

2009-2010 Classes

Topeka Civic Theatre & Academy

Fall, Winter, & Spring



**We offer classes for adults too...
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Stepping Stones Registration

Fall: September 7 - October 30, 2009
Enrollment begins August 10, 2009

Winter: January 4 - February 26, 2010
Enrollment begins November 16, 2008

Spring: March 22 - May 14, 2010
Enrollment begins February 22, 2009



NATIONAL
ENDOWMENT
FOR THE ARTS



THE TCT ACADEMY MISSION:

The TCT Academy is devoted to developing an appreciation for the arts among youth in the community. It is our hope that through our programming we will foster artistic, intellectual, social, and emotional growth.

Stepping Stones Curriculum

The Topeka Civic Theatre & Academy Stepping Stones Curriculum breaks down acting technique into groups of skills: Characterization (Fall Term), Scene Study (Winter Term), and Improvisation (Spring Term) dividing children into units best absorbed at a particular age/grade. No previous experience is required, and the three classes in each age group may be taken in any order. After completing all three in one age “step”, the student may enroll in a PERFORMANCE class. BUT THERE’S MORE: after “aging out” of one Performance Class, the student then graduates to the next age group’s Theatre Stepping Stone to learn more challenging acting techniques, and eventually qualify for a more advanced performance troupe!



stepping stones

Stepping Stones

Fall



Characterization

Personal Acting Skills

Builds vocal & physical expression through monologue work. Includes memorization & between-class homework. Open-house for family on last day of class.

**GRADES
2-3**

Creative Dramatics

Class Size: 5 min, 10 max
Tuition: Members \$55, Non-Members \$70
Meets 5:15-6:30 Mondays
September 7-October 26, 2009

**GRADES
4-5**

Character Creation

Class Size: 5 min, 10 max
Tuition: Members \$80, Non-Members \$95
Meets: 4:30-6:30 Tuesdays
September 8-October 27, 2009

**GRADES
6-7**

Exploring Characters

Class Size: 5 min, 10 max
Tuition: Members \$80, Non-Members \$95
Meets: 4:30-6:30 Tuesdays
September 8-October 27, 2009

**GRADES
8-12**

Building a Character

Class Size: 5 min, 10 max
Tuition: Members \$80, Non-Members \$95
Meets: 4:30-6:30 Wednesdays
September 9-October 28, 2009

**ADULTS:
19-Up**

Character Stretch

Class Size: 5 min, 10 max
Tuition: Members \$80, Non-Members \$95
Meets: 5:15-6:30 Mondays
September 7-October 26, 2009

Curriculum

Winter

Spring

Scene Study <i>Script-derived Acting Skills</i> Actors learn to make dynamic choices with partnered scene work. Includes memorization & between-class homework. Open-house for family on last day of class	Improvisation <i>Ensemble Acting Skills</i> Builds stage presence and off-the-cuff creativity through theatre games. Good attendance is essential. Open-house for family on last day of class.
Creative Dramatics with Stories Class Size: 5 min, 10 max Tuition: Members \$55, Non-Members \$70 Meets 5:15-6:30 Mondays January 4-February 22, 2010	Creative Dramatics Games Class Size: 5 min, 10 max Tuition: Members \$55, Non-Members \$70 Meets 5:15-6:30 Mondays March 22-May 10, 2010
See, Saw, Scene Class Size: 5 min, 10 max Tuition: Members \$80, Non-Members \$95 Meets: 4:30-6:30 Tuesdays January 5-February 23, 2010	"Play"-ing Class Size: 5 min, 10 max Tuition: Members \$80, Non-Members \$95 Meets: 4:30-6:30 Tuesdays March 23-May 11, 2010
Sealing (not stealing) the Scene Class Size: 5 min, 10 max Tuition: Members \$80, Non-Members \$95 Meets: 4:30-6:30 Tuesdays January 5-February 23, 2010	Easier Done Than Read Class Size: 5 min, 10 max Tuition: Members \$80, Non-Members \$95 Meets: 4:30-6:30 Tuesdays March 23-May 11, 2010
Been There, Scene That Class Size: 5 min, 10 max Tuition: Members \$80, Non-Members \$95 Meets: 4:30-6:30 Wednesdays January 6-February 24, 2010	Life, Comedy, Acting Class Size: 5 min, 10 max Tuition: Members \$80, Non-Members \$95 Meets: 4:30-6:30 Wednesdays March 24-May 12, 2010
Scenes for all Seasons Class Size: 5 min, 10 max Tuition: Members \$80, Non-Members \$95 Meets: 5:15-6:30 Mondays January 4-February 22, 2010	Impromptu Play Action Class Size: 5 min, 10 max Tuition: Members \$80, Non-Members \$95 Meets: 5:15-6:30 Mondays March 22-May 10, 2010

