Musical Theater Institute
2020
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Interested in Theater Arts? Calling all singers, dancers, actors, stage-craft folk, and others! Join us for a fun-filled, fast-moving, terrific theater experience. Seasoned pro or interested novice, there will be something for everyone.

In partnership with Goodspeed Musicals, Franklin Academy is happy to present a Musical Theater Institute this summer. Goodspeed, birthplace of the original productions of *Man of La Mancha*, *Shenandoah*, and *Annie*, and the first regional theater to receive two Special Tony Awards for its outstanding achievements, Goodspeed produces America’s musical treasures to delight, inspire, and entertain. Our very own thespians, Brianna and John, will team up with professional theater educators from Goodspeed to provide students with a memorable musical theater experience!

Students will create and perform a show, gaining skills in narrative structure and character building. While learning lines, blocking, and rehearsing songs, actors will explore their own voices. For those more interested in the “behind the scenes” work, technical roles in set building and audio/visual elements are sure to grab attention. So come find your inner performer or hone your set building skills and be a part of the show!

4 Weeks
June 28 – July 25

Tuition: 7,800
6,800
Boarding
Day
Film Institute
2020
Franklin Academy is delighted to announce the inaugural 2020 Film Institute! This fantastic summer offering is taught by award-winning, talented filmmaker, Josh Weissbach, M.F.A., who has exhibited his films both domestically and internationally. During the academic year, Josh is a full-time Residential Specialist. He understands the Franklin Academy student profile and enjoys working with this extraordinary population! Josh is particularly excited about bringing his passion for film to the Franklin Summer Program!

The Film Institute is open to students who are interested in the art of cinema production, including those with experience or those who are novices and just curious. Everyone will be encouraged to develop their artistic talents through this multifaceted medium – having fun along the way! Students will gain skills in pre-production script construction and storyboards, cinematography using a combination of cameras such as a GoPro, and non-linear editing with Adobe Premiere.

The Franklin Film Festival will showcase all completed projects at the conclusion of the session! Lights, camera, action...

Tuition: 7,800 6,800 4 Weeks June 28 – July 25
Memorable Montage

Craft, Art, and Outdoor Activities

2020
Welcome to Memorable Montage, where green giraffes with purple spots meander campus (just checking to see if you are reading this carefully)... where the fun never ends! This summertime adventure is a smorgasbord of craft, art, and enjoyable outdoor activities, providing an excellent opportunity to discover a new passion!

The infamous Julie, her sidekick Sarah, and our very own Assistant Headmaster, Tom, are the Memorable Montage cruise directors. You will not be sorry you went along for the ride! We guarantee that something will tickle your fancy!

Students choose from a rotating daily list of workshops and activities that include: Fashion (graffiti jeans & screen-printing), Textiles (weaving & basket making), Drawing (comics & graphic novels), Woodworking (bat boxes & birdhouses), Graphic Design (henna tattoos, holograms & wen design), Ceramics (cups & pendants), and Outdoor Activities (archery, fishing, & treasure hunting).
Call of the Wild

Survival Skills and Camping on the Connecticut River

2020
Call of the Wild

Do you love nature? Can you survive in the wilderness? Learn and practice a variety of basic survival and camping skills on the campus of Franklin Academy! Then use your knowledge exploring the lower Connecticut River via canoe. Camp at some of the most exclusive, serene, and fun sites along its majestic banks on two multi-day trips.

Instructors Rich, Ariel, and James are experienced “outdoors” people who will teach you how to set up a shelter, cook on a campfire, and navigate safely in nature. They may even tell a story or two!

Experience all aspects of recreational camping, including paddling to a remote campsite, hiking, and utilizing a pack in, pack out method.

Students are expected to be respectful of others and the environment while engaging in “Leave No Trace” practices and being mindful of noise levels. The goal is to work together to “survive” as a community while enjoying nature, bonding through team-building activities, and coming away with a sense of accomplishment.

2 Weeks
June 28 – July 11

Tuition: 4,000 Boarding
3,500 Day
College Transitional Support

2020
College-bound but not quite ready? Interested in what college will be like? Want to find out how to make college work for you?

Spend two weeks with Byron, Jen, and Josh, knowledgeable professionals in supporting students who may need help navigating college life! Held on the campus of Three Rivers Community College, with the help of their faculty and staff, students will explore college life while becoming familiar with supports and resources available.

This two-week program is suited for rising seniors and students who have recently graduated from high school. Students will engage in seminars on topics such as accommodations on a college campus, financial literacy, social cognition, emotional regulation, executive functioning, choosing a major, and the importance of finding a peer group. They will tour essential departments, for example, the office of financial aid, student services, the library, and the registrar’s office to learn about college resources and how and why to access them.

Each student will create a presentation on one aspect of college living that they will present to the class and their family at the conclusion of the session. Evenings and weekends, students can access social events on and off the campus with peers from Franklin Academy’s Summer Program.

For more information call the Admissions Office at 860-873-2700 ext. 1114
By the Stars

Ancient Methods of Navigation and Wayfinding

2020
By the Stars

Have you ever wondered how sailors throughout history found their way home without modern devices? What tricks and methods did they use before the invention of GPS? What tools did they fabricate and utilize to keep from getting lost? Join Roberto and Tristen, legends themselves, to get the answers to these questions.

Using only the stars and some simple tools, students will learn to navigate the same way these explorers did! Topics will include navigational tools, celestial mechanics, maps, star charts and tables, and constellations. Students will learn the similarities in the science behind modern gizmos like sonar and GPS and the ancient methods successfully used by so many.

Exploring interactive exhibits at the planetarium at Mystic Seaport Museum is sure to be a highlight! Utilizing their newfound navigational skills, students will chart a course between two mystery locations across the globe.

2 Weeks
July 12 – July 25

Tuition: 3,800 Boarding
3,300 Day