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Welcome back!
We hope you are enjoying the simple pleasures of summer.

Christian Strong performs his solo song as a 2023 Jimmy Awards Finalist
(Photo: DLC Photography/ The Jimmy Awards)



In this edition of our newsletter, we share highlights from the 2023 Jimmy Awards, give you a sneak peak of the exciting things planned for our 23-24 Education & Outreach programs, and share updates from the inaugural ARISE program.

MISSION

CAPA's Education & Outreach programs enrich the lives of central Ohio residents by providing free and low-cost creative experiences that are varied, diverse, and accessible. We believe everyone in our community deserves to experience the transformative power of the arts and our many community collaborations enable us to fulfill that belief.

Click the apple to learn about CAPA education!



ARISE runs June 29–August 9! (Photo: Lydia Miller)



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In June, our Best Actor in a Leading Role winner, **Christian Strong** from Pickerington High School North and our Best Actress in a Leading Role winner, **Helena Engberg** from Olentangy High School received a CAPA-sponsored trip to New York City to attend the 2023 Jimmy Awards®

While there, they had many amazing opportunities including:

- Meeting and working with 94 nominees representing 47 regional markets from around the country.
- Ten days participating in individual coaching



Click the screen to watch the 2023 Jimmy Awards® recap video.

sessions and rehearsals for the 2023 Jimmy Awards® with industry professionals including Jenni Barber, Max Chernin, Maryann Hu, Adam Kantor, Telly Leung, Howard McGillin, and Desi Oakley.

- A surprise visit from Ben Platt, Noah Galvin, and Andrew Garth Feldman
- Dinner at Sardi's and a performance of MJ–The Musical and a talkback with the cast
- Having their headshots displayed in *The New York Times* and on a billboard in Times Square!
- Performing on the Minskoff stage on Broadway in the 2023 Jimmy Awards hosted by Corbin Bleu.



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2023 Jimmy Award nominees gather in Times Square. (Photo: DLC Photography/The Jimmy Awards)

Christian Strong, a rising senior at Pickerington High School North was named one of eight national finalists in the 2023 Jimmy Awards!

In the first half of the show, Christian performed “What a Woman Wants” from *Kinky Boots* in one of the character medleys. After intermission, he was named one of the finalists and during the second half of the show he performed the solo song “When Words Fail” from *Shrek the Musical*. As a Best Actor finalist, he received a **\$3,000** scholarship to use toward his education.

More than **140,000** students from around the country participated in regional

Click on the screen to watch Christian perform his solo song.”

awards programs this year, and **96** regional nominees from **48** regional markets went to New York to compete in the 2023 Jimmy Awards®. Of those 96 regional nominees, **8** semi-finalists and **8** finalists were named.

As our first CAPA Marquee Award winner to be named a finalist at the Jimmy Awards, we are thrilled that Christian’s talent, hard work, and dedication is being recognized and celebrated on the national level!

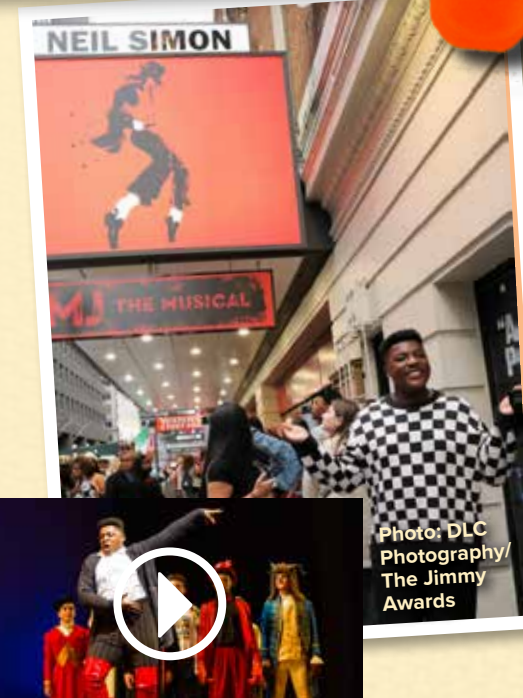


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Click on the screen to watch the Christian perform in the character medley.”



23-24 Passport to Learning Series

This season, we have an exciting lineup of shows for students in grades pre-K through high school! Carefully selected to enhance curriculum and make learning fun, the Passport to Learning Student Matinee Series makes language arts, social studies, math, and science come alive by using the power of the arts.



