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Bristol Valley Theater's 2017 Apprentice Program

TWO SESSIONS! July 17 – August 5 AND August 7 – August 26.

In order to include more students and to include students who may not have 6 weeks to dedicate to the program, our Apprentice program is comprised of two separate 3-week sessions. Take one or take both. As always the program is taught by BVT professionals and guest artists. Learn about acting, movement, scene work, technical theater, sight specific theater and more!

AUDITIONS are required. Auditions will be held May 6 at 3 p.m. at the theater at 151 South Main Street. Please watch our website or facebook page for any further information. You may do a short memorized piece or read from a script. Please bring the completed apprentice application with you to the audition. If this date does not work for you, it is possible to arrange a private audition by calling Karin at 585 374 9032. If you have already participated in the program, an audition is not required but you should contact Karin at the Office by June 1 to express interest in participating again, and if so, for which session.

Criteria for enrollment in the program:

- a genuine interest in theater
- audition for the Artistic Director
- willingness on the part of apprentices and parents/guardians to commit to a rigorous schedule
- age requirement: 11-17 years old

Description of the program:

This year the program will meet Monday through Friday from 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. As we approach performance, we may add some morning sessions (10 a.m.- 12 p.m.) as needed.

Apprentices, under the direction of the Apprentice Director, will work on theater games and exercises, improvisation, movement, acting, set construction and costumes and a variety of other activities. Special workshops led by the professionals working on the BVT main stage, may be offered throughout the summer on a variety of topics such as playwrighting, stage dialects, dance etc. Apprentices will create and perform their own play, which they will perform on the Saturday following the final class (August 5 and August 26). ***This will be the only performance in each session this year.*** Apprentices will also have the opportunity to attend matinee performances of the main stage productions (when appropriate) and have talk back sessions with the professional actors.

Tuition is \$200 for a three week program. Students attending both sessions receive a discounted tuition of \$100 for the second session. Tuition covers the cost of everything from the Apprentice Director's salary to expenses for the play including costumes, set, royalties, and scripts.

Apprentice Program Overview revised 3/25/09

If you have a child who would like to participate but cannot afford full tuition, partial scholarships are available—see details below.

For an application:

- Call: BVT's administrative office at 585-374-9032
- Write to: P.O. Box 218, Naples, NY 14512
- E-mail to: bvt@bvtnaples.org

Return your application in person or mail to:

Bristol Valley Theater,
Attn-Apprentice Program
P.O. Box 218,
Naples, NY 14512

General information:

Bristol Valley Theater's Apprentice Program is designed to give individuals interested in theater an overview of the entire process of producing a play from as many different perspectives as possible. This format is provided to reinforce the concept of theater as a collaborative art form.

Enrollment in the Apprentice Program is limited so that each candidate can receive individual attention and fulfill his or her own personal goals.

Attendance is required on all class dates, rehearsals and performances, except in the case of serious illness or personal emergencies. All conflicts must be cleared through the program coordinator prior to the start of the Apprentice Program. It is important that parents and students understand that missing sessions not only effects a student's experience of the program, but because theater is a team activity, one child's absence effects the experience of all the apprentices. Students and parents alike are asked to honor a commitment to the program and make attendance at all sessions a top priority.

Other important information:

Tuition payment:

Once apprentices are accepted into the program, tuition is due by June 23. Scholarship requests (based on financial need) will be handled on a case-by-case basis. In order to evaluate and award scholarships fairly, we are asking that parents complete a scholarship request form (attached). **These scholarship requests must be returned by June 12** to Karin Bowersock, Exec. Artistic Director, Bristol Valley Theater, PO Box 218, Naples, NY 14512.

Important Dates:

Monday, June 12
Friday, June 16
Friday, June 23
Monday, July 17
Saturday, August 5
Monday August 7
Saturday August 26

Applications for Tuition Scholarships must be received by this date
Scholarship recipients will be notified.
Tuition due
Session One begins
Session One Performance
Session Two begins
Session Two Performance

**Bristol Valley Theater
2017 Apprentice Program
Scholarship Application**

Student's Name:

Parent/Guardian Name:

Parent/Guardian phone numbers	Day
	Evening

TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENTS/GUARDIAN:

Tuition for the program is \$200 for one session and \$300 for both sessions. Scholarships are available in the amount of \$50, \$100, and \$150 for a single session and \$50, \$100, \$150 and \$200 for a student attending both session

Please list the amount of assistance you are requesting \$_____.

Please list the # of sessions your student is attending.

Please briefly describe the nature of your need:

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENT:

Please write one paragraph about why you want to be a part of the Apprentice Program, and what you hope to get out of a summer as a BVT Apprentice