

## VIRTUAL THEATER CAMP AT PORTLAND STAGE

### Our Virtual Camps...

- Are active, fun, engaging, and focus on getting campers MOVING and CREATING. Participants will play interactive games, do physical activities, act out monologues and scenes, create their own skits & scenes, participate in arts & crafts activities, go on in-home scavenger hunts, and more!
- Require low parent involvement (depending on the age of your camper, we know that some campers will need help with technical elements. Beyond that - we keep them occupied throughout the day, except for during lunch breaks).
  - One parent said our Virtual April Camp “was a shockingly successful experience. We both had really busy work weeks and were absolutely able to turn off from parenting during camp hours. Our kid loved it and looked forward to camp starting each morning. We were so surprised and pleased!”
- Camp days will include both on and off-screen time and a diversity of types of activities to keep campers engaged throughout the day.

### What Happens At Camp?

- Campers will participate in acting activities, play games, do physical & vocal warmups, act out scenes and/or monologues, create their own skits, go on in-house scavengers hunts, do arts & crafts, and more!

### Camp Packet:

- Each camper will receive a camp packet with the materials they will need for week.
- Packets will include information camp days, materials for daily activities, materials for arts & crafts and other projects, additional optional activities, and more!
- We will also be digitally sending out additional materials throughout the week (printing is not necessary for these digital materials, but if you have a printer and would like to print - that works great too!).

### What your participant will need:

- Laptop, Tablet, iPad, or iPhone
- Zoom app (for phones, ipads, etc.)
- A working, tested microphone and audio system (if you have successfully used your device for a video chat it will work!)
- A space that allows participants to stand up & move around & still be on camera
- Something to write with & write on (paper & pencil or electronic device)
- Some camp-specific materials (like scissors, stapler, tape, crayons, markers, etc.). We will tell families what is required for the camp you are signed up. Anything you do not have at home, we can provide in the camp packet or help

you come up with suitable alternatives.

**Schedule:**

- Full Day camps will run from 9am-2pm with a 1 hour lunch break, snack break (with the option of on or off-screen), and on & off-screen time throughout the day.
- Half Day camps will be 3 hours with opportunities for breaks and on & off-screen time.

**Platform:**

- We will be using Zoom as our platform.
- We have successfully used Zoom for our virtual programs this spring and feel confident in our safety protocols and our ability to use the platform to create an engaging week of theater magic.

**Other Things of Note:**

- Campers are always welcome to mute their video if they would prefer not to be on camera. There will be some activities where cameras are needed to participate, and we will invite participants to turn their cameras on for those activities.
- Families will be given contact information (phone numbers & emails) if any issues should arise during the camp day or throughout the week.