



LET'S DANCE

Dancing styles from 1920 to 2017

A group of friends see some "youngsters" dancing, and they start to reminisce about their meeting at a dance in the 20s and all of their years of dancing and friendship.



CINEMAGIC PERFORMANCE

Rancho Campana High School

April 7 and 8, 2017

Friday 7:00 p.m.

Saturday Matinee 1:00 p.m.

Saturday 7:00 p.m.

2017 Handbook

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CineMagic is a comprehensive musical theatrical production, which provides students with a fulfilling activity in a safe, nurturing environment where differences are valued and celebrated. **CineMagic** is sponsored by the Pleasant Valley Education Foundation (PVEF) and Pleasant Valley School District (PVSD), for Camarillo students in grades 3-8. Participation in the program requires no prior experience, only the desire to participate and perform in **CineMagic**. Under the program's direction, your children will have the opportunity to develop new talents, gain confidence and make new friends while preparing to perform in a large theater venue.

Through **CineMagic**, PVEF & PVSD provide standards-aligned performing arts instruction which the schools can no longer afford. Respected studies show that students highly involved in the arts earn better grades, score better on standardized tests, and perform more community service. Participation in arts programs like **CineMagic** increases the self-confidence, creativity, academic, and civic engagement of Camarillo's children.

Throughout their experience, your children will be taught to take direction and focus on specific tasks, build team-working skills, overcome shyness, increase self-confidence and develop stage presence.

By developing their talents in singing, dancing and acting, **CineMagic** participants acquire lifetime skills of leadership, communication, discipline, teamwork, and a strong work ethic.

Contact Information

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- CineMagic Registrar – Hannah Foote - pvefcinemagic@gmail.org
- PVEF Executive Director – Sharon Taylor – staylor@pvef.org

Please be reminded that all dates and times including but not limited to rehearsals, Picture Day, costume rehearsals, etc. may change. We will notify you in advance of any changes. We hope we won't have many changes, but as life happens and rehearsals begin, things may come up that are beyond our control. We thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.

ONLINE REGISTRATION - <http://pvef.org/events>

For registration and policy questions contact: Sharon Taylor, Exec. Dir.
805-444-1989 - staylor@pvef.org.

COSTS INVOLVED:

Participation fee

\$160 first child and \$130 for each additional child per family.

Fees may be paid in 1, 2, or 3 installments upon registration online or at Orientation (\$50), Casting Day (\$55), and first day of rehearsal (\$55). Installments may also be paid online. Be prepared to register and pay at least \$50 by Orientation November 2, 2016.

This fee is non-refundable. We accept cash, checks, Visa and MasterCard.

Participation Fee includes:

- 12- 14 weeks of instruction in singing, dancing, speaking, acting
- Instruction in theater protocol, terms, and history.
- CineMagic t-shirt
- Practice CD and lyric sheets
- Two or more costumes
- Make-up Enhancement
- At least 2 performances on a professional stage
- Souvenir printed CineMagic program
- 1 DVD per family
- Cast party

CineMagic Participation Grants/Scholarships are available

Applicants are asked to pay a \$30 minimum registration fee and submit a CineMagic Participation Grant Application form along with some proof of income. Parents should be aware that Grants/Scholarships may cover the full fee or only a portion of the fee. The minimum payment may also be paid in 3 installments. You may obtain the form on the pvef.org website.

Questions may be directed to

PVEF Treasurer Darren Patnoe - dpatnoe@pvef.org or

Sharon Taylor, PVEF Executive Director 805-444-1989 staylor@pvef.org

PARENT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The success of CineMagic depends entirely upon volunteer help. Without the help of volunteers, including you, there would be no CineMagic. **All parents are required to help in some way.**

REHEARSAL VOLUNTEERS:

Song Captains:

- Supervise DITs (Directors in Training) in taking attendance, distributing name tags at each rehearsal, vocal warm-ups, and general decorum. Accept phone calls from parents to be communicated to the Directors re: absences etc. Correct minor behavior issues, in rehearsals. Assist directors as needed with music, choreography, and costumes. Make sure all printed materials are distributed. Sign off on DIT's time cards at the end of each rehearsal.
- Time commitment is every week during your child's rehearsal time.

Rehearsal Monitors: Supervise children who are coming to, or going from rehearsal. Make sure no child leaves without an adult unless they have written permission from the parent. Answer questions and make sure only authorized personnel go into the rehearsal area.