Classes for Pre-K through 1st Grade on Next Page!

Pre-K to 1st Grade Classes



TCTA offers a special Creative Dramatics and Story Dramas class designed especially for children ages pre-school through 1st grade!

Choose one session...or all three!
Each session is \$55.00 for members and \$70 for non-members.

Classes held Thursdays 5:30-6:30 pm

Session 1: September 10-October 29, 2009

Session 2: January 7-February 25, 2010

Session 3: March 25-May 13, 2010



Academy Kids!

'They put the "A" in TCTA!'



Performance Classes
for Grades 3 through Adult

The logo for 'Stepping Stones' features the words 'stepping stones' in a black, rounded, handwritten-style font. The text is centered over a graphic of five stylized human figures, each represented by a simple outline of a head and a body, arranged in a staggered, ascending pattern from left to right.

stepping stones

Complete all of the stepping stones classes and be eligible to enroll in our performance classes!



**The
Civic
Players**

Each performance class/troupe will select a one-act script on the first day of class with the instructor. Each student will receive a part in the show to be rehearsed throughout the course and performed on the last day. The performance class focuses on the process and each will have minimal production support (lights, costumes, set). Share days are free to friends, family and the public.

Peanut Butter Players

To enroll:	Student must have completed all stepping stones for grades 2-3.
Fall Term:	September 8-November 10, 2009
Winter Term:	January 5-March 9, 2010
Spring Term:	March 23-May 25, 2010
Time:	Tuesday 4:30-6:30
Cost:	Members \$100.00 Non-Members \$115.00



After School Players

To enroll:	Student must have completed all stepping stones for grades 4-5.
Fall Term:	September 9-November 11, 2009
Winter Term:	January 6-March 10, 2010
Spring Term:	March 24-May 26, 2010
Time:	Wednesday 4:30-6:30
Cost:	Members \$100.00 Non-Members \$115.00



Prime Time Players

To enroll: Student must have completed all stepping stones for grades 6-7 or 8-12.
Fall Term: September 10-November 12, 2009
Winter Term: January 7-March 11, 2010
Spring Term: March 25-May 27, 2010
Time: Thursday 4:30-6:30
Cost: Members \$100.00 Non-Members \$115.00
Instructor: Jennifer Van Bruggen



Prime Time Players



The Civic Players

To enroll: Student must have completed all stepping stones for grades 8-12 or adult classes.

