

Who We Are...

Camp CenterStage creates a safe and supportive environment for young artists who value serving each other and their communities through the use of their talents. We are committed to nurturing young artists of all experience levels in a non-competitive and encouraging setting. CCS's invigorating program offers campers the opportunity to learn valuable life skills through a variety of arts and traditional camp experiences, including: acting, music, performance skills, dance, creative writing, film making, variety arts, water sports and more.

WHEN: August 15 - 26, 2012

WHERE: Camp Agawam, nestled on the shores of Crescent Lake in Raymond, Maine

FACILITIES: Small wooden cabins with electricity create the perfect environment for learning, sharing and growing. This 65-acre campus offers swimming, kayaking, hiking, tetherball, and many studio and performance spaces for all of CCS's workshops, masterclasses and activities. Professional food service staff provide balanced meals and snacks, including vegetarian dishes.

WHO: Boys and girls ages 8 - 17 with Counselor in Training (CIT) opportunities for 16 & 17 year olds, who love the excitement of theater, the performing arts, and community service. The choice is yours - music, drama, dance, art, writing, film or technical theater - everyone shares in the excitement of working towards the Final Showcase featuring all of the campers.

WHY: To become a part of a unique community of artistic self expression. CCS is a judgment-free environment where campers are encouraged to explore and share their gifts and talents.

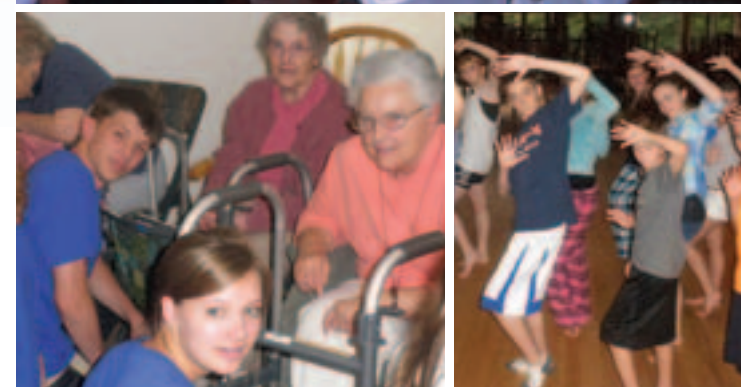


Registration Information:

- Tuition is \$1325, which includes:
 - * Final Showcase DVD
 - * 2 camp t-shirts (one to tie-dye!)
 - * All meals and housing (room and board)
 - * All off-campus transportation
- \$300 (non-refundable) deposit is required to reserve your spot
- Discounted tuition if enrolled by February 29
- \$250 discount for each additional family member
- Balance due in full by May 15, 2012
- Need-based scholarships available



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**Wednesday, August 15 to
Sunday, August 26**

**Final Full Camp Showcase:
August 26th at 1:30PM**

"providing an experience that combines the performing arts and traditional camp activities as a way to teach positive life and leadership skills"

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A Typical Day at Camp CenterStage

- 7:30 Full Camp Assembly
- 8:00 Breakfast
- 8:30 Mentor meetings - based on age & interest
- 9:00 Morning Studios / Masterclasses
- 10:00 Morning Rotation (Sing, Dance, Movement)
- 11:00 Recreation / Waterfront / Rehearsals
- Noon Lunch
- 12:30 Siesta / Cabin Time (rotating days)
- 1:00 Full Camp Rehearsal / Projects (rotating days)
- 2:00 Afternoon Rotation (Sing, Dance, Movement)
- 3:00 Specialty Workshops
- 4:15 Recreation / Waterfront / Rehearsals
- 5:00 Full Camp Assembly
- 5:30 Dinner
- 6:00 Cabin Clean-Up
- 6:45 Evening Activity
- 8:30 Cabin Time (for younger campers)
- 9:00 Cabin Time (for older campers)
- 10:00 Lights out / Camper Curfew

“Thank you, Camp CenterStage, for providing the best summer camp experience so sad to leave, and after meeting many of the staff and counselors, I can see why. What a special group of people! Keep up the great work!”

Studio Descriptions

Theater Dance explores the many forms of dance performed in musical theater. Using jazz, tap and improv, this studio learns and rehearses some of Broadway's classic and contemporary hits with opportunities to perform in talent shows and the Final Showcase.

Musical Theater combines singing techniques with movement, while exploring character development through warm-up exercises, improvisation and theater games. Musical numbers with featured solos will be rehearsed and performed in talent shows and the Final Showcase.

