

SUMMER CAMP FAQ

What is a SABA Performing Arts Camp?

SABA performing arts camps are three weeks of fun loaded with creativity, that invites young artists to explore their talents and skills as musical theater actors in full-scale, professionally supported productions. Summer theatre camps teach students valuable skills on-stage and off as students build self-confidence, create life-long friends and memories, and take away an amazing education **ALL WHILE HAVING FUN!** Students learn from professionals in the theatre industry as they explore many facets related to staging a successful production, including acting, costuming, directing, dance, vocal performance, and set design. Morning workshops are devoted to the development of performing arts skills, and participating in related artistic experiences in classroom settings, while afternoon sessions are dedicated to rehearsals. Each camp produces 4 professional style performances held at the Murphy Performance Hall where they are open to the public for ticket sales.

Why Performing Arts?

Theatre arts abundantly feeds into the growing process of each child. Albert Einstein once said, "Imagination is more important than knowledge." Just like any other skill, creativity needs to be practiced to develop into the kind of problem-solving ability that is needed in life. Too often, traditional school environments put children into "boxes." Theater allows children to live outside those boxes and be praised for it, and offers a great way for children to "practice" their own creative talents and solve problems using that creativity. Theater education also provides a safe place for children to practice creativity and take personal risks in a venue that celebrates success with every production or performance, and builds self-confidence by allowing children to express themselves to others – whether that is on a stage or in everyday relationships. At SABA, we promote the **POSITIVE** in everything we do and treat each child as a successful individual and help them to achieve whatever goal or dream they have in front of them. Let your child grow their creativity with us this summer at SABA and let their imagination fly as we embark on a magical and memorable journey!



What are the times of the camp sessions?

Camp runs Monday-Friday from 9am-4pm. We do provide families with an early morning drop off beginning at 7:30am and a late pick up ending at 5:30pm (additional charges see below). Mornings are spent in classrooms working on such elements as dance, music, acting, mask making, costuming, and technical theatre, and afternoons are primarily focused on the rehearsal process of the show. The last week of camp focuses on all day technical rehearsals in our performance space, in order to prepare students for the curtain to go up.

How much is tuition and what is involved in it?

Tuition for the 3-week summer camp is \$375. This fee includes all educational supplies/fees, performance fees, most costume fees, and a camp T-shirt. **\$100 of the tuition is a non-refundable deposit (per child) that is due at the time of registration**, and the remaining balance is due by the second day of camp. NO refunds will be given after the 2nd day of camp. *Please see discount breakdowns on pre-registration below.*

Additional Options

DVD (\$20)- a professional videographer films the production for our cast members to purchase. There is no personal or outside videotaping or photography allowed except by our contracted specialist. These are NOT paid through SABA, but to our videographers at the camp meeting or at the show.

Snack Shack (\$15)- SABA opens the snack shack every afternoon at 2pm for students to enjoy a mid-day snack. The cart is stocked with plenty of healthy choices and a "sugary" choices as well. If students do not participate in the snack shack, we encourage them to bring a snack each day.

Take Out Lunches on Wednesdays (\$24)-Students bring their lunch everyday to camp, but once a week, SABA orders take out from familiar places like Chickfila, Subway, Heff's, Papa John's, etc for students to enjoy. This is optional, so students that do not participate in Take Out Lunches need to bring their lunch from home each day.

Early Drop Off and Late Pick Up (\$30 for both or \$15 for one choice per student)- Camp will open each morning at 7:30am and close at 5:30pm for those parents that work a normal business hour day. In order to compensate employees for after hours SABA will be charging a small fee for those students.

Are there any discounts available?

YES! If you pre-register on or before March 17th, you will receive an early bird discount and \$50 on the 3 week camp! SABA also offers a 10% sibling discount, and if you are doing both camp sessions, we offer students a **10% double camp discount**. SABA also had a **limited** amount of scholarships available for half tuition. To request a scholarship application, please call 763-4807 or email: abrooks@sabroadwayacademy.org

What methods of payment do you accept?

Remaining tuition is due no later than the second day of camp. Payment arrangements can be worked out if needed by contacting the office at 763-4807 or email: info@sabroadwayacademy.org. Saba accepts Paypal, Visa, Mastercard, Discover, or check.

Do I have to audition to get a role?

All students signed up for summer camp must go through a placement audition for performance purposes and as an educational tool. Unlike our audition based workshops in the Fall and Spring, **all students enrolled in summer camp are guaranteed a role in the summer musical**. Students will audition for placement the first day of camp.

How do I get ready for auditions?

Auditions at SABA consist of three parts. First students must come prepared to sing 16 bars of music. This can be either a verse or a chorus of a song that the student is familiar with such as a Disney song, something from the radio, musical theatre selections, etc. All vocal auditions will be closed to other students. Students can either sing acapella, with a non-vocal accompanist CD or with sheet music (pianist on site). Students will then learn a short dance together to look at movement, and then they will divide up and read parts of the script aloud in groups. Children younger than 8 will be given improve activities instead of scripts.

Do you do any non-theatre activities while in camp?

WELL OF COURSE! Theatre kids and teachers tend to do some pretty crazy things. Here are a few: Every Wednesday is a "Wacky Wednesday" where we choose a theme and allow kids to dress up. Past days have been duck tape day, nerd day, rock star day, twin day, and pajama day just to name a few. Every Friday we have ice cream Fridays where kids can enjoy cold treats on a hot summer day along with team games such as food relays and our famous WATER PALOOZA GAMES.

