
WAUKEGAN PARK DISTRICT

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THEATRE PROGRAMS BENEFIT YOUNG ACTORS

Youth 8-18 years old interested in theatre and acting may now enroll in the *Roundtree Players* (14-18 years) and *Stage One* (8-13 years) programs through Jack Benny Center for the Arts. Informal auditions begin on Saturday, August 11, from 9-11 am for *Roundtree Players* and from 1-2:30 pm for *Stage One* in the Schornick Theatre.

Roundtree Players will offer teens a chance to enhance their theatre skills through various theatre games, activities and the rehearsal and performance of the play *Steel Magnolias*. Under the direction of Gloria Terry, participants will build an ensemble that works on script analysis, character building and acting.

Stage One offers students an opportunity to explore, create, and develop their theatrical abilities. Instructor and Cultural Arts Supervisor Scott Piner will challenge participants in creating drama in an intimate space through the process of rehearsing and performing a play.

The directors in conjunction with student schedules will determine the rehearsal schedules. Performance dates are tentatively set for November 9 & 10 for *Stage One* and November 16 & 17 for *Roundtree Players*. The program fee is \$95 for residents and \$100 for non-residents of the Waukegan Park District.

For more information, call Jack Benny Center for the Arts at 847-360-4740 or stop by 39 Jack Benny Dr., Waukegan, IL. You may also visit the Waukegan Park District website at www.waukeganparks.org and register online.