

Starlight STARS 2019 Overview

The Starlight STARS program is structured to develop and hone the skills of high school performers. Since 2003, this educational program has prepared company members to pursue arts careers, with alumni performing across the country and abroad. Selected students:

- Strengthen their resumes
- Perform at Starlight and throughout Kansas City
- Cultivate skills
- Network with industry professionals
- Gain experience in a variety of performance styles
- Are eligible to audition for Starlight productions
- Become part of the Starlight community

The program's activities take place throughout the summer, with additional fall and winter opportunities. STARS create a musical theatre medley that they perform at Starlight prior to select Broadway performances and while representing Starlight at multiple community events. Company members receive access to master classes and industry-insider workshops.

AUDITIONS

Students in grades 8 through 11 during the current school year (2018/2019) may audition.

Tuesday, March 26 at 7:00 p.m. Required arrival time for check-in is 6:45 p.m.

Sunday, March 31 at 2:00 p.m. Required arrival time for check-in is 1:45 p.m.

REHEARSALS

Initial Rehearsal Dates*:

Saturday, May 18; 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Mandatory Parent/Guardian Meeting 9:00-9:30 a.m.)

Sunday, May 19; 2:00-5:30 p.m.

Monday, June 10 through Saturday, June 15; 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Because the Starlight STARS will create their summer performance in this short, intense window of time, conflicts during the above Initial Rehearsal Dates are non-negotiable.*

Continuing Rehearsal Dates:

Friday, June 28; 10:00 a.m. to noon

Monday, July 8; 10:00 a.m. to noon

Thursday, July 18; 10:00 a.m. to noon

Thursday, July 25; 10:00 a.m. to noon

Thursday, August 1; 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

STARLIGHT SPOTLIGHT STAGE PERFORMANCES

Saturday, June 15

Wednesday, June 26

Friday, July 12

Thursday, August 1

Wednesday, September 25

Friday, September 27

Call time: 6:30 p.m.

Performance #1: 7:00 p.m.

Performance #2: 7:25 p.m.

MASTER CLASSES

Master classes with cast members from Starlight's Broadway season will be scheduled throughout the summer. The days/times of these sessions are yet to be finalized with the tours, but below is our requested schedule. Participation in these master classes is optional.

- "The Wizard of Oz" – Thursday, June 13; 3:00-5:00 p.m.
- "Beautiful" – Thursday, June 27; 3:00-5:00 p.m.
- "Cats" – Wednesday, July 10; 3:00-5:00 p.m.
- "A Bronx Tale" – Saturday, August 3; noon-2:00 p.m.
- "Hello, Dolly!" – Saturday, September 28; noon-2:00 p.m.

OPTIONAL PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES

Starlight Theatre Gala:

The Starlight STARS are invited to perform as part of Starlight's Gala on Saturday, October 12, 2019. Participants will be required to "opt in" by Thursday, August 1. Rehearsal details will be finalized closer to the event and communicated to cast members. The tentative schedule is:

Sunday, September 29; 1:00 to 3:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 6; 1:00 to 3:30 p.m.

Monday, October 7 through Wednesday, October 9; Rehearsal may or may not be required every day, but will take place late afternoon/evening (after normal school hours).

Thursday, October 10 and Friday, October 11; Rehearsals will occur in the late afternoon/evening.

Saturday, October 12 – TBD, Gala performance in the evening

Holiday Medley Performances:

NEW THIS YEAR – Members of the Starlight STARS and Starlight STARS of Tomorrow will have the option to participate in November/December holiday performances (6 to 8 anticipated). Participants will be required to "opt in" by Thursday, August 1. A 15-minute holiday medley will be performed throughout Kansas City at venues like Union Station, Worlds of Fun and Crown Center. For those participants not opting in, the "holiday medley" rehearsals listed on this document will not be required. Holiday medley rehearsals are:

Sunday, August 18; 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 3; 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 10; 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 17; 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

COST

For those selected, the cost of the Starlight STARS is \$400.

For more information, contact education@kcstarlight.com.