



A Newsletter of the Devonshire Cultural Center

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Camps with New Adventures and Classic Favorites!

Imagine, you are in the warm sunshine, with friends; singing, dancing, practicing stagecraft or performing circus feats. You are cooking, building Lego structures, or learning Spanish. You are exploring the world through different cultures. These are the experiences offered this summer through Devonshire Cultural Center camps.

New Camp Adventures!

Engineering FUNDamentals & Pre-Engineering with LEGO - Play-well engineering instructors guide school age campers in these two week sessions, Mondays-Fridays mornings at Jane Stenson School. Pre-Engineering camp is full but we encourage those on the waiting list to check in with us. Both of these camps are currently full but we encourage those on the waiting list to check in with us.

Kids Cooking Camp is led by Chefs Stacey Schwartz and Danny Krueger and will offer 2 - four week sessions, Mondays, Wednesdays, & Friday mornings in Devonshire. Spaces are still available.

Camp Classics

Camp Amigos - Sue Gaertner leads young campers in an exploration of the Spanish culture at Jane Stenson School. Four week sessions are available with options to attend Monday-Thursday or Tuesdays & Thursday mornings. Spaces are still available.

Circus Camp - This just in....The location for Circus Camp this year will be Jane Stenson School. Director James Schubert and aerialists, jugglers, gymnasts, and clowns will be ready for fun. Camp runs for 2 - four week sessions, Mondays-Fridays, morning to afternoon. Circus camp is full but we encourage those on the

waiting list to check in with us.

Dance Intensive Camp - Alisa Marier returns to direct this camp with instructors: Rachel Dubrow, Dana Omar, & Elizabeth Yerkovich. Camp runs two weeks, August 8-19, Mondays-Fridays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Spaces are still available.

Little Travelers - Jodie Gomez will again direct these young campers in a creative exploration of the world around them. Available in two and four week sessions, Mondays-Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Camp is full at this time but we encourage those on the waiting list to check in us.

Summer On Broadway Camps - Three camps include performance for grades 2-4 and 5-8, then Behind the Scenes camp for grades 8-10. Dana Omar and Alisa Marier return to direct this camp which is available for two, four week sessions, Mondays-Fridays, morning to afternoon. New areas include theatre makeup and costume design. Limited spaces are still available in camp.

World Travelers - Director, Saul Lieberman returns with arts, music and dance specialists to lead campers in a trip around the world. Camp is available in two and four week sessions, Mondays-Fridays, morning to afternoon. full but we encourage those on the waiting list to check in with us.

Questions? Pick up a copy of our Camp Brochure at your nearest Skokie Park District center, see our website at www.skokieparkdistrict.org or give us a call at 847-674-1500 ext. 2400. ➡

Recital Etiquette

Spring is an exciting season for music and dance. With each student working hard, recitals are their opportunity to show off their amazing progress. Music Recitals are scheduled for May 15 and May 22 at Devonshire Cultural Center. Dance Recital is Sunday, June 12 at 1 pm at Niles West High School. Recitals are just around the corner and we would like to remind everyone of recital etiquette.

1. Come on time and be prepared. Don't forget your music or any dance attire that you may need for the recital.
2. Remain attentive and quiet during the performance.
3. Please do not leave in the middle of the performance. If you must leave, then sit toward the back so it does not disturb the performance.
4. Turn off all cell phones and electrical devices.
5. Performers should refrain from chewing gum or eating during the performance.

Proper performance attire includes:

1. Please wear slacks or a dress. Jeans are not appropriate for this special event.
2. Wear a nice shirt but no T- Shirts.

The Devonshire Music and Dance Instructors appreciate your cooperation and look forward seeing everyone at the upcoming recitals. ❖❖



Kids Cooking Camp

Let your child's taste buds explode while they learn to cook! This camp gives kids the opportunity to learn new cooking skills while creating delicious treats that they will be able to make again and again.

Children will learn about new foods, how to follow directions and will learn a practical use of math and science. Creating from scratch fosters independence and allows children to feel proud of what they made. Safe kitchen practices are always followed. Your little chefs will enjoy this fun camp taught by Chef Stacey and Chef Danny. Kids Cooking Camps are for campers age 7 to 16.

For more information, please contact Caryn Watson at 847-929-7410. ❖❖

Spring Time with Early Childhood

With warmer days coming, it is a good time to check out new Early Childhood classes where your child can broaden horizons and make new friends!

For 3 – 5 year olds, “Gym & Lunch “on Monday mornings is a way to get exercise while playing games and sports. Then enjoy being with your friends over lunch. “Beginning Writers” on Tuesday mornings lets children use imaginations as they tell stories through drawings and dictation.

