



ACT Summer Workshops for Children & Teens

Each summer, Altoona Community Theatre offers workshops for children and teens to help them build self-expression, self-confidence and concentration skills through theatre games and improvisational exercises. Students also get an understanding of what it takes to stage a live theatrical show (from auditions through performance) by preparing a short play for family and friends. Basic theatre terminology is taught, as well as the legacy behind Altoona's historic Mishler Theatre.

Class size is limited to allow for maximum participation by the students. All classes are conducted in the Barbara Titelman Spessard Rehearsal Hall of ACT's operational headquarters located in downtown Altoona at 1213 12th Street. The Parents Night performances are presented at the Mishler, enabling students to benefit from the valuable experience of performing on the century-old stage.

Returning to teach ACT's 2009 Summer Workshops are ...

JULIE SETTLE is a former student of ACT's summer workshops who received her Bachelor of Arts in Theatre from Indiana University of PA, where she was a performance major and also worked as an acting counselor and juggling instructor for *Footlight Players*. She also has worked at *Limelight Productions*, a professional children's theatre in Arizona. Her most recent ACT roles include Meg in "*Leading Ladies*" and Susan in "*Company*." Julie appeared as Babe in Tyrone Community Players' "*Crimes of the Heart*." She also has directed ACT's "*Miss Nelson is Missing*" and "*Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse*." Julie works as a Teachers Assistant for Blair County Head Start.

RACHEL VOLPE is a former student of ACT's summer workshops who received her Bachelor of Arts in Theatre from University of Pittsburgh. She has received accolades for her leading performances in both musicals like "*The Last 5 Years*" and "*Thoroughly Modern Millie*" and dramas like "*Wit*." Rachel also has performed with P&J Productions and has been featured at Cresson Lake Playhouse in such shows as "*Grease*" and "*My Favorite Year*." Rachel works as a Therapeutic Support Staff member for Blair Family Solutions.

GINA VOLPE is a former student of ACT's summer workshops who has grown up at ACT since first singing in the children's chorus of "*Evita*" in 1997. Other ACT credits include the leading role of Esther Smith in "*Meet Me in St. Louis*," Audrey in "*Leading Ladies*," Ruth in "*Thoroughly Modern Millie*," a Silly Girl in "*Beauty & the Beast*" and the ensemble of "*Urinetown*." Gina is employed as a Classroom Support Specialist for Blair County Head Start.

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GRADES K, 1 and 2

WORKSHOP K-1 * June 15 to 19 -- 9 a.m. to Noon
Instructor: Julie Settle (*Parents Show and Lunch Friday, June 19, at 11:00 a.m.*)

WORKSHOP K-2 * June 22 to 26 -- 9 a.m. to Noon
Instructor: Gina Volpe (*Parents Show and Lunch Friday, June 26, at 11:00 a.m.*)

WORKSHOP K-3 * June 29 to July 3 -- 9 a.m. to Noon
Instructor: Gina Volpe (*Parents Show & Lunch Friday, July 3,, at 11:00 a.m.*)

WORKSHOP K-4 * July 20 to 24 -- 9 a.m. to Noon
Instructor: Julie Settle (*Parents Show & Lunch Friday, July 24, at 11 a.m.*)

WORKSHOP K-5 * July 27 to 31 -- 9 a.m. to Noon
Instructor: Rachel Volpe (*Parents Show & Lunch Friday, July 31, at 11 a.m.*)

GRADES 3, 4 and 5

WORKSHOP A-1 * June 22 to July 3 -- 1 to 4 p.m.
Instructor: Julie Settle (*Parents Night Thursday, June 2, at 7 p.m.*)

WORKSHOP A-2 * July 6 to 17 -- 9 a.m. to Noon
Instructor: Julie Settle (*Parents Night Thursday, July 16, at 7 p.m.*)

WORKSHOP A-3 * July 20 to 31 -- 1 to 4 p.m.
Instructor: Gina Volpe (*Parents Night Thursday, July 30, at 7 p.m.*)

WORKSHOP A-4 * August 3 to 14 -- 1 to 4 p.m.
Instructor: Gina Volpe (*Parents Night Thursday, August 13, at 7 p.m.*)

GRADES 6, 7 and 8

WORKSHOP B-1 * July 6 to 17 -- 1 to 4 p.m.
Instructor: Rachel Volpe (*Parents Night Thursday, June 26, at 7 p.m.*)

WORKSHOP B-2 * August 3 to 14 -- 9 a.m. to Noon
Instructor: Rachel Volpe (*Parents Night Thursday, August 13, at 7 p.m.*)

GRADES 9, 10, 11 and 12

WORKSHOP C-1 * July 20 to 31 -- 6 to 9 p.m.
Instructor: Rachel Volpe (*Parents Night Thursday, July 30, at 7 p.m.*)

2009 WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

\$ 60.00 -- "K" LEVEL WORKSHOPS

\$ 125.00 -- ALL OTHER WORKSHOPS

For families enrolling more than one child, additional siblings are discounted to \$50 for "K" level and \$100 for all other workshops

- * Grade level is the grade the child will enter in September 2009.
- * Students must be available for all sessions in the workshop. Please do not register your child if they have any conflicts.
- * Early registration is advised, as classes tend to fill quickly.

Student Name _____

Workshop _____ Age _____ Grade _____

Parents _____

Phone (home) _____ (cell or work) _____

Street Address _____

City-State-Zip _____

E-Mail _____

PAYMENT IS REQUIRED WITH REGISTRATION
a \$25 fee will be deducted from registrations canceled up to 2 weeks prior to the start of class & \$50 thereafter

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Signature _____

send form and payment to: ACT, P.O. BOX 908, ALTOONA, PA 16603

please copy and fill out a separate form for each student