

Greetings, Everyone!

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In the middle of the chill of this VERY cold winter we have good news. It's news full of tropical seas, Caribbean rhythms, bold colors and sounds, and an unforgettable tale of courage and love. Yes, it's time to announce that this July the core of our July *Theatre & Kids Starlight Summer Performing Arts Camp* will be **DISNEY'S THE LITTLE MERMAID!**

In rolling all of our previous summer activities into one fun-filled ball last year, we were able to accomplish so much in only three short weeks. We had our beloved openings and closings complete with bring in days, games, prize baskets, team building, and freeze pops! We had ten varied electives including favorites like Street Funk, Production Number, Stage Make-Up, Theatre & Kids Idol, and Scene-work. There were All-Camp Demos, Staff-Apprentice Talent Shows, visiting Road Shows, and even our famous Apprentice NYC Trip!

Then there was that glorious production of **The Music Man**... WOW! Almost sixty young people in over 300 period costumes on a grand stage brought the music of Meredith Willson to vivid life: the songs and dances, the sets and staging, the astonishing TALENT. Our two enthusiastic audiences were delighted and so was each performer, from the third graders to the high school seniors. Everyone danced, sang, created characters, and grew in their abilities and experience.

This year we are doing our first T&K Disney show. Who doesn't love the story of lovely Ariel and her journey to become human? What a film! Now imagine all that magic LIVE ON STAGE with eight brand new songs. Mr. L is very familiar with *Little Mermaid* and has the costumes, sets, and props designed already. The featured roles are abundant and slight changes in the story mean that everyone in the cast is on stage a lot.

Sooooo, enclosed you will find our flyer for the summer. We urge you look it over, talk about it with your family, and to sign up soon. Last year we were only two students short of our quota and with the word spreading on the cool plans we've made, spots may fill in quickly. Questions? Send them our way. Suggestions? We're good listeners. Registrations? A delight to our hearts. Oh, and **DO** check out our T&K website with lots of new pictures and information. You can even suggest things for us to post! theatreandkids.org

For over three decades, the Liegels and Theatre & Kids have delighted in providing exciting opportunities for area young people. This summer is going to be much more of the same.

Your friends.

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