Backstage Help during Dress Rehearsals and all rehearsals and shows at the Theatre. Assist the performers in the dressing rooms, going on and off stage, first aid, checking in. This job includes a commitment to working at some Dress rehearsals and one of your child's performances.

PUBLICITY VOLUNTEERS:

School Representatives: Distribute information regarding CineMagic to local schools.

Donations: Contact local businesses to advertise CineMagic performances and obtain donations and sponsorships.

PRODUCTION VOLUNTEERS:

Cashiers: Assist with collecting money at Auditions, at Casting Day, and at other times when money is being collected.

Distribution: Assist at Casting Day with distribution of CDs, Cast assignments, costume information, t-shirts, etc.

Movers: Helpers to load sets into the truck to be transported to the theater and move items from the truck to the stage. After performances, move sets and props back to the rehearsal studio. High School boys welcome!

Hair & Make-up: Assist with hair and make-up during Saturday dress rehearsals and at the theater.

Sound and Lighting: Assist with microphones and sound during Saturday dress rehearsals. Assist with sound and lighting at the theater during rehearsals and performances. (Experienced only, please)

Photographer: Take group and individual pictures of performers for Photo Day

Theater Help: Assist in selling and/or distributing floral bouquets, concessions, tickets, and ushering or backstage behind the scenes.

Costume Seamstresses: Assist Costume Chairs in sewing costumes or embellishing ready-made costumes. Mend costumes as needed.

Props: Help design, acquire, or put together prop pieces for the show. Put your sales talents to work by soliciting donations from local businesses, if needed.

Sets: The director needs a “right hand man” and assistants to help design and build sets, large and small. We also need **artists** to bring the director’s vision to life.

DIT (Directors in Training) program

- DIT program registration will be available for 6th, 7th and 8th graders and is an opportunity to gain leadership and management skills as assistants to the Song Captains and Directors.
- DITs will be required to attend additional rehearsals adjacent to their own rehearsals in order to receive community service hours.

Alumni & High School Student Volunteer Opportunities

- **CineMagic Alumni:** Alumni are invited to perform in an exciting “Alumni” number in the show. Alumni are also encouraged to volunteer to help with the production, tech, backstage, hair/make-up etc. Community service hours will be accumulated for volunteers.
- **Non-Alumni High School Students:** You are invited to volunteer to help with the production, tech, backstage, hair/make-up etc. Community service hours will be accumulated for volunteers.

Expectations of CineMagic Participants

- Attend all assigned rehearsals and performance dates.
- Arrive on time and be prepared to get picked up on time. **For liability reasons, children are not allowed to walk home by themselves, unless a signed release is on file.**
- Listen to your music on the CD at home and **memorize the words.**
- Follow the instructions of your directors and assistants during rehearsals.

- **Don't commit to other practices or activities during your CineMagic rehearsal time.**
- **Be respectful to staff, DITs and other cast members before, during, and after rehearsals. If rehearsals are continually disrupted due to your actions, your parent(s) will be asked to attend all rehearsals to monitor your behavior.**
- Call your Song Captain if you have an emergency and will have to miss a rehearsal.
- Cast members are required to wear closed-toed shoes that stay on the feet for dancing. **No flip flops, sandals, heels, or wheelies.**
- No gum or food allowed in the rehearsal room. Water is okay.
- Your name should be written on all items you bring to rehearsals.
- Keep the rehearsal areas clean.
- All electronic items are NOT ALLOWED during rehearsals. Phones will be kept in a basket with a parent volunteer during rehearsals. If your phone rings a parent volunteer will find you to take the call if it is an emergency. Rehearsals are only a few hours a week and we need everyone's undivided attention during this time period. **If there is a reason you need to keep your cell phone on you during rehearsals, we need in writing from a parent the reasons.**
- ***Parents and participants must sign a contract agreeing to these behavior expectations at registration.***

EXPECTATIONS OF CINEMAGIC PARENTS

Ensure that your child attends all rehearsals and performances.

