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Theater is evolving. What do Aida, American Idiot, Chess and Mama Mia have in common? All are award-winning Broadway shows that were written by rock composers!

Dear Parents,

Our Rock n’ Pop Theater Camp has become a favorite for campers and staff alike and we are very happy to again bring this one-week camp to our community! The camp’s focus will be two-fold: first, to create an intensive theatrical experience where children learn stage production, improvisation, acting technique and character development, stage presence, performance skills and music. A performance at the end of camp will highlight their efforts, energies and talents as the campers perform the musical “Cool Dude and Slug’s Big Dream” followed by a concert.

Second, the campers will explore the fundamentals of concert performance and create and perform their own ROCK CONCERT! The camp show has become an anticipated summer highlight for both campers and their families and community members as well.

This year we are excited to have not one, but two directors running Rock n’ Pop Theater Camp. We are privileged and excited to welcome experienced children’s theater director and educator Nancy Bondurant-Couch and singer, songwriter, producer and award winning after-school program developer Kelly Wohlford. Using their collective decades of experience and fueled with highly honed skills including theater, character development, vocal coaching and technique, script writing, conducting, sound engineering and song writing and arrangement, Bondurant-Couch and Wohlford will lead the campers through a week of exploration, imagination, and the ins and outs of performing in a musical and in a concert. As part of their character development, at the beginning of the week, campers will be sent home with assignments to help them put together their costume for the play, as well as work on their lines and songs.

The camp will be held at the Roxbury Arts Group’s venue 76 MAIN! in Stamford weekdays from July 8th – July 12th from 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. and culminate in a Camp Show the evening of July 12th at 7:00 pm. Each camper will be given two comps to be used for the camp show. Reservations are strongly recommended as there is limited seating in the Carriage House theater at 76 MAIN! Any extra tickets needed for the camp performance, beyond the two complimentary tickets provided to each camper, may be purchased through the Roxbury Arts Group by calling 607.326.7908, or by visiting www.roxburyartsgroup.org and paying online. Advance tickets are $10 per adult and $8 per senior or per student and all tickets are $14 the day of the performance. A closing night party is given for the campers and we ask parents to help with coordinating and supplying the party food.

Early registration:
Registrations received by June 1, 2013, the fee for the 1-week camp is $150 per child.

Registrations received after June 1, 2013:
Registration received after the June 1st deadline, the fee for the 1-week camp is $200 per child.

Scholarships:
Youth scholarships are available. To find out more about scholarships, or for any other questions regarding camp, please call 607.326.7908, or email mcullen@roxburyartsgroup.org.
Car-pooling:
Once campers are registered, parents will be given a camp contact list to arrange car-pooling, if they desire.

Enclosed you will find the Rock n’ Pop Theater Camp registration form, along with a more extensive description of the camp in Rock Pop FAQs, a camp waiver form and a medical waiver form. Please complete all forms and return them to The Roxbury Arts Group to register.

We are very excited to be able to offer our local and visiting children the opportunity to work with prolific professionals such as Nancy Bondurant-Couch and Kelly Wohlford and to have the opportunity to develop their cultural interests while having a unique, fun-filled summer experience. We hope to see many of you soon! Registration is now open and spots fill quickly, so please return your completed application to us as soon as possible to guarantee your child’s spot in The Roxbury Arts Group’s 2013 Rock n’ Pop Theater Camp.

Very truly yours,

Maggie Cullen, Program Director
Encls: Rock n’ Pop FAQs, Medical Release, Waiver, Registration form