

CHAMPS Charter High School
Performing Arts Academy
Audition Process

All Applicants

- **Students should bring a pencil and light snack.**
- **Students should come dressed for their audition. There will not be changing facilities.**
- **All students must arrive 30 minutes prior to their appointment time. The audition process for Dance applicants will require approximately 2 hours. Music and Drama applicants will receive an appointment time prior to the audition date, and will take about 10 – 15 minutes. Parents will not be allowed in the audition room and should plan an activity in the area until it is time to pick up their children.**
- **Students may audition for more than one academy, but if the student is accepted to more than one academy, he/she must pick one major. There are no dual majors.**
- **Once accepted, if a student decides to change majors during the school year, that student must audition and be accepted to that academy.**
- **Students will not be admitted solely on the basis of their audition. Students must provide evidence of a satisfactory academic record.**
- **Students will be notified via e-mail of their acceptance.**
- **Once accepted, the parent must contact CHAMPS Charter High School of the student's acceptance and declaration of a major by March 1, 2009, or we cannot guarantee a place for that student.**

Dance Academy Audition

- Applicants will participate in both a ballet and modern dance class.
- This will allow the instructors to assess body alignment, dance technique and performance skills.
- The dance class will be followed by individual interviews.
- A panel of dance instructors will evaluate applicants throughout this process.

Dance Attire

- Ladies must wear a black leotard, with black or pink tights, and hair pulled back.
 - Gentlemen must wear black tights or black sweat pants with a fitted white t-shirt.
 - All applicants should bring ballet slippers.
 - No jewelry please.
- ◆ Dance attire may be purchased at the following stores:

Capezio Dance Shop
7120 Topanga Canyon Blvd.
Canoga Park, CA. 91303
818-348-4488

Capezio Dance Shop
1777 N. Vine St.
Hollywood, CA. 90028
323-465-3744

Danny's Warehouse
5701 W. Adams
Los Angeles, CA. 90016
323-954-8973

Dance Apparel Warehouse
6010 Yolanda Ave,
Tarzana, CA 91356
(818) 344-3224

(Every item in the Dannys is \$10.00.
Tights are \$3.00)

Drama Academy Audition

- Perform two contrasting (one minute) monologues. The monologues should be from published plays or monologue books.
- The monologues should be memorized and the characters should be close to the student's age.
- Please avoid verse, classical works, original material, and screenplays.
- Please do not wear costumes or large jewelry.
- An interview will immediately follow the applicant's monologue presentation.

Suggested plays in which to find monologues:

PLAYS FOR YOUNG LADIES

The Member Of the Wedding	McCullers, C.
A Raisin In The Sun	Hansberry, L.
A Taste Of Honey	Delaney, S.
A Young Lady Of Prosperity	Foote, H.
Blue Denim	Herlihy, J. L.
Brighton Beach Memoirs	Simon, N.
Butterflies Are Free	Gershe, L.
Crimes Of The Heart	Henley, B.
Identity Crisis	Durang, C.
Does a Tiger Wear A Necktie	Peterson, D.
The Fantasticks	Schmidt & Jones
Feiffer's People	Feiffer, J.
Happy Birthday, Wanda June	Vonnegut, K.
In White America	Duberman, M.
Our Town	Wilder, T.
Summer And Smoke	Williams, T.
The Bad Seed	Anderson, M.
The Children's Hour	Hellman
The Matchmaker	Wilder, T
The Rainmaker	Nash, R.

PLAYS FOR YOUNG MEN

A Raisin In The Sun	Hansberry, L
Ah, Wilderness	O'Neill, E.
Angels Fall	Willson, L.
Biloxi Blues	Simon, N.
Blue Denim	Herlihy, J. L.
Brighton Beach Memoirs	Simon, N.
Butterflies Are Free	Gershe, L.
Feiffer's People	Feiffer, J.
In White America	Duberman, M.
No Time For Sergeants	Lenin, L.
Our Town	Wilder, T.
Summertree	Cowen, R.
Take A Giant Step	Peterson, L.
The Dark At The Top Of The Stairs	Inge, W.
The House Of Blue Leaves	Guare, J.
The Matchmaker	Wilder, T.
The Rainmaker	Nash, R.
Winterset	Anderson, M.

Plays may be found or purchased at the following locations:

- ◆ *Your Local Library*
- ◆ *Barnes and Noble or Borders*
- ◆ *Samuel French Theater and Film Book Shop*
11963 Ventura Blvd.
Studio City, CA. 91604
818-762-0535
- ◆ *Samuel French Theater and Film Book Shop*
7623 Sunset Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA. 90046
323-876-0570

Music Academy Audition

Vocal

- The applicant will sing back short melodies played for him/her to demonstrate tonal memory.
- Prepare and perform one musical selection a cappella – without accompaniment.
- Vocal students are allowed to accompany themselves on piano or guitar.
- All song styles are acceptable, but do not intentionally mimic a popular performer's style. We are looking for originality and technical proficiency.
- You may prepare an entire song, but the panel may stop you before you complete your selection.

Instrumental

- The applicant will tap back rhythmic patterns that are tapped for him/her to test rhythmic memory.
- Prepare and perform one musical selection that demonstrates your musicianship and technical proficiency.
- Take a sight-reading test (Instrumental applicants only).
- Your previous training is unimportant, as long as you can display your innate or practiced talent.

(CHAMPS Music Academy will include Music Theory, Vocals, Piano, Percussion, Jazz Ensemble, and Recording Technology for the Fall Semester of the 2009-2010 school year.)