

JLPA Presents



Registration Overview Process & Payment Information 2011-2012

We are very excited to announce that we are now accepting registration for JLPA's production of Disney's Aristocats Kids! Children in the production will begin rehearsals in late October 2011, and perform in June of 2012. There will be **5 shows and 2 casts**, and our cast will be limited to 60 children. All RSD13 children, grades 1-8, are invited to participate in the registration process. We have outlined many aspects of participating in the JLPA drama production. Some are the same as last year, while others have changed. Please read the following information carefully.

Performance at John Lyman

We will be rehearsing and performing our show at John Lyman Elementary in 2011-2012. CRHS is not available to us. We will limit our cast to **60 children** due to space restrictions at John Lyman. For the 2012-2013 school year, CRHS will be available to us again, and the cast will be larger.

Cost is \$150.00 per child

The cost for participation for each child is **\$150.00**, and this activity will last most of the school year. There is no reduced rate for siblings in the production. The fee will offset the cost of playbill printing, lighting, sets, mics, mixers, props, custodial fees, etc. We will collect payment in three increments.

- \$50.00 **check payable to JLPA** and mailed in with Registration Materials in September – *no cash accepted*
- \$50.00 due at November 4th 2011 rehearsal, cash or check
- \$50.00 due at January 6th 2012 rehearsal, cash or check

Refunds for Cast Members

Prior to Script Distribution: If you decide to not participate by September 29th you will receive a full refund of payment you have made.

Post Script Distribution: All payments on and after September 30th are non-refundable.

Registration is First Come, First Serve

We will accept registration materials on a first come first serve basis by post mark date. ***The first 60 complete Registration Packets with payment*** that Heather receives will become part of the Aristocats Kids cast. After we receive 60 registrations, registration will be closed. The following forms are part of this e-distribution notice that you will print, complete and mail. Parents should include the following 5 items and mail them to Heather McCutchen Kannam:



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Complete Registration Packet Materials & Payment:

Complete and Mail to: Heather McCutchen Kannam, 25 Sand Hill Road, Durham, CT 06422

1. Student Information & Parent Volunteer Form
2. Emergency Contact and Bus Form
3. Audition Form
4. Student & Parent Agreement Form
5. \$50.00 Initial Payment

We will notify parents via e-mail on September 21th whether or not their Registration was one of the first 60 received. If your Registration is not one of the first 60, then we will return your Registration packet and un-cashed check to your child's teacher after auditions are completed. If your Registration is one of the first 60, you will pick up your script and sign-up for an audition time on September 30th, 2011.

Rehearsals

Weekly Rehearsals - Rehearsals are every Friday at John Lyman. Thursdays are the standing make-up day. On a Friday when there is no school or there is an early dismissal, the automatic make-up date for that rehearsal will be the following Thursday. On Fridays when there is a delayed opening, there is still rehearsal that day. Please note, there may be some occasions when students will rehearse on both Thursday and Friday of any given week. Please also note that not all cast members will rehearse each week, and we will provide you with a rehearsal schedule at the start of each month.

Performances

There will be five performances and two casts (two Maries, two O'Malleys, etc.). A cast member's Main Show is the show in which a child has been casted to perform a particular part. A cast members' Chorus Show is the show in which a child has not been casted to perform a particular part, but will be part of a chorus.

Parent Volunteering Requirement

Doing a production is such a wonderful and rewarding experience, and we are excited to share this with you and your children. To make the children's experience a success, we are requiring that an adult from each family work/volunteer at least *two of the five performances, OR one performance and the cast party*. *Parents who are Committee Chairs will not be required to work any of the shows or the cast party*. If your child is participating in the production, please be sure to keep the show and cast party dates open. We will create a volunteer schedule that will ensure that you are not volunteering during your child's performances (unless you request this). We will also try very hard to place siblings in the same cast.



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Parent-Student Agreement

Lastly, we are requiring students and parents to sign an *Aristocats Parent-Student Agreement* to help everyone understand the commitment involved in participating in the Aristocats Kids drama production.

If you have any questions, please let us know.

Best Regards,

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