



# SUMMER THEATRE WORKSHOP

## COSTUME INFORMATION

### OUR PHILOSOPHY

We **DO NOT REQUIRE ANY** costumes for any of our 4-6 year old performances. Our classes are based on students creating characters using their actor tools—body, voice & imagination—costumes are not required for them to create their character.

### HOWEVER...

We also recognize that our youngest students enjoy “dressing up” and we do not want to restrict this enjoyment either. Much as we allow our youngest students to choose the character they will be playing in the presentation, we also allow them to wear the “costume” that they choose to wear, OR to choose not to wear a costume, as the case may be. It is perfectly acceptable for your child to wear everyday clothes for our presentations.

### IF YOUR CHILD CHOOSES TO WEAR A COSTUME, HERE ARE OUR GUIDELINES:

- 1) We do NOT require any costumes to be bought specifically for the presentation.
- 2) NO MASKS or ANYTHING that will cover the face or hinder the full use of the actor’s voice tool.
- 3) Make sure your child can move freely in the costume he/she is wearing and is comfortable standing, sitting on the floor, crawling, dancing, running, etc. In other words, nothing that will hinder the full use of the actor’s full body tool.
- 4) SHOES – Make sure your child’s shoes cover his/her feet, do not come off easily, and are comfortable for him/her to move around in. (No flip-flops, heels, large boots, slip-ons or sandals without back straps.)
- 5) Have fun, be creative & let the imagination go! And if after all that, your child does not want to wear the costume at the time of the performance, that’s okay too.