



THE 2023 MIDDLE LEVEL SUMMER ARTS INTENSIVE PRODUCTION OF...



Enjoy summer in *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* Middle school students enrolled in this three and one half week musical theatre intensive will study acting, dance, and voice, as well as help craft scenery, costumes, and props to be used in the production. ***Everyone will be cast as a singer, dancer and/or actor.***

Based on the original Broadway production that ran for over thirteen years and was nominated for nine Tony Awards, and the Academy Award-winning motion picture, *Disney's Beauty and the Beast JR.* is a fantastic adaptation of the story of transformation and tolerance.

The classic story tells of Belle, a young woman in a provincial town, and the Beast, who is really a young prince trapped under the spell of an enchantress. If the Beast can learn to love and be loved, the curse will end and he will be transformed to his former self. But time is running out. If the Beast does not learn his lesson soon, he and his household will be doomed for all eternity.

Beauty and the Beast Jr. is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International (MTI)

PROGRAM INFORMATION

WHO: Open to students who will have completed grades 5-8 at the end of the 2022/2023 school year. Everyone is welcome! This experience is not exclusive to young artists of the West Fargo School District.

ASSIGNING OF ROLES: There are no auditions to participate, however an audition process will be used to assign roles. Auditions and the assignment of parts will take place at Sheyenne High School (800 40th Avenue East, West Fargo). Audition and callbacks for role assignments dates will be sent to all registered participants *For the audition, students will learn a pre-selected song cutting from the show. Participants will also be taught a dance as part of the audition process. No prep necessary!*

PROGRAM DATES: May 31 – June 23, 2023.

PARENT/STUDENT INFO MEETING: This meeting is required for both students and at least one parent/guardian. Meeting date will be in May and the exact date will be emailed to all participants once set.

REGISTRATION: The program will be filled on a first come, first served basis. A waiting list will be available if interest warrants. To register, complete the 2023 Summer Arts application form and mail it with your payment to the address listed on the form. Forms are available at Summer Arts Intensive website.

<https://www.summerartsintensive.com/>

PARTICIPATION FEES: \$350 for their participation in Summer Arts Intensive, which includes a souvenir script and t-shirt. Payment information will be emailed to registered participants. *Flexible payment plans and tuition scholarships may be available upon request and on a per need basis. Please contact Kerry Horst at wfssummerarts@gmail.com to inquire.*

LOCATION: Sheyenne High School, 800 40th Avenue East, West Fargo

TIMES: Monday–Friday, 9:00 am–4:00 pm

PERFORMANCES: June 21 & 22 at 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm; Strike & Production Party June 23.

LUNCH/SNACK: Students are responsible for bringing their own lunch, snack, and beverages daily.

ABOUT SUMMER ARTS INTENSIVE

SUMMER ARTS INTENSIVE is led by local arts educators and professionals committed to focused, individualized training. These Theatre Arts experiences are designed for young artists who want to stretch their personal and creative talents while gaining an understanding of theatre production and performance.

Now in its THIRTEENTH year, previous SUMMER ARTS INTENSIVE shows include: PIPPIN (2011), A CHORUS LINE (2012), CHICAGO (2013), ONCE ON THIS ISLAND JR. and SPAMALOT (2014), SHREK JR. and RENT (2015), HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL JR. and HAIR (2016), WILLY WONKA JR. and GREASE (2017), PETER PAN JR. and NEWSIES (2018), THE LION KING JR and LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS(2019), THE LITTLE MERMAID JR and FOOTLOOSE (2020), and GUYS AND DOLLS, JR and SHREK (2021), ALADDIN, JR. and SOMETHING ROTTEN (2022).

SUMMER ARTS INTENSIVE is a perfect way to be involved in a rewarding, artistic endeavor while still enjoying the many other activities that summer brings. Our programs make it possible for participants and their families to have both art and summer!