

ADULT CLASSES

Our adult class selections at Civic Theatre are carefully crafted to offer both basic skills for those new to theatre, and advanced skills for experienced artists looking to hone their craft. Our instructors are theatre professionals who have worked professionally and on college campuses both in West Michigan and all over the country.

FALL TERM

ESSENTIAL ACTING

Thursdays 7:00-9:30pm
\$150

A six-week exploration of the fundamentals of acting. Students work to develop the tools an actor needs: focus, relaxation, and concentration. Working with the body and voice to engage the whole person, students use games and exercises to foster spontaneity and diminish self-consciousness. Students also apply foundational skills (identifying goals and obstacles, playing an action, etc.) to individual text work as well as scene work. *All levels of experience welcome.*

ADVANCED SCENE WORK

Wednesdays 7:00-9:30pm
\$150

Instructor Tom Kaechele leads actors through acting techniques aligned with script analysis as they prepare medium length scenes from challenging, contemporary scripts. *This class is recommended for adult students with some acting experience.*

BEGINNING TAP

Thursdays, 7:00pm-8:00pm - \$75

For dancers with little or no tap experience. Tap shoes recommended.

INTERMEDIATE TAP*

Thursdays, 8:00-9:00pm - \$75

For dancers with at least 2 years tap experience. Tap shoes required.

**Registration for Intermediate classes is subject to instructor approval. Please call the Education office at 222-6653 for more information on registering.*



School Terms:

Fall Term:

October 6 – November 21

Winter Term:

January 12 – February 22

Spring Term:

April 13 – May 24

Performance Block:

March 2 – 24

SEE ATTACHED CALENDAR

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FOR FULL SCHEDULE!

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WINTER TERM

AUDITIONING FOR THE ADULT ACTOR

Wednesdays, 7:00-9:30pm
\$150

Act your BEST and impress! Students explore audition technique for non-musical plays with instructor Michelle Urbane. Topics include: cold reading, preparation, dos & don'ts, mindful intention & choices, and much more. All experience levels welcome!

SPEAKING WITH CONFIDENCE: VOICE FOR THE ACTOR

Thursdays, 7:00-9:30pm
\$150

Students learn how to connect their voice to intention and physicality to help improve resonance and clarity in their vocal performance. The class focuses on relaxation, projection, and articulation with an introduction to IPA (international phonetic alphabet). Some previous acting experience is recommended.

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SPRING TERM

MOMENT TO MOMENT: BUILDING AN ACTOR'S TOOLBOX

Thursdays, 7:00-9:30pm
\$150

Instructor Carrie McNulty teaches advanced acting techniques to help actors raise the bar on their performance. Learn how to create well-rounded, diverse and interesting characters onstage by working off the other, using heightened observation, and applying empathy, compassion and curiosity to your work. This class is for experienced actors looking to take their work to the next level.

IMPROV: OFFERED EVERY TERM!

IMPROV COMEDY: THE BASICS

Fall, Winter, Spring
Mondays 7:00-9:30pm
\$150

This highly energetic class is geared towards the basic tenets of improv acting and developing the process of improv, teamwork, and spontaneity. Ideal for people hoping to perform improv, expand their performance abilities, or for those desiring to develop enhanced communication and creativity skills for use in their business and personal lives, all while working in a supportive and extremely fun environment.

IMPROV COMEDY: ADVANCED TECHNIQUES

Fall, Winter, Spring
Tuesdays 7:00-9:30pm
\$150

Students who have successfully completed Improv Comedy: The Basics are invited to take this more advanced improvisation class. Students solidify the basic tenets of improv acting and develop enhanced communication and creativity skills!