

Dear **SUMMER MUSICAL SHOWCASE** Actors and Families:

We look forward to seeing you on **Monday, June 26th** for the Summer Musical Showcase, *“From Stage to Screen and Back Again,”* an original story and compilation by Director/Choreographer Ahmad Maaty with musical direction by Jackie Salvador.

Please see below for details regarding morning drop off and afternoon pick up and other logistical details.

If you have any questions prior to the start of the program, please feel free to email (mary@afyp.org) or call (703) 554-4931 at any time.

Warm Regards,  
Mary

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**WHAT TO BRING ON YOUR FIRST DAY:**

- 1. A copy of the confirmation email received upon registration.** If you cannot locate this, please let me know and we'll get you another copy.
- 2. If not already submitted this year, a photocopy of proof of medical insurance for each participant,** for our files, in order to comply with GMU regulations (**photocopy** of insurance card will be fine). You are welcome to email a copy prior to the start of the program.
- 3. A completed copy of the last page of this document** (actor size information, actor/parent agreement and social media permission)
- 4. ONE lunch and ONE snack for each day (there will be two breaks each day). Students are also encouraged to bring a water bottle labeled with their name. As we have several students with severe nut allergies, we ask that you kindly refrain from sending food containing nuts.**
- 5. If you have made carpool arrangements,** please prepare a note with names of participating families, or the names of anyone *other than those listed in actor's registration information* that may be picking them up. If you provided this during registration, it is already on file.
- 6. Placement auditions** will take place on Monday. Students should arrive dressed to move for the dance portion of their audition, and should prepare 16 bars of music to sing for the music portion of the audition (we recommend a verse and chorus). They should be prepared to sing a capella. The song may be whatever the student is most comfortable with, be it a Broadway tune or a radio song. *Please make sure the lyrics are appropriate,* as there are some younger students in this program. Students may also be taught short musical phrases to learn and sing. All students will be cast in the show and will be in multiple musical numbers.

**REHEARSAL SCHEDULE:** Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> - Friday June 30<sup>th</sup>, 9 AM – 3 PM

**PERFORMANCES:** Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup> at 2 PM and 7 PM (call times will be sent home ASAP during the rehearsal week).

THIS PROGRAM IS HELD ON THE FAIRFAX CAMPUS OF GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY.

**DROP OFF AND PICK UP WILL BE HELD IN PARKING LOT J.**

**View our “Welcome to Mason Summer Acting Programs” video tutorial for directions to Lot J drop off and pick up at:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BxS5dfqn03U>

**Directions:** GMU is located at the intersection of Chain Bridge Road (Route 123) and Braddock Road (Route 620) in Fairfax. **From I-495:** take exit 54, Braddock Road (Route 620), westbound. Follow Braddock Road West for approximately six miles. Pass the first entrance to the university and turn right at the second entrance, a stop light at Roanoke River Road). Once on Roanoke, bear left at the fork in the road. Pull into Parking Lot J for morning drop off and afternoon pick up.

**From Braddock & Rte. 123:** proceed east on Braddock Road to first light (Roanoke River Road) and turn left. Bear left at the fork in the road. Pull into Parking Lot J for morning drop off and afternoon pick up.

Additional Directions may be found at:

