

# DISCOVER ARTS WORKSHOPS



**juniorplayers**

*transforming kids' lives through the arts*

## Arts Education Workshops! 2018-2019

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**Junior Players provides after-school & school day workshops at recreation centers, elementary, middle & high schools in need of alternative after-school and day programming. All of our classes are taught by professionals in their respective fields. Program content will be modified for respective grade levels.**

**Classes are 1 hour sessions, with a maximum of 25 students unless noted. We recommend booking a minimum of ten sessions. Session prices include supply costs.**

Classes correlate to various subjects in school including Reading, Multi-Cultural Studies, Writing, P.E., and Language Arts. 21st CCLC & Arts Partners Provider.

**DISCOVER AFRICA:** Students explore Africa through African Stories, African Dance, & African Drumming.

**DISCOVER ART:** Students explore the different mediums as well as exposure to art history and its influences. (Mediums include: Painting, Drawing, Sculpture, Mural, Mixed Media) .

**DISCOVER THEATER:** Lead by a professional actor/actress, students will learn basic skills in theatre arts, emphasizing oral communication skills. Specializations include improvisation, movie making, & stage combat.

**DISCOVER DANCE:** Students learn basic steps that are used towards creating dances. Choose from ballet, modern, jazz, hip-hop, ballet-folklorico, flamenco & tap. (Limited availability for tap & flamenco) \$85 a class session. \$115 a session for TAP Only. **(Tap & Ballet classes must book a minimum of 12 sessions to receive dance shoes)**

**VISIONS OF COMMUNITY:** Through the lens of a camera students learn to explore the concepts of non-violent communication, creative problem solving skills, "talk it out", work out anger safely and "cool off". **This class allows a maximum of 15 students.**

**DISCOVER CREATIVE WRITING:** Students experiment with numerous writing exercises to release the creative voice. Students may work on poetry, playwriting, spoken word and short story.

**DISCOVER MODELING:** Students learn basic skills in fashion including poise, etiquette, photography and nutrition. Emphasis is placed on personal development and self esteem. A great class for boys too!

**DISCOVER MUSICAL THEATER:** Various eras of catchy songs and dances from musical theater masterpieces, both classic and contemporary, are introduced and explored

**DISCOVER SHAKESPEARE:** Erase the fear of Shakespeare from your students! Through various theater, vocal and movement games and exercises, students will see the works of the Bard in a new light while putting together a short piece from one of his famous works!

**DISCOVER PHOTOGRAPHY:** Cultivate young artists through digital photographic projects. This class emphasizes learning through and engagement in both observing art & making it. Students will use their environment & writing exercises to create their artistic pieces of work. **This class allows a maximum of 15 students.**

**DISCOVER PERCUSSION:** Bring the hands-on excitement of a drum circle to your site. World-class percussionist Mark Shelton provides drums, shakers, bells, and blocks for all participants. Students will enjoy that instant-music excitement when the whole group finds a groove while learning basic information about improvisation. Ages 7+.



Proudly offers low priced  
**FINE ARTS PERFORMANCES!**



### **African Griot Performance**

One of Junior Players' Griot Storytellers will entertain and educate students on African culture through the telling of stories, folktales and drumming of Africa.

*Performance material varies based on the grade level.*

### **Hoopla! Healthy Songs, Happy Kids!**

Lizza provides your students with an interactive, one-of-a-kind experience! Learn through fun sing-alongs, instrument play and dance. Lizza is available for concerts, schools, libraries, museums, enrichment programs, special events and more. Her album Hoopla! Healthy Songs, Happy Kids! Is comprised of 13 original songs promoting healthy lifestyle and nutrition, physical activity and positive self-esteem.

*Performance material varies based on the grade level.*



### **Creative Spoken Word Performance**

A Junior Players artist will perform the art of spoken word. Spoken word performances focus on words, the dynamics of tone, gestures & facial expressions.

*Performance material varies based on the grade level.*

### **Flamenco Dance Performance**

A variety of Flamenco dances available for performance! Students will be exposed to a dance performance by a professional company. Flamenco combines elements of Spain's culture, history, folklore with rhythm and body movement.