- Ensure your child arrives on time and is picked up on time.
- **Organize your child's schedule so there are not conflicts with any other activities.**
- Please make sure your child is reminded to be respectful to staff, DITs and other cast members before, during, and after rehearsals. If your child continually disrupts the rehearsal time, you will be asked to attend all of their rehearsals to monitor their behavior.
- Be an active Volunteer in the Program.
- All electronic items are NOT ALLOWED during rehearsals. Phones will be kept in a basket with a parent volunteer during rehearsals. We have had too many disruptions with performers always checking their phones or texting during rehearsal times. If you need to reach your child during rehearsal time, please call them and a parent volunteer will get them for you. Rehearsals are only a few hours a week and we need everyone's undivided attention during this time period. **If there is a reason your child needs to keep their cell phone on them during rehearsals, we need in writing from you (the parent) the reasons.**

REHEARSALS

- All rehearsals will be held at Cam Heights. Rehearsals are set for Wednesdays from 4:00 pm to 7:30 p.m. but your child will only have to be there for a 1 ½ time frame. The exact times will be determined when the casting is done. Saturday rehearsals will begin starting February 1 between 9:00 am and 12:00 pm – again for 1 ½ hour time frame. March will be dress rehearsals, and attendance at both Wednesday and Saturday rehearsals are important. Please note that times may change depending on how rehearsals are going. We may need to add extra time or dates to make sure the performers are ready for showtime.
- Performers come only for their songs, which are usually rehearsed for approximately one, 1 ½ hour period on Wednesday **and** one, 1 ½ hour period on Saturday. In January and February the rehearsal schedule remains about the same. We will attempt to give you as much advance notice of any changes in dates/times.
- In March the schedule is revised in order to run full show rehearsals.
- We ask that you please **Do Not** schedule your children for other activities during the CineMagic rehearsal time block, as their absence not only affects their own performance ability but that of other performers as well.
- **If your child misses 3 rehearsals of a particular song, they will be permanently dismissed from that song.**
- ***If your child is sick and cannot make a rehearsal, please call one of your Song Captains.*** (When you receive your casting day information you will receive your Song Captain's phone numbers)
- Please note that the CineMagic staff communicates any rehearsal information or changes by e-mail and posting information on our website at pvef.org as well as Facebook. We will also provide each performer with a hard copy of announcements or schedule changes at their rehearsal dismissal.
- **You are responsible to check for any rehearsal information.**

Check In and Dismissal:

- ALL CAST MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO CHECK IN WITH THEIR **SONG CAPTAIN** OR **DIT**, AT EACH REHEARSAL.
- PARENTS, PLEASE DELIVER AND PICK CHILDREN UP **PROMPTLY**.

We strongly recommend parents sign up to assist during rehearsals, as **Song Captains**, or other needed volunteers. Children (other than assigned DITs, not in the number being rehearsed), are not allowed in the rehearsal room. If you choose to be a silent observer, please check with Mrs. Allen before your child's rehearsal starts.

Shoes:

Cast members are required to wear closed-toed shoes that stay on the feet for dancing. **No flip flops, sandals, heels, or wheelies. NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Costume Check and Dress Rehearsals:

The first dress rehearsal and Costume Check date is to be determined. All cast members must come ½ hour early to their rehearsal time wearing their first **complete** costume, including shoes and other accessories.

Picture Day:

Picture Day date will be determined. All cast members must come 1 hour early to their regular rehearsal time wearing their **complete** costume.

Performance Week at the Theatre:

The last week of rehearsals will be held at Rancho Campana High School. There will be an **extended dress rehearsal** Mon. and Tues. and a shorter dress rehearsal on Wed. **Performances** are Friday night, Saturday matinee and Saturday night. More detailed information to follow.

Important Dates

The following events will all be held at:
Camarillo Heights STEM Academy (35 Catalina Dr, Camarillo)
(All times listed are p.m.)

January, February, March - Wednesdays 4:00 - 6:30 pm
February, March - Saturdays 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Feb ___ – Costume Check arrive ½ hour prior to rehearsal time
March ___ – Picture Day (arrive 1 hour prior to rehearsal time)
Dates and times to be determined

Important Dates for Theater Week 2017

The following events will all be held at:
Rancho Campana Performing Arts Center

April 4 & 5

Full cast rehearsal 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm

April 6

Full cast dress rehearsal 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm

April 7

Friday Evening performance Cast call 5:30 p.m.

April 8

Saturday Matinee performance Cast call 10:00, and
Saturday Evening performance Cast call 5:30 p.m.