

Bainbridge Performing Arts 2008-2009 Season

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Bainbridge Performing Arts (BPA) Theatre School NOW REGISTERING: Summer 2009 Classes Summer Sessions Begin June 29 & July 13

BPA Theatre School is now accepting summer 2009 class registrations for grades 1 – 8. Summer Session 1 offerings include *ADVENTURES IN PINGAREE* for grades 1 – 2, *THE NOME KING AND BEYOND* for grades 3 – 4, and *TALES OF THE ARABIAN NIGHTS* for grades 5 - 8. Summer Session 1 classes begin June 29. *ADVENTURES IN PINGAREE* and *THE NOME KING AND BEYOND* are both based on *Rinkitink in OZ* by L. Frank Baum, and adapted by Liz Ellis. Grades 1 - 2 will meet King Kitticut and his family, and explore the beautiful kingdom of Pingaree. Grades 3 – 4 will follow Prince Inga and his friend Bibil through many exciting and dangerous places on a quest to save his family! Older students, grades 5 – 8, will travel to the Far East for *TALES OF THE ARABIAN NIGHTS*, an original stage production by Steven Fogell.

BPA Theatre School's Summer Session 2 offerings include *THE LAND OF THE GILIKINS* for grades 1 – 2, *ADVENTURES OF TIP AND JACK PUMPKINHEAD* for grades 3 – 4, and *IT CAME FROM OUTER SPACE* for grades 5 - 8. Summer Session 2 classes begin July 13. *THE LAND OF THE GILIKINS* and *ADVENTURES OF TIP AND JACK PUMPKINHEAD* are both based on *Rinkitink in OZ* by L. Frank Baum, and adapted by Liz Ellis. Grades 1 - 2 will discover the magical land of the Gilikins, and meet the mischievous boy Tip and his guardian, the Old Witch, Mombi. Grades 3 – 4 will take a journey with Tip and Jack and meet the strangest set of characters along the way. Grades 5 – 8 will tackle an hysterical spoof on sci-fi B movies of the 1950s in *IT CAME FROM OUTER SPACE*, an original stage production by Steven Fogell.

All summer classes meet Mondays through Fridays; Session 1 meets June 29 through July 10, and Session 2 meets July 13 through 24. Grades 1 – 2 meet from 9:00 - 11:30 a.m., grades 3 – 4 at 12:00 - 2:30 p.m., and grades 5 – 8 meet from 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Tuition for the younger set is \$225, and tuition for grades 5 – 8 is \$375.

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BPA Theatre School classes are held at BPA, 200 Madison Avenue North, Bainbridge Island. All summer class ages are based on the grades students are entering in fall 2009. Register today by calling 206.842.8578, or print and complete the Registration Form at <http://www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org/Education/TheatreSchool.html>.

Bainbridge Performing Arts is sensitive to the needs of families during these economic times and is pleased to offer partial scholarship funding to students who would not otherwise be able to participate in our program. Letters of request may be submitted to the BPA office. Download BPA's Scholarship Application Form at <http://www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org/Education/Scholarships.html>.

BPA is supported, in part, by the **Bainbridge Island Arts and Humanities Council**, the **City of Bainbridge Island**, and the **Washington State Arts Commission**. BPA's 2008-2009 Media Sponsor is **Bainbridge Island Review**.

Find out more about BPA at www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org. Check online for the latest on theatre and symphony auditions, complete theatre school and adult class offerings, performance listings, tickets, cast lists, video promos, posters, press, and more. Click on "Join Mailing List" to receive electronic performance announcements and behind-the-scenes news.

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