

Directing/Education Apprentices

February and April School Vacation Programs

Charlotte's Web: February 18th-22nd 2019

Jungle Book, Kids: April 15th-19th

Summary of position:

Directing/Education apprentices will work directly with and receive mentorship and training from Artistic Director Joseph C. Walsh as they develop, prepare, plan and implement our February Vacation Program production of Charlotte's Web and April Vacation Program production of Jungle Book, Kids. Apprenticeships will be offered in Directing, Assistant Directing, Choreography and Music Directing. Education and process will be at the center of each of these programs with the final performance being considered a sharing and celebration of work instead of a full production.

Responsibilities:

- Direct, Assistant Direct, Choreograph or Music Direct Charlotte's Web or Jungle Book, Kids.
- Create and submit a detailed concept for production and how you intend to stage the show and fulfill production needs with limited time and resources.
- Cut length of play if necessary
- Create a positive learning experience for every young person involved.
- Engage all young ACTors regardless of role cast in.
- Create and submit a full schedule for each day of programming.
- Create a clear code of conduct and hold young people accountable for their actions.
- Lead a fun, but disciplined rehearsal environment.
- Attend at least two planning meetings with team and Artistic Director in preparation for programs.
- Help children feel comfortable, included, affirmed and safe
- Be a positive role model.
- Be an ambassador for Arlington Children's Theatre and its mission.

Primary learning goals:

- Be able to plan and implement a theatrical educational program with the focus being on process and communication.
- Develop your artistic, creative and educational voice.
- Be able to collaborate with a team of other young theatre artists.
- Engage with young actors and develop your skills in controlling a room and maintaining consistent discipline and working practices.

Qualifications:

- Ability to lead groups of artists in collaboration.
- Ability to work with and lead young actors with a sense of humor
- Previous directing and assistant directing experience.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.
- A love of theatre and/or education.

Education:

This opportunity is open to all High School and College Students as well as early career professionals.
Compensation

A small stipend of \$150.00 will be paid to help offset costs of travel for the week.

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How to apply: Please submit a short letter detailing your experience/suitability for a position and what educational goals you would set for yourself during the process. Directors please also submit a concept for the either show and detail how you would fully engage 25-35 young people in the process and production. Please submit materials to Artistic Director Joseph C. Walsh no later than November 30th, 2018 at josephcwalshact@gmail.com

ABOUT ARLINGTON CHILDREN'S THEATRE

The mission of Arlington Children's Theatre is to embrace, enrich, educate and entertain children and their families, within the Boston area, through its commitment to a unique, quality, theatre program. Established in 1991, Arlington Children's Theatre of Arlington, Massachusetts is a nonprofit organization dedicated to creating positive theatrical experiences for children aged 7 through 18. ACT is an all-volunteer organization, made up of families who wish to have fun and work hard to bring theater to life. We hire theater professionals to teach our workshops and direct our shows. Each show relies on the participation of adult volunteers involved in every aspect of the production: lighting, costumes, make-up, set construction, set crew, etc. Participation in an ACT production is open to any child, from any town, who is willing to work with the directors and fellow actors. No prior theatrical experience is required. For announcements of shows, auditions, workshops and other activities of the ACT, please visit ACT online at <https://act.arlington.ma.us>.