

Village Youth Theater Summer Theatre Arts Camp



The youth theater of the Village Players of Birmingham offers the theatrical event of the summer for youth in the third through ninth grades. Join in the magic of this four-week program that focuses on the development of talent and skills in the areas of acting, singing and dancing.

About Camp

The summer theater arts camp at the Village Players is designed for students with all levels of ability and experience. Working with a creative team (director, music director, choreographer, technical manager), students rehearse and perform a major musical theatre production with full sets, costumes, lighting and sound. Activities emphasize characterization, blocking, vocal work and choreography. Additionally, all students participate in set design and construction. Camp is held daily at the playhouse of the Village Players. Celebrating 95 seasons, the Village Players has a rich history of excellence in entertainment, a legacy it continues to build upon through its youth programs.

VYT Camp Managers

Mr. John W. Rutherford, Artistic Director

Mr. Rutherford, a gifted, award-winning arts educator, is renowned for his innovative productions at Groves High School. He has received the National Teacher of Excellence award from the National Council of Teachers of English, been inducted into the Michigan Educational Theatre Association's Hall of Fame and received the highest honor given to a teacher in Michigan, the Arts Educator GUVVY Award. Among many other activities, Rutherford is the founder of the Michigan High School Theatre Student Showcase.

Mrs. Cathleen Badalamenti, Managing Director

Mrs. Badalamenti is the president of the Village Players Board of Trustees and the Village Youth Theater. She founded VYT in 2007 and has subsequently produced more than 30 shows with the organization. She has also been a producer and business manager for other local youth theaters including The Community House, Sara Smith Productions and Roeper Summer Stock Theater. Mrs. Badalamenti was awarded the Birmingham Bloomfield Cultural Arts Award for her efforts on behalf of youth performing arts opportunities.

Weekly Schedule

Week One: The Audition Process

Introductions, warm-ups and the audition process. At week's end, campers audition for the summer production.

Weeks Two and Three: Development Process

Intensive rehearsals in acting, dancing, singing, character development and technique.

Week Four: Tech and Performance Week

Tech and dress rehearsals. Final preparations for public performance of show.

Weekly, all campers will participate in fun-themed Fridays and other special events. Campers bring their own lunches daily and can buy a pizza lunch on Fridays.

VYT Summer Theatre Arts Camp—Enrollment Information

- **Session Dates:** June 24 through July 19 (Camp is not in session on Thursday, July 4.)
- **Days:** Monday through Friday
- **Time:** 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m..
- **Performance Dates:** July 17 & 18 at 7:00 p.m. and July 18 at noon.

- **Tuition**

Total Camp Tuition: \$895.00

Tuition Enrollment Deposit: \$250.00

Tuition Balance: \$645.00 (Due 5/24/2019)

Checks are made payable to Village Youth Theater.

No credit cards accepted.

- **Before/After Care:** Care is available daily from 7:30 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. at a cost of \$12.00/hour per camper. Care is billed on a weekly basis.

- **Refunds:** The camp deposit and tuition fees are non-refundable after May 24, 2019. All requests for refunds prior to May 24, 2019 must be received in writing.

- **Questions:** Call the Village Players at 248-644-2075 or email: villageyouththeatre@gmail.com

- **Mailing Address**

Village Youth Theatre, P.O. Box 172

Birmingham, MI 48012

- **Theater Address**

34660 Woodward Ave., Birmingham, MI 48009

VYT Summer Theatre Arts Camp—Registration

Please complete the information below and mail it back to register for participation in VYT's Summer Theater Arts Camp. A deposit of \$250 must accompany this registration to secure enrollment in the program for the summer of 2019 (checks or cash only). Upon receipt of information and deposit, a complete set of camp forms will be emailed to you with an enrollment confirmation letter. Completed forms must be on file by 5/24/2019.

Name: _____ Male Female

Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip : _____

Age: _____ Birth Date: _____ Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Primary Contact Ph: _____ Primary Contact Email: _____

School: _____ Current Grade: _____

Returning Camper: ___Yes ___No

Previous Theatre Experience: _____