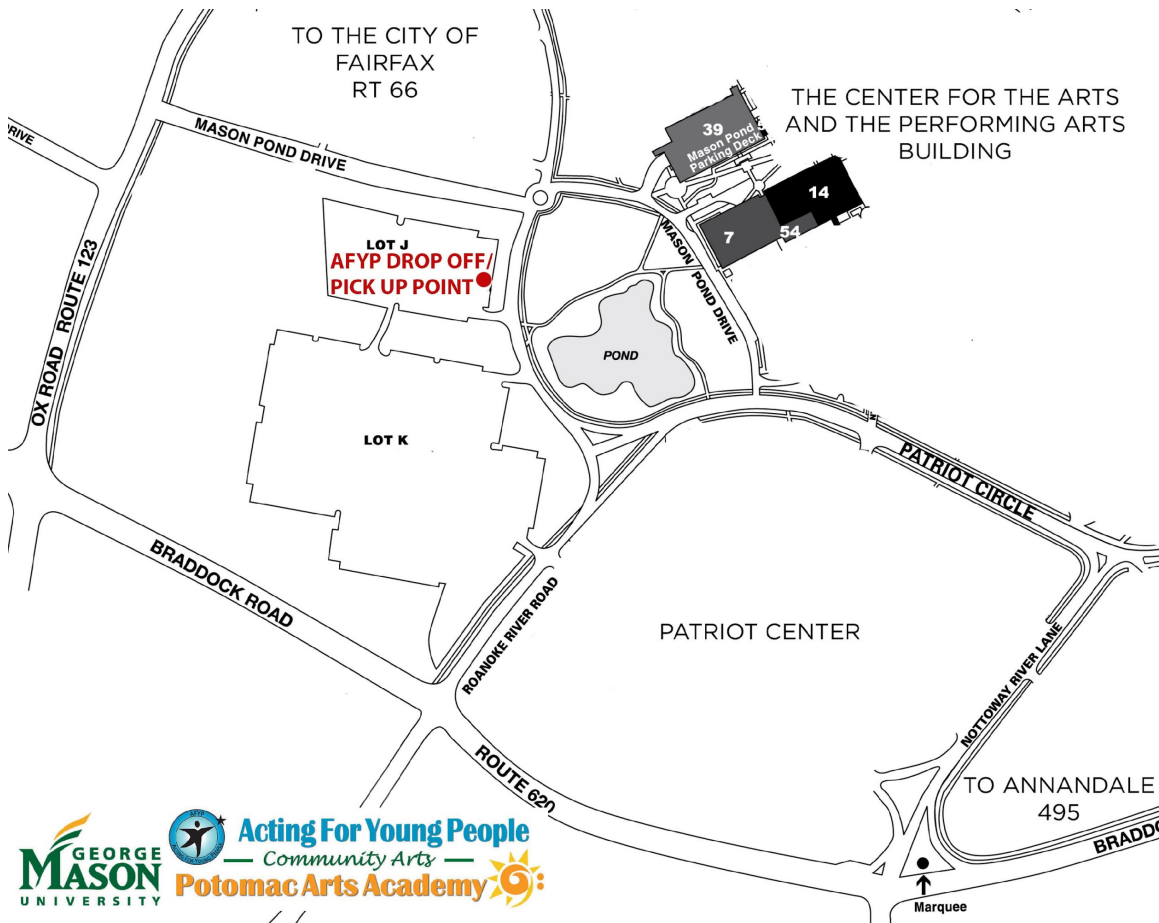
<http://cfa.gmu.edu/directions>

and to the Fairfax Campus:

[http://www.gmu.edu/resources/welcome/FairfaxMap16\\_Info.pdf](http://www.gmu.edu/resources/welcome/FairfaxMap16_Info.pdf)

Drop Off/Pick Up Point is “Parking Lot J”.

Please note that several high school graduations take place on Mason’s campus, so you may find areas of congestion.



**PLEASE DROP OFF BETWEEN 8:30-8:45 a.m., so we may start rehearsal promptly at 9:00 a.m.**

**IF YOU WISH TO WALK YOUR CHILD(REN) INSIDE: short term parking (up to 30 minutes) provided, free of charge, in the Mason Pond parking deck.** After 30 minutes, you will be charged the hourly rate of \$3. Please ask AFYP staff to escort you to check-in.

**If you anticipate a late arrival,** please call us at **703-554-4931**. If you arrive after the rehearsal start time call this number and one of our staff members will meet you at the Lot J drop off point and escort your child to the group's location. If your child(ren) must be **absent** from a rehearsal day, **please call us as soon as possible** to let us know. If your child must **leave early**, please **send a note** with them to that morning's check-in so that we may incorporate it into our end-of-day plans. Students may not call parents directly if they feel a need to leave early; you must arrange early pick-ups through our staff. **Each day of rehearsal is crucial** to the weekend's production so we ask that everyone be on time and stay for full days unless it absolutely can't be helped.

