

# 2009 Spring Classes

## SPRING into ACTION



Registration  
Deadline:  
Tuesday 2/17/09

### CIVIC YOUTH THEATRE

SAVE \$30 OR MORE

We want to make taking classes at the Civic a family affair. For each full price class tuition of **\$75** we are offering you a second tuition for just **\$45**, which can be used for the same student or another member of the family.

Classes run 6 weeks beginning  
Tuesday 2/24/09 thru Saturday 4/4/09

### BUILD FOUNDATIONS (Ages 6-8)

**MONKEY AROUND** (TUESDAYS • 2/24/09 – 3/31/09 • 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm)

Using newly published books, like *What the Grizzly Knows*, along with old favorites like *Where the Wild Things Are*, youngsters will be introduced to theatre by bringing the animals off the pages to life through playful vocal exercises, movement activities and the use of imagination. Students will develop beginning performance technique and vocabulary while creating their own theatrical adventures.

**TELLING TALES** (SATURDAYS • 2/28/09 – 4/4/09 • 10:00 am – 12:00 pm)

Tall tales, fairytales, myths, legends and folklore will all be explored in this unique introduction to storytelling, improvisation and design. Students will use basic fabric and furniture to develop fantastical fairytale fortresses and lands far, far away as they create the setting and then perform the story itself.

### GAIN FOCUS (Ages 9-11)

**JOKING AROUND** (THURSDAYS • 2/26/09 – 4/2/09 • 4:00pm – 6:00 pm)

Comedy is key in this fun, physical class. Participants will focus on the essentials of comedy through movement and vocal activities designed with the young jokester in mind. The basics of telling a good joke, the proper way to fall down and how to create a clown character will all be explored. Learning how to be funny is definitely a laughing matter!

**TALK TO ME** (SATURDAYS • 2/28/09 – 4/4/09 • 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm)

In this introduction to scene work, participants will put together the building blocks of acting. Development of a vocal technique will be worked on and students will learn to commit to character choices while bravely taking new risks on stage. Students will work on gaining vocal power to be heard onstage. The class will also work on cold readings and practice tips for auditioning.

A Note from Nicki

### GETTING TECHNICAL (Ages 10-14)

**MAKING MASKS MOVE** (SATURDAYS • 2/28/09 – 4/4/09 • 10:00 am – 12:00 pm)

In this innovative two-part class, students will first learn the art of mask-making as each creates an individually selected character mask. After the entire mask process is complete, students will put the mask to use in a movement exploration of Commedia dell'Arte—or "artistic comedy"—the original improvisation. The students will learn their character's specific movement from how to walk to how to fall down and then put it into play through comedic improvisational activities.

LIMIT: 12 Students

For more information contact Nicki Poer at  
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Check out  
our BRAND  
new classes  
for Spring!

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Give winter the boot with these high-energy class offerings!

## FOLLOW THROUGH (Ages 12-14)

**CLOWNING AROUND** (TUESDAYS • 2/24/09 – 3/31/09 • 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm)

Through the art of physical comedy and vocal characterization, this class will help students develop and create a personal clown. Students will master gags and gimmicks, bits and jokes, all the while learning the art of funny business to emerge as more confident performers.

**TELL ME MORE** (THURSDAYS • 2/26/09 – 4/2/09 • 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm)

Newcomers and experienced performers alike will work together in this acting and scene study class to make dynamic character choices in performance. Students will learn about play analysis and scene structure to support each individual character with the words created by the playwright. The voice will get some focus to continue working on creating strong breath support and vocal power. Get ahead of the game and learn how to score a scene and translate the words on the page into action onstage!

## GRAND FINALE (Ages 15-18)

**STAND UP, SPEAK OUT!** (SATURDAYS • 2/28/09 – 4/4/09 • 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm)

Do you have something to say? Do you want to find a new way to say it? Find your voice in this teen acting intensive. Participants will transform their own ideas on various topics into performance pieces as an ensemble by creating monologues and scenes. There will be a final presentation on the last day of class where the students will perform their original works as 15 plays in 15 minutes. High-energy and fast-paced; the audience will definitely sit up and listen!

LIMIT: 15 Students

Scholarship application forms and additional registration forms available at [www.kazoocivic.com](http://www.kazoocivic.com)

**Scholarship  
Deadline:  
Tuesday 2/10/09**



# 2009 CYT Spring Class Registration Form

Please mark the circle next to the appropriate class(es) for each participating student.

### FIRST STUDENT'S CLASS SELECTION(S):

- MONKEY AROUND**
- TELLING TALES**
- JOKING AROUND**
- TALK TO ME**
- MAKING MASKS MOVE**
- CLOWNING AROUND**
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### SECOND STUDENT'S CLASS SELECTION(S):

- MONKEY AROUND**
- TELLING TALES**
- JOKING AROUND**
- TALK TO ME**
- MAKING MASKS MOVE**
- CLOWNING AROUND**
- TELL ME MORE**
- STAND UP, SPEAK OUT!**

If you are enrolling more than two students, please use an additional form, but tabulate all charges on one form.

First Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (w) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

First Class: \_\_\_\_\_ qty: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$75 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Second Class: \_\_\_\_\_ qty: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$45 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check: Payable to Kalamazoo Civic     VISA     Mastercard

Account. No. : \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_