







Greetings JTF Universe!

The Junior Theater Festival is the one time each year that kids, teachers, directors, parents and Broadway's best come together to proudly let their musical theater freak flags fly.

JTF Atlanta '16 sold out in record time with 115 groups in attendance representing 29 states, the District of Columbia, South Korea, New Zealand and Australia with a total attendance of 5,832 people.

There were another 25 groups who wanted to attend JTF Atlanta '16 but couldn't because we ran out of space. So we're happy to announce the addition of JTF West! Now groups can experience Junior Theater Festival musical mayhem and madness in one of two locations: Atlanta, Georgia or Sacramento, California.

Both festivals will be programed similarly, but like Disney World is slightly different than Disneyland, there will be some variations. For example, JTF West will feature events held in the gorgeous Memorial Auditorium and a full day of programming just for Junior Thespian troupes.

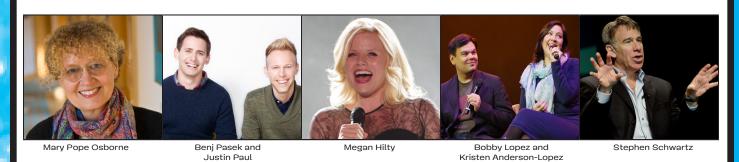
So if you've joined us in the past, I look forward to seeing you in Atlanta or Sacramento for JTF '17.

If you've not experienced the musical theater nirvana that is the Junior Theater Festival, all I can say is, what are you waiting for?

Both JTF Atlanta and JTF West have a limited number of spots available for performing groups, so be sure to register as soon as possible.

Jazz hands up!

Timothy Allen McDonald Executive Director





Key Events Include:

Adjudication

Student groups perform 15 minutes from MTI's Broadway Junior Collection musical for adjudication by leading theater professionals. Groups are rated in the areas of music, acting, dance and overall performance. The adjudicators offer constructive criticism to each group to encourage further learning in key areas.

Workshops for Students and Teachers

Broadway professionals and master teachers from across the country offer interactive workshops! Workshops are for both teachers and students in all aspects of musical theater performance and technical theater.

JTF All-Stars

Selected student performers and student technicians are chosen as festival All-Stars. All-Stars participate in exclusive workshops and are given the opportunity to be a major part of the Freddie G Awards Ceremony.

Choreography DVD Auditions

Selected students are invited to audition for Broadway Junior Resident Choreographer Steven G. Kennedy for future Broadway Junior Choreography DVD shoots!

New Works Showcase

Get a sneak peak at the newest shows soon to be released in the Broadway Junior Collection.

Pathways

A one-of-a-kind mainstage event hosted by Junior Theater Festival creator, Tim McDonald, featuring a discussion with interesting folks from across the theatrical industry about their unique journeys and remarkable accomplishments.

Tech Olympics

Four students from each group compete in this fun, high energy tech obstacle course designed to get everyone pumped up about technical theater!

The Broadway JR. Slam

One of the most anticipated events of the festival! Creative teams and casts are selected at random and have just one hour to rehearse a song and dance for presentation on the main stage!

Freddie G Awards Ceremony

Named in honor of MTI's CEO and Tony Award Honoree Freddie Gershon, the Freddie G Awards Ceremony is a celebration of the weekend's accomplishments. Featuring over 50 different awards, the ceremony also highlights performances by the festival All-Stars and outstanding groups.

And fun, fun, FUN!

The fun begins Friday night with the Director's Reception. Saturday night is the JTF Dance Party, and Sunday night everyone attends a special performance. Add spontaneous student sing-alongs, meeting new friends, and confetti cannons and this is sure to be a weekend your students will *never* forget.



Tentative Schedule of Events

(This tentative schedule is for JTF Atlanta and JTF West. Final Schedules will be sent out prior to the festival you are registered for.)

FRIDAY

Festival Sign-In	10:00AM
Open Studio Rehearsals Begin	2:00PM
New Group Welcome	7:00PM
Director's Reception	8:00PM

SATURDAY

Festival Kick-Off!	8:15AM
Adjudication	8:45AM
Lunch Break	1:00PM
Student and Teacher Workshops	2:30PM - 5:00PM
Choreography DVD Auditions	
Dinner Break	5:00PM
New Works Showcase	8:00PM
JTF Dance Party	9:30PM

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	SUNDAY	
F	Teacher Technical Theater Workshops	9:30AM
	Pathways	
	Broadway JR. Slam Rehearsals	
ľ	Student Tech Olympics	
	Freddie G Teacher Awards Ceremony	11:30AM
	Student Workshops	12:30PM
	Lunch	
	Special JTF Presentation	2:30PM
	Freddie G Student Awards Ceremony	4:00PM
	Dinner Break	5:30PM

Professional Performance



8:00PM

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STUDENT GROUPS

Group Registration Fee - \$675

To register your group for JTF Atlanta or JTF West, return the completed Group Registration Form located in the back of this brochure and the \$675 registration fee to iTheatrics. Want to register your group for both festivals? Please submit a separate registration form and \$675 registration fee for each festival.