Fall Term: September 11-November 13, 2009

Winter Term: January 8-March 12, 2010

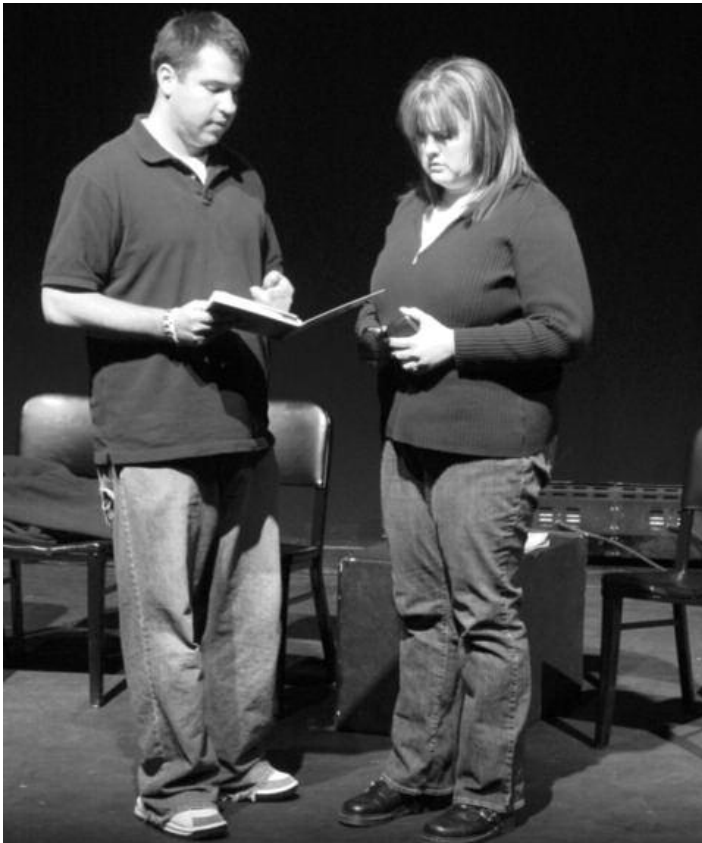
Spring Term: March 26-May 28, 2010

Time: Friday 4:30-6:30

Cost: Members \$100.00 Non-Members \$115.00

*Dates & times may change at instructor and student discretion.

The Civic Players



Youth Production Classes

Youth Production classes are open to students age 6 to 18. Some productions may only be available to older students. This is decided on a show by show basis and will be communicated prior to the audition date.

Unlike the performance troupes, the Youth Production classes require students to audition and not all who audition will receive a part. We spend anywhere from 60 to 80 hours rehearsing for a youth production. Depending on the length of the script, Youth Production classes may rehearse anywhere from 3 to 5 days a week, mostly in the evenings for approximately two hours each time. Rehearsal schedules are set by the director at the time of auditions.

Although Youth Production classes focus intently on the process, final performances are fully supported productions with costumes, lights, sound and sometimes an orchestra. Tickets are sold to these performances.

Scripts for each Youth Production class are available one month prior to the audition date for each respective production. Scripts may be checked out for three business days from the box office for a \$10.00 deposit which will be returned upon receipt of the script.

If a student is cast in a Youth Production class, there is a fee to participate. The fee is \$95.00 for non-members and \$80.00 for members.

Director of Education

Our highly trained TCT Academy instructors are led by Education Director Jennifer Van Bruggen. Jennifer has been the Education Director for TCTA since August of 2002. She has her undergraduate degree in theatre from Sterling College and a Masters in Theatre from KU where she taught Improvisation and Intro to Theatre. She also directed for the 2002-2003 University theatre season. Jennifer has been acting and directing with community theatres throughout the state of Kansas since 1987. She has directed over 25 youth productions in the TCT Academy.



Ages 12+ Spotlight Workshops



Fall 2009-Dancing in Musical Theatre

Join TCTA stage veteran performer and choreographer Kayla Supon Carter as she does a special workshop on Dancing in Musical Theatre! All students ages 12 and up are welcome.

Instructor - Kayla Supon Carter

Meets: October 10, 2009

Time: 9:30am-12:30pm

Cost: \$30.00



Fall 2009-Improvisational Acting

Whether you want to perform on stage or not, improv acting skills are important. In this class taught by TCT Academy Alumni and Kansas City Improv Actor and Teacher, Jennifer Honeycutt, students will learn to listen, think, and talk at the same time! All students ages 12 and up are welcome.

Instructor - Jennifer Honeycutt

Meets: October 17, 2009

Time: 9:30am-12:30pm

Cost: \$30.00

TCTA Volunteers who spend at least 100 hours volunteering during the season receive 1/2 off enrollment! Call the box office for details! (785) 357-5211.