**END OF REHEARSAL PICK-UP:**

At the end of each rehearsal day, students will be escorted to **Parking Lot J** for pick up (**see map above, and we will have hard copies onsite**).

**DIRECTIONS TO PICK UP POINT:**

As you enter the campus on Roanoke River Road, veer right at the fork to stay on Patriot Circle; pass Parking Lot K on left; turn left into Parking Lot J.

**WHEN YOU ARRIVE:** Please **enter Lot J, drive towards back of lot and pull into a parking spot;** you may leave your car unattended while you come to our waiting area to pick up your child(ren) from their group. **Parents are asked to please line up and to check their student(s) out with our staff before the students may be released. Please follow all instructions for check out procedures given by our staff.**

To ensure everyone's safety, we must take our time getting to Lot J from our rehearsal spaces, so thank you in advance for your patience if we are running a few minutes behind (especially as it gets later in the week!). Please follow the written instructions and **DO NOT try to pull up to the Lot J curb for "kiss and ride" style pick-up; it is extremely hazardous, and there are plenty of parking spots available.**

**IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER,** please proceed to Lot J as usual. You will be instructed from there by our staff to our alternate pick-up point. Rest assured that we will keep the actors safe and dry. If rain is predicted, it's best to send your actor with appropriate rain gear. **IN THE EVENT OF EXTREMELY HOT WEATHER,** please be sure to arrive at Lot J for pick up as close to rehearsal end time as possible to avoid children having to wait in the heat. If necessary, we will go with our inclement weather plan, but in all cases, parents should report to Lot J first.

**Students MUST be picked up within 15 minutes of the rehearsal end time.** A \$10 fee for late pick-ups will be assessed every 15 minutes starting at 3:30 p.m. payable by next morning's check-in. After 15 minutes, students who have not been picked up will be walked to our aftercare area and can be picked up from there.

**Any students driving themselves must purchase a parking permit** for General Lot K, or park in the Mason Pond Deck. More information may be found here:  
<http://potomacacademy.gmu.edu/about/parking/>

**AFTERCARE:** AFTERCARE RUNS MONDAY – FRIDAY, 3 – 6 p.m.

**Please send additional snacks/beverages for your child to have during aftercare period.**

For those of you with campers in Aftercare, when you arrive for pick-up please **PARK IN FRONT OF THE CENTER FOR THE ARTS CONCERT HALL** where it says "Ticket Pick-up." Be sure to turn on your blinkers. **PLEASE CALL: 703-554-4931.**

Once you have called, we will bring your child out to you promptly (you are also welcome to text with your child's name; reception in the Performing Arts Building can be spotty but we will connect with you ASAP).

Please note that we must leave the building by 6 p.m. at the end of the Aftercare session. Late arrivals will be assessed a fee.

Partial-week/drop-in arrangements available – send an email to [mary@afyp.org](mailto:mary@afyp.org).

Our Aftercare Staff: Megan Gasztonyi, Meghan Howe, Harrison Cox, Drew Goldstein

## **SHOW DETAILS**

We will provide daily schedule details for the week, as well as information regarding call times for the weekend performances, on Monday. You will also receive information regarding **costumes** early in the week. These will be simple and will hopefully be able to be gathered from what you already have. We don't want anyone to go to extra effort or expense! We will provide as many pieces as we can.

## **TICKETS**

Each actor will receive two complimentary tickets for the performance weekend (**one ticket to each performance**). Instead of receiving a physical ticket before the weekend, your child(ren)'s name(s) will be on a list at our Box Office for both performances. To claim your complimentary ticket, parents will simply go to our Box Office (located in the Harris Theatre lobby) and tell our staff your child(ren)'s name(s) and you will be given your one complimentary ticket for that performance.

If you need additional tickets it is **highly recommended** that you purchase tickets early as our performances tend to sell out. **Tickets will go on sale through our website, [www.AFYP.org](http://www.AFYP.org), on Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>.**

## **PERFORMANCE LOCATION & AUDIENCE PARKING:**

**The Summer Musical Showcase will be performed in George Mason University's Harris Theatre**, which may be new to several of our families. This larger theater is located just northeast of the Mason Pond Parking Deck. You may park at no charge in Parking Lot K and walk to the venue, or event parking is available in the Mason Pond Deck for \$8.

