

# ADULT CLASSES

Our adult class selections at Grand Rapids 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 have worked professionally and on college campuses both in West Michigan and all over the country.

## FALL TERM

### ADVANCED SCENE WORK

Thursdays 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 contact the Education office at 616-222-6653, ext 2 for more information on registering.*

## WINTER TERM

### INTRODUCTION TO STAGE COMBAT

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

Learn the basics of stage combat in a fun, nurturing environment! Students learn to safely execute the most common forms of on-stage combat – punches, kicks, slaps, and falls – and apply those skills for truly effective storytelling. This is an excellent class for anyone looking to add a few more “special skills” to their actor’s or director’s toolbox!

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## School Terms:

### Fall Term:

October 5 – November 21  
(No Class on Halloween)

### Winter Term:

January 11 – February 21

### Spring Term:

April 18 – June 1  
(No Classes May 23, 24, 25)

### Performance Block:

March 7 – 29

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## SPRING TERM

### ESSENTIAL ACTING

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

A six-week exploration of the fundamentals of acting with Carrie McNulty. 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!

### AUDITIONING FOR THE ADULT ACTOR

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

Act your BEST and impress! Students explore audition techniques 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!

## 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!

