

What's the Difference?

Differences Between DMR Adventures Theatre Education Performance-Based Programs

At DMR Adventures, we offer a range of theatre education programs tailored to various ages and experience levels, each designed to foster artistic growth and a love for the performing arts.

Here's how our performance and showcase-based programs differ:

Musical Theatre Adventure Programs:

- **Age and Skill Level:** Geared towards younger students, often in elementary school, these programs are ideal for beginners and those eager to explore the world of musical theatre.
- **Exploration and Learning:** Focused on providing a well-rounded theatre education, students engage in acting, singing, and dancing in a fun and nurturing environment. These programs prioritize learning and skill development.
- **Curriculum Variety:** The curriculum encompasses a wide array of theatre-related topics and skills, fostering creativity and confidence in young performers.
- **Duration:** Typically shorter in duration, these programs provide a taste of theatre and encourage students to discover their interests and talents.
- **Showcases and Presentations:** Culminate in a showcase or small presentation, providing students an opportunity to showcase their newfound skills to a limited audience of family and friends.

MainStage Production Program:

- **Age and Experience:** Targeted towards older students who possess some prior theatre experience and are ready to take on more significant roles in a full-scale production. Auditions may be open to elementary students based on the show.
- **Production Focus:** Revolve around the rehearsal and performance of a specific musical or play, with in-depth training in character development, blocking, choreography, and vocal techniques.
- **Full-Scale Productions:** Aim to mount professional-quality productions with all the elements of a theatrical performance, including costumes, sets, and live audiences with tickets open to the public. Students experience the thrill and pressure of a full-scale production and have multiple opportunities to perform.
- **Duration:** Generally, have longer durations, spanning several months with more frequent classes to allow for intensive preparation and rehearsal.
- **Auditions and Casting:** Involve an audition process, often preceded by classes offering preparation on the material and auditioning techniques. Students are cast in specific roles, offering them valuable audition experience and character portrayal opportunities.
- **Professional Guest Artists:** May feature guest artists from the professional theatre industry who provide mentorship and share their expertise with students.

Conservatory Programs:

- **Age and Experience:** Varies based on the culminating production. Students with advanced skills will be invited based upon their audition and their fit for the production.
- **Audition-Based:** Admission to Conservatory Productions requires an audition, making them exclusive to students with advanced skills and a serious commitment to theatre.
- **High-Level Training:** Conservatory Productions offer a more advanced and rigorous training experience compared to MainStage classes, with an emphasis on refining acting, singing, and dancing abilities.
- **Challenging Material:** These productions often tackle challenging material, pushing students to excel in their craft and explore complex characters.
- **Performance Excellence:** The goal of Conservatory Productions is to deliver outstanding, polished performances that showcase the highest level of skill and professionalism.
- **Preparation for Future Careers:** These programs are particularly beneficial for students considering careers in theatre, offering them the opportunity to work on material and productions that can strengthen their portfolios and audition skills.

In summary, DMR Adventures provides a spectrum of theatre education opportunities to accommodate diverse ages and aspirations. Whether you're a beginner exploring the joys of theatre, a dedicated student aiming for a professional career, or an advanced performer seeking a challenging experience, our programs are tailored to nurture your talent and passion for the performing arts.