*Performance material varies based on the grade level. Limited availability .*



### **Strike, Scrape & Shake**

Entertaining and Educational! Mark Shelton treats students to high energy performances on several members of the percussion family. Students get into the act with a little hambonin' body music as Mark discusses the history of percussion. Instruments include Cajon, Hammered Dulcimer, Cymbals, Electronic Percussion, Handpan, & more.

Lots of sound & variety!

### **The Sing-Along Cowboy**

Bob Ackerman, also known as the Sing Along Cowboy provides a fun and interactive performance featuring classic country western songs! His performance will combine songs that are suitable for all age groups with different versions of songs to accommodate any age level. His performance is highly educational and popular at public schools in the Dallas area and features both a musical Texas History Show as well as a tribute to the great African American musicians.

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Please call the Junior Players office for more information!

## Special Arts Education Programs for Grades K - 12

### **Building Connections to the Real World**

This program will instruct the students in both the fine and applied arts, to not only meet academic goals but also to provide a career focus. Junior Players' arts education programs are designed to improve student academic achievement and to especially help at risk students who might otherwise not have the opportunities for arts education programs. In this program Junior Players

will use multiple disciplines such as theater, film, multi-media design, visual art, photography and writing to engage the students in learning new skills. There will be an emphasis on communication and conflict resolution in each class. The students will be provided with a writing journal and writing will be required in these classes. This program includes a variety of classes including fashion design, photography, film, multi-media design, visual art, dance, theater and modeling. These programs help the students explore their creativity, enhance their critical thinking skills, and develop their communication skills as they engage in an exciting and structured environment. Examples of our specific projects within the program guidelines include working on

visual arts projects with a specific focus on fashion design in the fashion design class, learning to create sales copy and marketing pitches as they develop a script for the class to present at the end of the program in the creative writing class and producing a short film that was conceptualized, developed, edited and filmed by students in the film program. All programs have lesson plans and learning objectives based on the TEKS. Junior Players' teaching artists are trained in their specific arts field(s). They are recruited from the professional arts community and are screened by our programmatic personnel. Teaching artists for this program must undergo a series of professional development trainings that are tailored to this specific program.

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### **Discover Life Skills**

This course will use arts enrichment programs to teach students writing, communication skills and conflict resolution techniques. Students will learn to write a resume and will extemporize job interviews as well as keep daily journals.

Students will learn conflict resolution through role-play and will work on a class project demonstrating the skills they have learned. During the course of this program, students will create peer driven conversations as they get to know each other through silent communication activities, partner interviews and conflict resolution role-play scenarios.

Ongoing lessons will focus on career exploration opportunities. They will also focus on the skills needed to be a viable applicant for future employers. The lessons will continue to emphasize interviews for a variety of real life settings and conflict resolution role-play for professional work related scenarios. During the final week(s) of this program, students will work on creating a final self-promotion video highlighting their skills, strengths, abilities and future career aspirations. All programs have lesson plans and learning objectives based on the TEKS. Junior Players' teaching artists are trained in their specific arts field(s). They are recruited from the professional arts community and are screened by our programmatic personnel. Teaching artists for this program must undergo a series of professional development trainings that are tailored to this specific program and must follow the Life Skills Curriculum.

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### **Homeless Education Program**

This program is a collaboration between Junior Players and the Homeless Education Program. The goal of the Homeless Education Program (HEP) is to provide services that establish stability for children and youth in transition in order to succeed in school. To assure homeless students maintain grade level during periods of transition and to boost State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR) scores, the Homeless Education Program collaborates with Junior Players to provide after school and school holiday programming through two master teaching artists. Our master theater arts workshops focus on engaging students through storytelling, learning theater skills and concepts in theater emphasizing oral communication skills. These classes use theater and storytelling to educate, enlighten, empower, and entertain. Our master Sing-Along Cowboy program provides a fun and interactive performance and workshop setting featuring classic country western songs and history. This program combines songs that are suitable for all age groups with different versions of songs to accommodate any age level. This program is highly educational and popular at public schools in the Dallas area and features both a musical Texas History show and workshop combination as well a tribute to the great African American musicians.

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