



## *Frequently asked Questions*

### **Does my child need experience?**

There is no experience necessary, but it is always welcome. We are looking for talented, energetic, committed kids that will follow directions with a positive attitude and who are ready to have fun. *James and the Giant Peach* has many roles. All who register and audition will be accepted and during the month of October specific roles will be assigned.

### **When are rehearsals and how often are they scheduled?**

Please anticipate rehearsing around 3 times a week. However, the last 2 weeks prior to the performance we may ask that the students be available for every rehearsal. While rehearsals are scheduled Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 4:15-6:15 and Saturday 1:00-4:00, with added Friday rehearsals starting in December. We don't rehearse during the holiday breaks. Your child will not need to attend all rehearsals every week. They will only be called when we are working on scenes that their character is in.

### **Where are the rehearsals?**

The rehearsals will be held at either our offsite location (TDB) or STC at 1419 H St., Sacramento, CA

### **When are the performances?**

The performances will be:

January 14th, 11:00am

January 15th, 11:00am & 6:00pm

January 16th, 1:00pm & 6:00pm

January 17th, 1:00pm

### **Where are the performances?**

The performances will be on the Mainstage at Sacramento Theatre Company, 1419 H Street, Sacramento, CA 95814.

### **Will my child need to be at every rehearsal?**

No, please anticipate rehearsals 2-3 times a week. The last two weeks everyone will need to be at every rehearsal. Please discuss with director prior to the auditions any ongoing conflicts. This may affect which role they will be given.

### **What if I have a schedule conflict?**

All known schedule conflicts must be turned in before rehearsals begin. You are allowed up to 3 pre-noted absences. Conflicts will NOT be allowed during the last two weeks of rehearsals or during the performances.

### **What does it cost to participate in the STC Ensemble Musical?**

The tuition fee is \$375 per student.

Some additional costs you can anticipate include:

#### Mandatory

Black jazz shoes – about \$20 (there is a discount at Capezio's for STC students)

Leggings/pants – Most likely in black, however the costumer will assign students their color, if it's different

#### Optional

Show t-shirts

Personal messages or advertisements in the program

DVD of the performance

Tickets for family to see the show

Cast members do not receive complimentary tickets. Individual tickets are \$15.

### **What is the commitment for parents?**

We ask that parents volunteer 10 hours of your time on the production. We welcome more hours and appreciate any amount you are able to give. Parent participation is essential to a strong show.

We will be looking for parent volunteers in the following areas:

- Costume assistance
- Props assistance
- Rehearsal Monitors
- Back Stage Monitors

### **Is the volunteer commitment of 10 hours for EACH child I have participating?**

No, the 10-hour parent participation requested is per family.

### **How am I updated during the rehearsals and production?**

E-mail is the primary source of communication. This communication will be sent on a weekly basis and, at times, on a daily basis. It is extremely important that you check your e-mail for periodic updates regarding details of the production.

### **What else should I know?**

Your kids are about to experience a professional theatre environment with top-notch directors and staff. STC's School of the Arts offers a high quality experience in a nurturing educational atmosphere. Nowhere else in Sacramento is an experience of this caliber offered to kids of this age. We are thrilled to share this wonderful journey with you and your family. It will be a commitment for each family involved. We appreciate your dedication in creating a great show together.