efficiently. One staff member will greet you at your car window with a sign out sheet for you to sign. A different staff member will escort your child directly to your car, and we will travel down the line of cars in this fashion. Please be patient as we will work very hard to make sure that all children are sent home as quickly as possible. If anyone other than a parent or authorized contact person will be picking up your child, we require a signed note from the parent/guardian before we release him/her. Please provide the name and phone number of that person. If the Alternate Pick Up Form has not been received by our camp staff, this will delay your pick up process! We will ask unfamiliar persons for identification before we release your child to them.
- ** Please remember that there is **NO PARKING or DOUBLE PARKING** around the SOPAC circle, and all cars lining up for drop off/pick up must form a single file line. THANK YOU!
- ** **There will be no aftercare on show nights. All campers in enrolled in After care must be picked up by 4pm on July 15th, August 5th, and August 26th.**
- ** Please be sure to be out of the building by 6:30pm SHARP. If you pick up at 6:30pm or after, you will be charged a late fee of \$15 per 15 minute interval.
- ** Email is our primary source of communication. Please be sure to use written communication with us, as we want to give you our fullest attention! All emails sent to Miss Lisa will be passed along to your Camp Coordinators, so feel free to send a direct note into camp for your Coordinator if you wish! We will get back to you as soon as possible. Thank you!
- ** Flip Flops are not allowed at camp. Sporty sandals, with back straps are OK. **Sneakers are preferred.**
- ** **NO ELECTRONIC GAMES OR DEVICES ARE ALLOWED AT CAMP - This includes CELL PHONES!**

Thank you and please contact us with your questions, ideas or concerns,

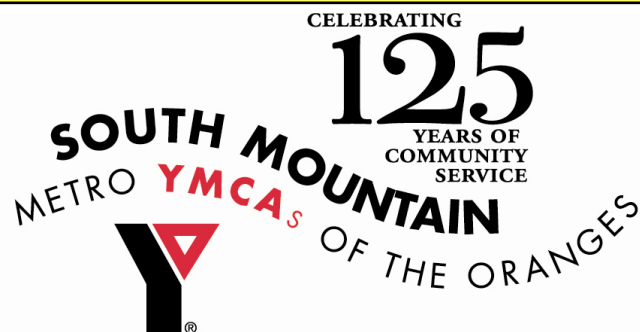
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