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 Theatre of the Performing Arts of Shreveport

2014 Fall Workshop & Auditions/ 3rd annual Saturday Development Academy

Theatre of the Performing Arts of Shreveport (TPA) is sponsoring a Fall Workshop & Auditions for school aged children and youth ages 6 – 18 who are interested in joining Theatre of the Performing Arts' Yazzy program. The workshop will consist of classes in dance, voice, theater, instrumental music, and strings.

This 2-day workshop will take place on Friday, December 19 & Saturday, December 20 at Green Oaks Performing Arts Academy, 2550 Thomas E. Howard Drive. Friday, December 19, registration for new students will begin at 5:30 pm, classes from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Saturday, December 20, registration for new students will begin at 8:30 am, classes from 9:00 am to 11:15 am. Thereafter, auditions for new participants will be held from 11:30 am until 1:00 pm. Visit our website at www.tpaarts.org for audition procedure information. There is no cost for participation in the Fall Workshop & Auditions.

This workshop is designed to expand the participant's knowledge of the arts; improve self-esteem and confidence; develop creative thinking and problem solving skills; encourage teamwork and cooperative learning; and motivate students to read, write, learn, and strive for excellence. We are also looking for more gifted and talented students to join our series of programs, most importantly our upcoming 3rd annual Saturday Development Academy. Theatre of the Performing Arts of Shreveport will present its Saturday Development Academy beginning January 17 through February 28, 2015. The first 3 weeks of the Development Academy will consist of workshops & clinics for all disciplines: instrumental music/strings, voice, dance, visual arts, and drama. Weeks 4 thru 7 will consist of lessons/instructions and private lessons for instrumental music and voice participants only. Saturday morning dates are: January 17th, 24th, 31st, February 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th. A culminating recital open to the public will take place on Saturday, March 7, 11:00 am in Green Oaks Performing Arts Academy –Auditorium. Contact TPA's office at 318-525-0740, 318-621-8914 for additional information.

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