For working parents, we offer a Friday evening class “Night Time Stories and Songs”. It's a way to unwind with your child after a long, busy week. “Sunshine Saturdays” is a great weekend class. It gives parents a chance to catch up on errands or free time as their child has fun in free play, arts and crafts.

On Friday mornings experience “Around the World”. Each week a new country will be spotlighted through art, music and folklore.

We offer two enriching music classes for the children under the age of 3. Children and parents enjoy singing, playing musical games and exploring instruments.

Help grow your child's imagination. Come check us out and join in on the fun. ❖❖

Selecting the Perfect Preschool

What should you look for in a quality preschool and what makes Devonshire preschool so special? Experience- abounds in our wonderful and dedicated staff. Our teachers are certified and have a combined total of 115 years of teaching experience.

Classrooms- are bright and spacious. Rooms are set up for the enjoyment of children. Art centers, housekeeping and block areas as well as quiet spaces are an example of what children will use each day. Licenses-by the Department of Children and Family Services of Illinois. We have yearly inspections and our certification is renewed every two years.

Ratios- are maintained at a 10:1 ratio for all classrooms. Open Door Policy- for parents, who are always welcome. Many events are only possible with the help and support of our parents.

Caring and Nurturing- provides a warm and loving environment where children are respected and given the tools they need to develop into caring individuals. Kindness and sharing are developed as they are guided through this important time.

If you would like to learn more about the preschool, please call or stop by the Devonshire Cultural Center. We will be happy to show you around! ♦♦

New! Learn to Use Your Digital Camera

This summer, Devonshire will offer an exciting series of digital photo workshops taught by professional photographer, Robert E. Potter III. Basic Digital Photography, focuses on understanding the unique features and operation of the digital camera as well as how to get better images from it. Then choose either the "point and shoot" camera workshop or the Digital Single Lens Reflex (DSLR) camera class. Join the three Photo Safari Workshops: to the Chicago Botanic Gardens, the Northshore Channel Park sculpture park, and to Emily Oaks Nature Center. The final trip will prepare you for the annual Emily Oaks Nature Photography contest.

Workshops are conveniently scheduled on Sunday afternoons this summer. See the Summer Brochure for details. ♦♦

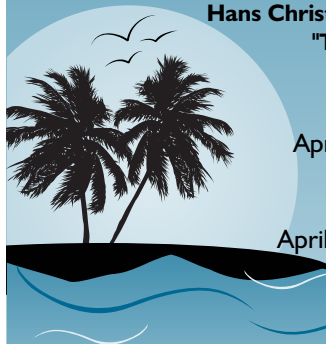
Adult Performances to Children's Theatre, Devonshire Playhouse has it all!

A wealth of talent which will grace the Devonshire Playhouse stage this spring! We are proud to present the following productions:

Devonshire Children's Theatre Presents:

Once On This Island Jr.

A Caribbean adaptation of the popular
Hans Christian Andersen fairy tale
"The Little Mermaid"



Friday-Saturday,
April 29 and 30 at 7 p.m.
&
Saturday-Sunday,
April 30 and May 1 at 3 p.m.

Tickets are \$8 -10 and are available at
the Devonshire Cultural Center.

Devonshire Playhouse Adult Theatre Presents:



Performances:

Saturdays, June 11 & 18 at 7 p.m.
Sundays, June 12 & 19 at 3 p.m.

Tickets: \$9-\$11

Fathers Day Special: Dad's get half price

Devonshire Cultural Center Event Calendar

- April 4-May 27** Spring Classes Begin
- April 10, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.**..... Skokie’s Spring Greening at Niles North High School
- April 13, 7:00 p.m.**..... Devonshire Theatre Guild Meeting
- April 14 & 15** Performances of the Preschool production of “The Little Red Hen”
- April 29 & 30, 7 p.m.**..... Performances of “Once On This Island Jr.”
- April 30-May 1, 3 p.m** Performances of “Once On This Island Jr.”
- May 15 & 22** Devonshire Music Recitals Times To Be Announced
- May 21 & 22, 11 a.m. – 7 p.m.**..... Skokie Festival of Cultures at Oakton Park
- May 24-27 Times TBA**..... Preschool Graduation and End of the Year Party
- June 2 & June 11 Times TBA**..... Devonshire Dance Recital at Niles West High School
- June 11 & 18, 7 p.m.** Performances of “Rent”
- June 12, 18, & 19 20, 3 p.m.** Performances of “Rent”

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