Per Person Participation Fee - \$235

Each person who attends JTF must be registered with their group, including directors, students, chaperones and parents. Each festival attendee is required to pay the \$235 per person participation fee. A minimum of 20 participants per group is required (including directors, students, chaperones and parents). Participation fees for JTF Atlanta will be due to iTheatrics by October 15, 2016. Participation fees for JTF West will be due to iTheatrics by November 15, 2016. After those dates, participation fees increase to \$255 per person. You will not be able to register individuals at Festival Sign-In the weekend of the festival. Day passes are not available.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRACK

Per Person Participation Fee - \$350

To register for the Professional Development Track, complete the PD Registration Form located in the back of this brochure and return it to iTheatrics with your \$350 participation fee to experience all JTF has to offer without students.

Participation Fees Include:

- A JTF all-access wristband
- · A festival t-shirt
- Lunch on Saturday and Sunday
- A Souvenir Program
- Special JTF Performances you won't see anywhere else!!!

Participation Fees Do Not Include:

- Transportation
- Meals
- Lodging

Hotel Information

There are official festival hotels in Atlanta and in Sacramento. Rooms in these hotels must be booked directly through the Junior Theater Festival. Priority for official festival hotels will be given to groups based on the order completed registration forms and registration fees are received. You are not required to stay in an official festival hotel.

Official festival hotels in Atlanta are the Waverly Renaissance, the Embassy Suites and Sheraton Suites. Official festival hotels in Sacramento are the Hyatt Regency Sacramento and Sheraton Grand Sacramento Hotel. Specific pricing and other pertinent information will be sent to once your group has been accepted to the festival.

Please note, there is a limited amount of space in these hotels and they do fill up fast. There are many other great hotel options in the general vicinity of both festivals.



Notable Quotes

"We were a bit leery going into the weekend because we are not big fans of competition in the arts and have kept far away from anything that resembled it. It became obvious very quickly that you guys were not about the competition but about nurturing future artists.

Thank you for providing an environment where the kids can receive recognition while in a safe, nurturing atmosphere."

Holly Garmon, The Performer's Warehouse

"I've been to nine festivals and this was my all-time favorite. From the incredible guest stars to the perfect scheduling, the festival was so well-organized and run. Our kids had a blast, and our parents were blown away with the professionalism."





Darren Criss in Concert, JTF 2016

"Thank you for providing an opportunity for our kids to come and celebrate not only what they love, but who they are. I had so many kids come up to me and tell me how much they loved being in a place with so many other kids who were "weird like us." I love seeing our theater kids find "their tribe."

Leigh Ann Cannady, Forsyth Academy of Performing Arts

"Know that the Junior Theater Festival has taken our program and truly transformed and transcended it to another being. The level of enthusiasm, passion and dedication it cultivates and fosters is something I want every student to experience."

Tina Reynolds, Gwendolyn Brooks Middle School

"This event is unlike any other I've experienced – it is a crystallization of so much positive energy I believe it could power a small nation. It is obvious from the stories I heard and the transformations I saw that JTF is profoundly changing people's lives and our own country through art and education one production at a time."

Tessa Derfner, Professional Development



Group Registration

Choose a festival: (circle one)

JTF ATLANTA Atlanta, GA January 13-15, 2017 JTF WEST Sacramento, CA February 10-12, 2017

NAME OF ORGANIZATION:					
PRIMARY CONTACT:					
ORGANIZATION'S STREET ADDRESS:					
CITY:	STATE/PROVINCE:	POSTAL CODE:			
ORGANIZATION'S PHONE #:	CONTACT'S CELL	. PHONE #:			
PRIMARY EMAIL ADDRESS:	ALTERNATE EMAIL	ADDRESS:			
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF STUDENTS ATTENDING: ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CHAPERONES (DIVIDE THE NUMBER ABOVE BY 4):					
ESTIMATED NUMBER OF DIRECTORS	ATTENDING (CANNOT BE CHAPER	RONES): \$675			
ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL PARENTS, R	relatives, friends and family a	TTENDING:			
ESTIMATED TOTAL NUMBER ATTEND	DING (ADD THE NUMBERS ABOVE):				
(NOTE: A minimum of 20 participants i	•				
MULTIPLY THIS NUMBER BY \$235 FO	R THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:				
ADD THE REGISTRATION FEE:					
GRAND TOTAL:					
In order to secure your place at JTF 2017, return this form and the \$675 registration fee to iTheatrics. Please make checks payable to Junior Theater Group. JTF Atlanta: Final numbers and all participation fees are due in full by October 15, 2016. JTF West: Final numbers and all participation fees are due in full by November 15, 2016.					
IF PAYING BY CREDIT CARD:					
Credit Card Number:		Exp:			
Cardholder's Name:	Billing	Zip:			
Amount Authorized to Charge	:: \$675 Securit	y Code:			
Cardholder's Signature:		Date:			

MAIL, EMAIL OR FAX THIS COMPLETED FORM AND YOUR REGISTRATION FEE TO:

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Professional Development Registration

Our **JTF Professional Development Track** is the ideal way to explore, experience and empower yourself to produce a musical theater production with your kids! You will immerse yourself in workshops, adjudications, and discussions while having fun with fellow teachers and directors. We promise to leave you inspired and energized with new strategies and resources.

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Completed Professional Development registrations are due by December 15, 2016.