Here is an additional link, to Mason's Center for the Arts, in case it is helpful:

<http://cfa.gmu.edu/directions/#directions>

**COMPLIMENTARY PARKING** is available on weekends in General Lot K (this is the lot right next to our afternoon pick up point). Parking is also available for a nominal fee in the Mason Pond Parking Deck next to the Concert Hall (as mentioned above). Our staff will be outside to greet audience members and show them to the performance location.

## **PERFORMANCE DAY**

Actors should bring a snack and drink. Our staff will remain onsite between performances. Students are welcome to bring something to eat and stay with us during our break. They will have a short turnaround time between shows (information on running time of performances TBD), but students are also welcome to leave with their families and return for the evening show call time.

**If you are not attending a performance** and wish to pick up your child after the show, please let us know that as soon as possible. Our staff will walk students out to the front of the Center for

the Arts Concert Hall to meet you. Please allow time for them to change out of costume and gather their personal belongings.

#### **SHOW DVD**

Scott Nurmi of Mojo Factory Productions will tape the show and offer DVD copies for sale. Order forms will be sent home during the rehearsal week and will also be available at our box office during performances.

#### **SOUVENIR T-SHIRTS**

Actors will receive their souvenir t-shirts during the week to wear during the week. We request that students wear the shirt on Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup>, when we will be taking headshot photos of the cast.

Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you soon!

*Mary, Ahmad, Jackie & the AFYP Team*

**PLEASE COMPLETE THE INFORMATION ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE AND BRING WITH YOU TO MONDAY MORNING CHECK IN.**

**ACTOR'S NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**COSTUME INFORMATION – CURRENT SIZES:**

SHIRT: \_\_\_\_\_ DRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ SOCKS: \_\_\_\_\_  
PANTS: \_\_\_\_\_ SKIRT: \_\_\_\_\_ SHOE: \_\_\_\_\_  
SWEATPANTS: \_\_\_\_\_ COAT: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PARENT & ACTOR AGREEMENT:**

It is our goal to foster an environment of professionalism and good sportsmanship.

Please keep the following in mind:

**REHEARSALS ARE MANDATORY**

- ✓ Showcases are a fun and rewarding experience, but understand that this is a big commitment and others are depending on you.
- ✓ You will be given a part in the play and your fellow cast members will be counting on you to attend rehearsal every day.

**BEHAVIOR**

- ✓ During rehearsal, if we are not working on the scene that you are in, you are expected to be working on your lines from the show or observing quietly.
- ✓ You are expected to be respectful of your fellow actors at all times.
- ✓ Please do your show homework between rehearsals!

**EVERY PART IS IMPORTANT TO THE PLAY**

Not everyone is going to get the part that he/she may want. Please be prepared for this. Casting is a painstaking process and we work very hard to make sure everyone has something special to do. The directors will be making the final casting decisions and this will not be negotiable. Everyone will have plenty to do. Please remember, though, ALL parts are important to the play to make it successful. Your job is to make the most out of the parts you get. *There are no small parts, only small actors!*

**STUDENTS, PLEASE READ AND SIGN:**

I am excited to take part in AFYP's Summer Musical Showcase. I understand that I am committing to rehearsals. I will be respectful of my fellow actors, directors, and staff at all times I will be grateful for the role I am given. I am willing to work hard and do my best.

\_\_\_\_\_ Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date

**PARENTS, PLEASE READ AND SIGN:**

I give my child permission to participate in AFYP's Summer Musical Showcase. I know the dates of the rehearsals and performances, and understand that he/she must attend ALL rehearsals, unless prior arrangements have been made. I will encourage my child to work on their lines, songs and dances between rehearsals.

\_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date

**PHOTO/SOCIAL MEDIA WAIVER:**

I give permission for my child's image to be used on social media (Facebook, Twitter, company website, and in features about AFYP) for promotional purposes.

YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_ Notes: \_\_\_\_\_