2009-2010 SEASON

• MAINSTAGE •

Be My Baby (comedy)

September 12 - October 3, 2009

Black Coffee (mystery)

October 23 - November 7, 2009

It's a Wonderful Life (musical)

November 27 - December 20, 2009

Youth Roles Available! Auditions October 3 & 4, 2009

Nobody's Perfect (comedy)

January 15 - February 6, 2010

Curtains (musical)

March 5 - April 3, 2010

Taming of the Shrew (comedy)

April 23 - May 8, 2010

Laughter on the 23rd Floor (comedy)

May 28 - June 19, 2010

Fiddler on the Roof (musical)

July 16 - August 14, 2010

• STUDIO SERIES •

Evil Dead: the Musical (musical)

October 9 - 31, 2009

Twilight of the Golds (drama)

February 19 - February 28, 2010

The Pursuit of Happiness (comedy)

June 25 - July 3, 2010

• YOUTH ACADEMY SHOWS •

Sideways Stories from Wayside School (play)

November 13 - 22, 2009

Youth Roles Available! Auditions September 28, 2009

The Country of the Blind (play)

April 9 - 18, 2010

Youth Roles Available! Auditions February 22, 2010

Willy Wonka, Jr. (musical)

August 13 - 22, 2010

Youth Roles Available! Auditions June 7, 2010

• THEATRE FOR YOUNG AUDIENCES •

A Winnie the Pooh Christmas Tail (musical)

December 11 - 20, 2009

Seussical TYA (musical)

May 14 - 23, 2010

We reserve the right to change productions or production dates subject to availability.

Call the box office (785) 357-5211 or visit
TopekaCivicTheatre.com for more information.

To Register

Detach the registration form.

Complete the entire form.

Send form and payment to:

Topeka Civic Theatre & Academy
Attn: TCTA Class Registration
3028 SW 8th Ave
Topeka, KS 66606

or bring the completed form and payment to our box office:

Topeka Civic Theatre & Academy
8th & Oakley

A separate registration form is required for each participant.

Questions???

For information regarding registrations:

TCTA Box Office (785) 357-5211

For information regarding classes:

Education Director Jennifer Van Bruggen (785) 357-5213

General Information

All Classes are held at Topeka Civic Theatre & Academy- 8th & Oakley

No visitors are allowed in the classroom. Students feel more confident making creative choices without an audience. If a parent has a specific concern, call the Education Director to arrange for a class observation. TCTA cannot assume responsibility for any un-enrolled child accompanying a student to class.

Scholarships: TCTA has a limited amount of partial scholarships available for families who can verify financial need. Contact the TCTA Box Office for more information.

Because of the launch of our new Stepping Stones program, some past students may be eligible to start in a more advanced area of our program. Those students wishing to be considered at an accelerated level should contact the Director of Education. Determination will be made on a case by case basis.

Cancellation/Refunds

TCTA reserves the right to cancel any class: Any class with less than minimum enrollment may be cancelled with notice. Early registration helps avoid disappointment due to cancellation of classes. A full refund is given to any student enrolled if TCTA cancels a course for any reason.

If a student drops a class after the session has begun, the refund amount will be decided at the discretion of the Director of Education.

No refund will be given: 1. For classes cancelled due to inclement weather, instead a make-up class will be scheduled. 2. For individual classes missed by a student.

Registration Form



Responsible Party _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Student Name _____

Student's Date of Birth ____/____/____

Grade: _____

Please enroll my student in:

Class Title	Term	Day	Dates	Time	Tuition

Full payment is due at time of enrollment.

For partial payment and scholarship information, please contact Academy Director, Jennifer Van Bruggen by phone at (785) 357-5213 or by e-mail at Jennifer@TopekaCivicTheatre.com

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Method of Payment: (circle one)

Visa MC Discover AmEx Check

Card# _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Exp. Date ____/____/____ CVV# _____



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