



The River Performing and Visual Arts Center

Serving children with special needs since 1996

Spring 2010 Saturday Morning Fine Arts Program Registration



An arts education enhances imagination, creative abilities, cognitive skills, problem-solving skills, fine motor skills, language, social skills, sense of time and place, focusing, listening,

Spring 2010 Dates

January 23
January 30
February 6
February 13
February 20
February 27
March 6
March 27
April 3 - Rehearsal
April 10 - Recital

Important Parent Information

- **Registration Fee** - There is a \$25 non-refundable registration fee per family each semester.
- **Class Tuition** - \$100 per class per student per semester.
- **Scholarships** are available. For more information please call 713-520-1220 or indicate on registration. You can also download an application at www.TheRiver.org.
- **Hours Of Operation** - Saturday mornings from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- **Location** - City of Houston Metropolitan Multi-Service Center located at 1475 West Gray, between Dunlavy and Waugh, in Houston, Texas 77019.
- **Nurse** - a licensed nurse is on duty during these hours.

We encourage parents to feel comfortable observing their children in class the first two Saturdays. After that, we will support your child's independence.

The River is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization whose mission is to provide an accessible, affordable, fine arts education for special children, ages 2-19, who have disabilities, chronic illnesses, or are economically disadvantaged.
Siblings are welcome to the program!



SPRING 2010 SATURDAY AM COURSE DESCRIPTIONS



ART

| TIME | AGE GROUP | CLASS |
|---------------|---------------|---------------------|
| 9:30 - 10:30 | 3 - 6 years | Art Exploration |
| 10:30 - 11:30 | 10 - 19 years | Clay & Sculpture |
| 11:30 - 12:30 | 7 - 12 years | Art Studio Workshop |

Art Exploration: Students will explore basic art materials through creative projects using a variety of mediums; from crayons and pastels to paint and clay.

Clay & Sculpture: Students will be introduced to modeling and air dry clay along with a variety of diverse materials to create 3-dimensional works of art.

Art Studio Workshop: Students are introduced to a wide range of art materials while creating collages, sculptures, and prints.

DANCE

| TIME | AGE GROUP | CLASS |
|---------------|---------------|------------------------|
| 9:30 - 10:30 | 7 - 12 years | Dance Theatre |
| 10:30 - 11:30 | 3 - 6 years | Dance Around the World |
| 11:30 - 12:30 | 10 - 19 years | Dance to the Beat |

Dance Theatre: Students work on performance techniques while learning a jazz dance routine from a musical number.

Dance Around the World: Students will learn about different dance techniques from cultures across the globe and will feature one cultural dance at the recital.

Dance to the Beat: Students will work on movement skills like loco motor steps, spatial awareness, and rhythmic pacing in this class designed to conclude with a performance inspired by STOMP.



DRAMA

| TIME | AGE GROUP | CLASS |
|---------------|-----------|----------------------|
| 9:30 - 10:30 | 10 - 19 | Pantomime |
| 10:30 - 11:30 | 3 - 6 | Preschool Performers |
| 11:30 - 12:30 | 7 - 12 | Dramatic Performance |

Pantomime: Students will learn the art of wordless storytelling - to create a play, dance, or story without words by using body movements, gestures, and facial expressions.

Preschool Performers: Students will be introduced to the world of theater through face paint, masks, props, and costumes in this primer designed to give them a chance in the spotlight.

Dramatic Performance: Students will explore basic acting, movement, and voice in a fun and stimulating environment. This class will incorporate music and script interpretation as appropriate to the students in the class.

MUSIC



| TIME | AGE GROUP | CLASS |
|---------------|---------------|------------------|
| 9:30 - 10:30 | 10 - 19 years | Explore Keyboard |
| 10:30 - 11:30 | 7 - 12 years | Explore Keyboard |
| 11:30 - 12:30 | 3 - 6 years | Little Chorus |

Explore Keyboard: Students will learn basic keyboard skills along with knowledge of modern electronic keyboards. Students will learn and experiment with different sounds and rhythms while learning to play songs on the keyboard. *Individualized attention will allow each student to progress at their own pace.*

Little Chorus: Students will learn classic children songs with live piano accompaniment. Music education activities will also include singing, movement, and creative projects.

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REGISTRATION FORM

Mail or fax this completed form along with a non-refundable \$25.00 Registration Fee per family to: The River, 1475 West Gray, Houston, TX 77019
 Fax- 713-521-2358. If you need more than one form please photocopy or download at www.TheRiver.org.

Please print legibly and fill in the blanks

Child's Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Ethnicity _____ (For grant purposes.) Child's Gender _____ Will any medicines be taken? _____

Parent/Guardian's Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Academic School Student Attends _____ School District _____

Home Telephone _____ Cell Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Place of Employment _____ E-Mail _____

Disability/Diagnosis: _____

Medical needs, allergies, special equipment (*attach additional page if necessary*): _____

| Emergency Contact Name (different from above) | Contact Phone # | Contact Relationship |
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| Class Time | First Class Choice (<i>Please print</i>) | Second Class Choice (<i>Please print</i>) |
|---------------------------|--|---|
| 9:30 -10:30 AM | | |
| 10:30-11:30 AM | | |
| 11:30 AM -12:30 PM | | |

PARENT / GUARDIAN WAIVER FOR MINORS (Under 18 years old) : I, _____, hereby WAIVE, RELEASE, AND DISCHARGE THE RIVER, its directors, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives, and agents, activity or event sponsors, and all other persons working on its behalf, from any and all liability, including liability in their individual capacity, for the death, disability, personal injury, property damage, property theft, or other actions of any kind, which may hereafter occur to my child or ward, whose name is _____, due to his/her participation in any events sponsored by THE RIVER. Such release of liability specifically includes, but is not limited to, **any liability arising from the negligence or fault of the entities or persons released.** This accident waiver and release of liability shall be construed broadly to provide a release and waiver to the maximum extent permissible under applicable law. I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT, AND I FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENT. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL, BOTH INDIVIDUALLY AND AS THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF THE PARTICIPANT NAMED ABOVE.

Participant's Name and Age _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____

Registration Fee: \$25 per family

Tuition: \$100 per semester per class per child

I am enclosing a payment in the amount of \$ _____

Check enclosed payable to The River American Express Discover MasterCard Visa

Card Number: _____ Expiration Date _____

Name as printed on card _____ Signature _____

Please send information on how to apply for a scholarship. Please note that each family must pay a registration fee whether a scholarship is granted or not.

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| River staff only to fill out this box | Date Rcvd: | Amt. Rcvd: | Scholarship: | Notes: |
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One-Day Musical Theatre Workshop



Saturday,
March 20th
10am - 2pm

- Open to students 7 - 19 years of age who have disabilities, chronic illness, or are economically disadvantaged.
- River students will partner with students of The Academy, part of Theatre Under The Stars' prestigious Humphreys School of Musical Theater.
- Students will prepare and rehearse an adaptation of a musical to be viewed by their families and friends @ 1:30pm.
- The workshop will be held in a rehearsal studio at Theater Under the Stars, located at 800 Bagby, in the heart of theatre district in downtown Houston.
- Students must bring a sack lunch with food and a beverage. Students should dress for comfort in casual clothes and sneakers.
- A nurse will be on staff at the workshop. The workshop fee is **\$25** to be made payable to The River. Financial assistance is available.
- **Space is limited to 25 participants - registration is on a first come, first served basis.**
- For more information, please visit us at www.TheRiver.org, (p) 713-520-1220, (f) 713-521-2358, or (e) info@TheRiver.org



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First class is Saturday, January 23.
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