

Room: Scene Shop

Tutorials: by appointment.

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Description

This class will focus on the development of the individual's understanding and skill in performance. The class will endeavor to increase the student's knowledge and appreciation of the varied forms of performance. Students will act scenes, create improvisations, read and analyze plays and characters, write a play, and perform a production. The students will, to a lesser extent, develop an understanding of technical theatre through set construction, lighting, music, costumes, and theatre management.

Organization

This is a teacher led class focused on student ownership of the subject. The class will include research, lectures, discussions, memorization, debates, performances, evaluation, criticism, projects, daily work, homework, writing assignments, quizzes, and tests. All assignments should be completed fully and turned in by the due date. Any portion of an assignment not finished will be counted wrong. Missing work will receive a zero.

Course Objectives

To increase student understanding of self, human relationships, and the environment using elements of drama and conventions of theatre

To develop the student's ability to interpret characters, use the voice and body expressively, and create dramatizations.

To improve student ability to apply design, direction, and theatre production concepts and skills.

To imbue the student with an ability to relate theatre to history, society, and culture

To develop student evaluation and responses to theatre and theatrical performance

Course Topics

Acting theory

Character analysis

Costume

Directing

Improvisation

Lighting

Music

Play analysis

Play writing

Production management

Public speaking

Scene performance

Self-control

Self-expression

Set construction

Stage movement

Theatre management

Required Supplies

Computer

Pencil

Highlighter

Grading plan

The grade book will be updated weekly.

All late work will have a maximum grade of 70. It is the students' responsibility to get their work after missing class. For each day missed, students will be given one day to complete missing work without penalty.

Course work will be weighted as follows:

Daily work, homework, quizzes and minor projects	1 (Expect 4 to 8 a 6wks)
Participation	1 (1 a week, 20 points a day)
Final Performances and Major Projects	1 - 2 (Expect 1 or 2 a 6wks)
1 st Semester	
1 st -3 rd 6wks 25% each	
Semester test 25%	
2 nd Semester	
4th -6th 6wks 25% each	
Semester test 25%	

Daily Work, Homework:

Daily work and homework will include worksheets, writing assignments, memorization, scene selection, and other work that is completed in class or at home with open resources. Not bringing some assignments on time will also affect the participation grade.

Quizzes:

Quizzes are assignments that must be completed in class without use of resources. Quizzes are often timed and will NOT generally be announced beforehand. Some quizzes will be performance based.

Minor projects:

Minor projects vary greatly but generally will only last two to three days and may include performance, PowerPoint presentations, research papers, poster board projects, skits,

music, or any other medium assigned or approved on a project by project basis. All projects will have clearly defined criteria and deadlines.

Major Projects:

Major projects vary greatly but generally will last five or more days and may include performance, PowerPoint presentations, research papers, poster board projects, skits, music, or any other medium assigned or approved on a project by project basis. All projects will have clearly defined criteria and deadlines.

Tests:

Tests are assignments that must be completed in class without use of resources. Tests are often timed and WILL always be announced beforehand. Most test in this class will be performance based.

Classroom Rules of Conduct

1. Respect yourself, others, and the school.
2. Take no action that will impede the learning process for yourself or others.

(Personal electronics may only be used in this classroom when the teacher has expressly given permission on a day by day or by project basis.) Use without permission will result in the property being taken up and kept for the day. It may be reclaimed in the office.

3. Be prepared for class every day. Cheating will receive a zero with no makeup.
4. Do Not Cheat. This includes copying others' homework.
5. Follow all other campus rules.

Meet dress code

Be on time

Etc.

Final notes:

If there is a school shutdown please check Canvas for information, lessons, and assignments.

Wisdom from the Teacher

Check Canvas often.

If you don't know, ask.

Be polite and friendly; you will catch more flies with honey than vinegar.

People are judged by the company they keep; choose wisely.

Honesty is always easier in the end.

Take responsibility for yourself. You are the only one who can.

The better part of wisdom is choosing to be smart.

Act your part well. We are all actors; one does not act the same at court as he or she does at a theme park. Be sure you are putting on the right show at the right time.