

# DMTC's Young Performers' Theatre Applications to Direct for 2023-2024 Season

Davis Musical Theatre Company's Young Performers' Theatre ("YPT") is now accepting applications from potential directors for its 2023-2024 season. We have openings for two of our four productions (see below) for the next season. **The deadline for submitting proposals is February 15th, 2023.** Please note that this is a non-paid position.

Directors for these two show slots will be selected from applications for our 2023-2024 YPT Season. If an applicant is interested in directing more than one show, an application should be submitted for each show that person is interested in being considered for.

If an applicant has preferred time slots, that should be clearly noted in the application.

Applicants may choose from the pre-approved shows, or submit a proposal for another show of their choosing. Please note that shows for YPT are judged with the following criteria:

- Ability to draw performers and audience
- Medium to large size casts (we aim for 20-30 youth per cast)
- Inclusive of performers of our entire age range (7-17, or 18 if in high school)
- Length (We generally aim for Jr, Youth edition, or similar shows. KIDS versions are only 30 minutes and often too short; Full versions are often over 2 hours, which can be too long)

Note: We generally get our licenses from Musical Theatre International (MTI), Concord Theatricals, or Dramatic Publishing.

## SHOWS:

- High School Musical Jr - *MTI*
- Lightning Thief (Percy Jackson) - *Concord Theatricals*
- Mary Poppins Jr - *MTI*
- Moana Jr - *MTI*
- Show Suggested By Director

## TIME SLOTS:

Please note that slots 1 and 4 are already filled with Frozen Jr and Madagascar the Musical Adventure and not available for director applications this year.

- **2nd time slot:** Auditions: Mid-September. Rehearsals: Begin Monday following auditions and continue Mon thru Thurs, 4:30 to 6:30 pm, until opening in mid-November, with school matinees on a weekday during the middle of the show run, and show closing in early December.
- **3rd time slot:** Auditions: Mid-January. Rehearsals: Begin Monday following auditions and continue Mon thru Thurs, 4:30 to 6:30 pm, until opening in early March with school matinees on a weekday during the middle of the show run, and show closing at the end of March/early April.

**All shows run over four weekends: the first three Saturdays at 2:00pm, and on the final weekend: Friday night at 7:00 pm, and Saturday and Sunday afternoons at 2:00pm.**

## **Director Criteria**

The criteria for potential YPT directors include:

- successful experience as a director, and/or
- successful and substantial experience in one or more significant production jobs (e.g. stage manager, costumer, choreographer, music director, dance captain etc.)
- demonstrated experience working positively in a leadership capacity with young people is strongly preferred

## **How To Apply to Direct a DMTC YPT Show**

1. Please submit the following information :
  - a resume and/or summary that includes the following:
    - ❖ your contact information (name, address, email and phone number)
    - ❖ a listing and description of all, if any, directorial experience
    - ❖ a description of all theatre experience (on or off stage, pre-production and/or production experience, etc.)
    - ❖ detailed information (e.g. a summary) of any relevant experience you have working with youth between the ages of 7 and 17
2. Please submit a short description of your idea/vision for the show you would like to direct. Your description should include some information about how you envision sets, costumes, lights, choreography, character development, etc., or other relevant data to the production, and your preliminary plans for implementing these ideas.
3. Directing experience:
  - a. If you have been a director, briefly describe how your show(s) was successful and/or what you learned for your future shows. How would you apply that at DMTC?
  - b. If you have never directed before, what specific idea(s) do you plan on implementing? How would you apply them at DMTC?
4. Do you have any creative ideas to market this particular show?

## **Due Date**

Due: **February 15th, 2023**

To: YPT Committee: [davismusicaltheatrecompanyypt@gmail.com](mailto:davismusicaltheatrecompanyypt@gmail.com) or printed proposals may also be mailed or hand-delivered to: DMTC, 607 Pena Drive #10, Davis, CA 95618.

## Notification

All applicants will be notified no later than mid-April about final decisions, **made by the YPT committee**, for the season. All selected Directors for DMTC are required to become familiar with DMTC's YPT policies and practices (including the new COVID policy, <https://dmtc.org/yptcovid>) and observe these policies and practices throughout the production. DMTC may require a background check since you will be working with children.

Please feel free to direct any questions to the YPT Committee at [davismusicaltheatrecompanyypt@gmail.com](mailto:davismusicaltheatrecompanyypt@gmail.com) .

Thank you for your interest in DMTC's Young Performers Theatre.