Creative Writing provides an atmosphere where campers are encouraged to have their voices heard. Including poetry, song lyrics, guerrilla writing and interview techniques - campers use their creative writing skills, theatrical abilities, camp experiences and sense of humor to create a final product to be shared with campers and parents.

Exploring Art nurtures every camper's creativity with a wide variety of activities, from traditional to contemporary. Creative expression is a wonderful way for camper to enhance their sense of self. Art activities include: greeting card making, duct tape construction, mask-making, sketching, stamping, the art of trash and much more!

Exploring Acting & Theater Games allows campers to explore their fundamental tools: voice, body and imagination in this active, high-energy studio. Campers will focus on how to build a believable character along with script analysis. Campers will also be exposed to many of creativity building theater games and activities.

Trash Band creates an ensemble of rhythm with creative sounds of buckets, trash barrels, tin cans, and much more! One camper's trash is another camper's treasure! Campers develop percussion techniques, listening skills, and cooperation while working towards a final performance piece! Who knew trash could be this fun?!

Film Making MasterClass* explores the film-making process from beginning to end by helping campers develop a narrative into a storyboard, casting it, shooting it, and finally, editing it. Various aspects of media will be practiced - from camera work to screen acting - with opportunities available on both sides of the camera. Final products from this MasterClass will be included on the CCS DVD!

More Musical Theater MasterClass* takes campers' musical theater performance skills to the next level. Make your musical number stand out by strategically combining strong singing skills with dance and movement. Campers will develop a warm-up routine as well as relaxation practices in preparation for auditions. Performance pieces will be rehearsed and performed for camp talent shows and the final Showcase.

Acting on the Next Level MasterClass* explores character development, script analysis and monologue preparation. Campers learn vocal, physical and mental skills which help create a character from the top of their heads to the tips of their toes. Relaxation, focus and creativity games will also be used.

** campers enrolled in MasterClasses must be at least 13 years old at the time of camp*

Daily Workshop Offerings

This list is an example of daily offerings at CCS - for a complete list visit our website

- tie-dye
- mask making
- soccer / kickball / touch football
- audition master workshop
- theater games
- sign language
- ballet
- hip-hop
- mime
- accents & dialects
- drum circle
- morning hikes
- acting for the camera
- auditioning for commercials
- yoga
- team building

CCS Faculty

Please visit our website for detailed bios and additional staff.

Alexis Dascoulias (*Camp Director*) with a BA in theater education and 20 years experience as a teacher, director, camp director and producer returns for her 10th summer at Agawam. Currently Alexis serves as the Executive Director for Maui OnStage.

Jeffrey Elwood (*Assistant Camp Director*) with 15 years experience working with students in music, theater camps and sports returns for his 10th summer at Agawam.

Steven Dascoulias (*Activities Director*) with 25 years experience as a professional actor/singer; voice instructor, director and musical director returns for his 9th summer at Agawam.

Kathy Fink (*Musical Director*) with a MA in Music History and 25 years experience as music teacher, music director and accompanist returns for her 5th summer at Agawam.

Brian Swasey (*Dance Director*) with a BA in theater performance and over 15 years as an international performer, choreographer, director and artistic director returns for his 3rd summer at Agawam.

Lisa Forsley (*Visual Arts Director*) holds a BA in Art and is a Certified Art Specialist and Early Childhood certified, and is a Costume Designer. Lisa returns for her 8th year at Agawam!

Additional Key Staff include:

- Shay Willard (*Media Coordinator*)
- Anna Visciano (*Outreach Coordinator*)
- Susan Battye (*Communications Director*)
- John Battye (*Mentoring Coach*)
- Carla Murphy, RN (*Camp Nurse*)

"I'll always remember my time here at CCS - I never want to leave!"



Camp Features:

- Outstanding, professionally trained faculty
- Guest artists and teachers
- Daily workshop classes selected by campers
- Comprehensive music, dance, theater, writing and arts curriculum
- Commitment to all interest and experience levels
- Camper and Staff talent shows
- Non-competitive environment
- Drive-In Movie night
- Full camp dance
- Camp-wide events
- Off campus Outreach trip
- Daily swimming opportunities
- Spacious landscaped grounds offering opportunities for sports, hiking, yoga, reflection and exploration
- Dining Hall with salad and fruit bar
- Registered nurse on staff
- A supportive and extremely active environment, allowing campers to share everything they love
- A place where everyone can share your dreams!

Visit www.campcenterstage.org for more details, including registration information.

Questions?

Please email info@campcenterstage.org or call 603-294-4926

