THE COTERIE ACTS
THEATRE SCHOOL

Summer 2019
NOW REGISTERING
INCOMING GRADES K-12TH

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A Note from The Coterie’s Education Director

Dear Parents and Young Actors,

Welcome to The Coterie’s summer classes! In this brochure you will find The Coterie Acts classes for students entering kindergarten through 12th grade. The Coterie Acts offers creative drama and acting classes that create strong actors and creative individuals. Participants in all of our classes build self esteem and confidence as they refine their creativity, active listening, and concentration skills.

Our youngest actors will join in the fun of our creative drama classes as they flex their imaginations through theatre games, visual arts, music, and improvisation, emphasizing the importance of storytelling and collaboration.

As students get older, our classes challenge them to continue growing as actors. Working with professional teaching artists, students will hone their acting skills through theatre games, improvisations, acting exercises, and scene work to discover what it means to respond truthfully and believably. Most youth roles in professional Coterie Theatre mainstage productions are cast from our classes because of the relationships we develop with our students.

We offer creative drama and acting classes focused on process rather than product. The process-based model of theatre education is more challenging and creates longer lasting results. Students achieve a higher level of creativity and greater understanding of the artistry of theatre when they are fully immersed in the work instead of learning rote actions. However, we do understand that theatre is a performing art, so most classes culminate in a “sharing” on the final day to demonstrate skills to parents, family, and friends. For those seeking performance opportunities, The Coterie Acts also offers three performance camps that combine process and product. With small class sizes, students and teachers can work together to get the best experience, allowing all students to participate and learn.

Our classes this summer are designed to create fun and imaginative ways to learn about theatre. Summer 2019 is going to be great and I am very excited for you to be a part of it!

Amanda Kibler
Education Director

REGISTER EARLY!
Classes have a minimum and a maximum. Many classes fill early, so don’t delay!

REGISTER ONLINE OR BY PHONE
OVERLAND PARK, NORTHLAND, LEE’S SUMMIT & LIBERTY:
thesoterie.org or 816-474-4241
PEMBROKE HILL:
pembrokehill.org or 816-936-1377

FOOTLOOSE
Two Week Performance Camp
Incoming Grades 9-12 (at Pembroke Hill)
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THE LION, THE WITCH, AND THE WARDROBE
One Week Performance Camp
Incoming Grades 5-10 (at Liberty)
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ELEPHANT AND PIGGIE AND YOU!  
Incoming Grades K-2

Elephant and Piggie are in a play and you can learn all about acting right along with them! Team up with your favorite characters as they explore the world and books of children’s author Mo Willems. Have fun with Elephant and Piggie and all of their friends as we bring your favorite books to life!

MAGICAL TOY ADVENTURES  
Incoming Grades K-2

Enter a world full of toys that come to life when humans have left the room. Using favorite movies and books like Toy Story, The Lego Movie, Winnie the Pooh, and ideas from our own toys, we will act out scenes about what happens when humans aren’t around. We will go on adventures where everything around you changes in the blink of an eye!

IMAGINATION TRAVELERS  
Incoming Grades K-2

Zoom! Let’s jump in our planes to fly off to an imaginary world full of adventure! Then we’ll take a boat to explore new and interesting creatures. And jump into a rocket ship to discover a new planet. With our imaginations, we can travel anywhere and become anything. Pack your creativity and let’s go!

SUMMER TERM AT HOGWARTS  
Incoming Grades 3-5

Join all your favorite characters from the Harry Potter series as you enter into a magical world filled with wizards, dragons, trolls, and elves. Act out scenes as Harry and his friends go to classes, play Quidditch, and even battle He-Who- Shall-Not-Be-Named. Immerse yourself in this exciting world all week and come out a full-fledged wizard!

MONSTEROLOGISTS  
Incoming Grades 3-5

Are you a monster hunter? Do you want to help us find infamous monsters such as Big Foot, Loch Ness Monster, and the Kraken? Then this class is for you! Students will become both monsters and monster hunters as they create stories and characters for our adventures around the world, seeking out our favorite monsters.

BROADCAST: MAYHEM!  
Incoming Grades 3-5

Hop inside the TV and create your own original sitcoms, commercials, game shows, and news casts. Each class will come up with their own television channel and direct all the programming...no matter how crazy it may be! All their shows will be shared live with family and friends during the final class.

ZOMBIE ISLAND  
Incoming Grades 5-7

A group of people have been dropped on an island filled with zombies! You and your fellow actors will learn stage combat techniques to incorporate into scenes you create as you make up your own story of survival. Learn how to build suspense, a captivating storyline, and interesting characters.

FUNNY BONES: INTRO TO IMPROV  
Incoming Grades 5-7

Get your funny started as you begin to learn all about comedy and improv! This fun and fast-paced class introduces young actors to the wide-open world of improv comedy. Students will develop skills in spontaneity, listening, creativity, storytelling, and collaboration building acting skills as they explore their silly side!

SHARING:  Friends and family are invited to a sharing of scenes and activities on the last day of indicated classes.

QUESTION ABOUT WHICH CLASS TO TAKE?  
Contact Education Director  AMANDA KIBLER  816-474-2230

Grade levels are for the 2019-2020 school year.
AUDITION LAB
Incoming Grades 5-7; Grades 8-12
This class is a great way to prepare yourself for upcoming auditions! With the help of a professional teaching artist, students will choose audition monologues that match their age, personality, and individual audition needs. Students will use the week to prepare a monologue, develop successful strategies for cold readings, and learn how to create a professional resume. The final class includes a special audition with Jeff Church, Coterie Producing Artistic Director, or a member of The Coterie staff, for youth roles in the upcoming Coterie season.

WELCOME TO MUSICAL THEATRE ★
Incoming Grades 5-10
If you like acting, singing, and dancing, then musical theatre is for you! In this class, you will perform showstoppers from Broadway and The Coterie stage. We’ll learn songs that will bring you around the world and right back home from some of the most popular Broadway shows, such as Waitress, Spamalot, Hamilton, and more. Students will spend the week exploring character, learning choreography, and singing as an ensemble under the direction of an expert musical theatre actor and a professional accompanist. Students will perform as a chorus for family and friends during the final class.

ADVANCED MUSICAL THEATRE ★
Incoming Grades 6-12
Take your musical theatre skills to the next level by performing duets, solos, and small group numbers from popular musicals. Continue to build on your skills and be challenged in new and exciting ways! Actors will rehearse scenes, songs, and dance numbers under the direction of a professional musical theatre actor and a professional accompanist. Students will perform a variety of numbers for family and friends during the final class. We encourage 6th-10th graders to take Welcome to Musical Theatre to establish a strong foundation before taking Advanced Musical Theatre.

SKETCH COMEDY ★
Incoming Grades 8-12
Jump in and learn how to create scenes that will leave your audience rolling in the aisles! Students will develop an understanding of the rules of comedy, character, and timing as they have fun writing and performing sketches with their fellow actors. Ready to join our sketch comedy troupe? This class offers an opportunity for consideration in The Coterie’s Comedy Master class.

Skill Building
Classes for grades 5-12 challenge older students to sharpen their improv skills, learn new acting methodology, develop new performance ideas, and, in some cases, put lessons into action using a script.
INSTRUCTORS: All Coterie Teaching Artists are theatre professionals and experienced theatre teachers under the direction of Jeff Church, Producing Artistic Director, and Amanda Kibler, Education Director. Many instructors have extensive professional acting credits; others work professionally as directors, choreographers, designers, or in other aspects of theatre. If you would like more information about any teacher, view their bio on our website or give us a call at (816) 474-2230.

CLASS SIZE: We strive to keep classes small enough that all students are able to participate and learn. Most kindergarten through 4th grade classes have one teacher for every 10 students. Most classes for grades 5 through 12 have one teacher for every 12 students.

DISCOUNTS: A 10% Sibling or Multiple Class Discount is available to students who register through The Coterie for more than one class or multiple siblings from the same family. Discount offers may not be combined. For discounts offered through Pembroke Hill visit www.pembrokehill.org.

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REFUND POLICY: The Coterie will provide a full refund if given notice two weeks before the first day of the class. The Coterie reserves the right to cancel classes that do not have an enrollment of six or more students one week prior to the first day of the class.

FREE TICKET: All students receive a complimentary pass to The Coterie Theatre. Visit www.thecoterie.org for complete information about The Coterie’s season of live theatre.

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**CLASS SCHEDULE**

**Site**
- **PLZ (Plaza)**: 400 W 51st Street
- **OP (Overland Park)**: 11811 W 114th
- **LS (Lee’s Summit)**: 66212 Bluegrass Red
- **LIB (Liberty)**: 64068 E 26th
- **NL (Northland)**: 64156 NE Barry Road
- **MCC-Maple Woods Campus**:
  - 64112 Wornall
  - 64156 NE Barry Road

**Site Time**
- **9:00-12:00**
- **12:30-3:30**

**Class**
- **Imagination Travelers**
- **Sketch Comedy**
- **Welcome to Musical Theatre**
- **Gregorian Model**
- **MCC-Maple Woods Campus**
- **Framed by Dance**
- **Audition Lab**
- **Musical Theatre**
- **Shakespeare in the Park**

**2019-20 Grade**
- **K-2nd**
- **3rd-5th**
- **6th-8th**
- **9th-12th**

**Fee**
- $140
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- $190

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**REGISTRATION FORM**

Register for Coterie classes in Overland Park, Lee’s Summit, Liberty, and in the Northland at thecoterie.org

Register for Coterie classes at Pembroke Hill at pembrokehill.org