As part of CAPA's commitment to fight systemic racism in our community, we proudly present our **Social Justice Series** which explores the issues we continue to face as a community and a nation, through the perspectives of a range of outstanding artists of color.

Click on the Passport to learn more about the 2023-24 series.

The Adventures of Tortoise and Hare: The Next Gen

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Tortoise Junior and Lil' Hare begin a whole new kind of race where their adventures lead them into unexpected territory, and Old Man Tortoise and Big Daddy Hare must come together despite their differences to find and save their children. With dazzling visuals, poignant storytelling, and the creative

use of music from classical to pop, this production brings this tale into a brilliant new light.

October 27, 2023, 10 am & 12:30 pm
Davidson Theatre, Riffe Center

A Christmas Carol

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CAPA in collaboration with Short North Stage, will bring to life a brand-new, original production of this popular holiday classic featuring a creative team committed to offering a fresh, new take on a familiar story while maintaining the traditional elements that have made the Dickens tale a holiday

favorite for generations.

November 27, 2023, 10 am
Ohio Theatre

How to Survive Middle School

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Comedian Robert Post barely survived middle school. Struggling because of various learning disabilities, he found that making people laugh saved him. In this multimedia performance, kids talk to kids in a compelling, funny, and educational show about real issues affecting students today including social media,

testing, bullying and peer pressure.

November 9, 2023, 10 am & 12:30 pm
Davidson Theatre, Riffe Center

Mister C Live, Vol. 1 —Air is Everywhere

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Back by popular demand! Are you ready for some hair-raising science, toe-tapping music and mind-blowing media? Join Mister C for an amazing day of learning in the lab as he explores all things air! Mister C is no stranger to finding exciting and engaging ways to explore STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering,

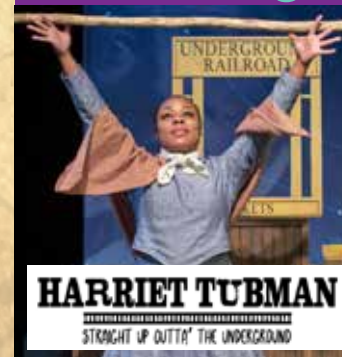
Art, and Math) in our everyday lives. Liquid Nitrogen, t-shirt cannons, toilet paper and ping pong ball launchers plus much, much, more in this STEAM powered show!

March 5, 2024, 10 am & 12:30 pm
Davidson Theatre, Riffe Center

Social Justice Series

Harriet Tubman: Straight Up Outta' the Underground

LEARN MORE



Nicknamed "Moses," Harriet Tubman lived up to her name by gaining her own freedom, as well as traveling back and forth from North to South over 19 times and freeing over 300 slaves! Play a part in this historic retelling, as you follow Harriet Tubman and uncover the truth about America's

200-year-old struggle with slavery. *Produced by TCT On Tour: A Division of the Children's Theatre of Cincinnati*

February 27, 2024, 10 am & 12:30 pm
Davidson Theatre, Riffe Center

Havana Hop

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Young Yeila dreams of being a superstar but her lack of confidence gives her awful stage fright. With advice from her mother and mentors, Yeila begins her journey to find her roots. Travel with Yeila as she visits her grandmother in Cuba to add a salsa flavor to her own hip-hop style. The audience get to dance along in this

dynamic participation play where one actress creates three generations of lively women.

April 15, 2024, 10 am & 12:30 pm
Lincoln Theatre

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Broadway for Kids APPLAUSE!

Click on the logo to learn more about the APPLAUSE program.



During the 2022–2023 season, we were thrilled to be able to award 1,183 subsidized tickets to students and educators from 21 schools in 7 central Ohio counties.

Thanks to the generous and ongoing support from our Broadway in Columbus season subscribers, we make the experience of Broadway available to the next generation of theatre goers in central Ohio.

Open to all public, private, and charter schools, this program provides subsidized tickets to help educators use the power of Broadway to serve as a tool to enhance their curriculum and make learning fun.



Eastmoor (Photo: Seth Harms)



Bishop Watterson (Photo: Liz O'Dorizio)



2023–24



SHOWS
Click to Apply

Applications open on August 7 and will remain open until all tickets are awarded. Educators who apply are asked to supply information about their school, their classroom, and how they will connect the Broadway show to their classroom curriculum. A lesson plan demonstrating those curricular connections is also required.

ARISE

Everyone has a story to share

Click on the logo to learn more about ARISE.

ARISE launched in June, and we are having a great time with this intergenerational program which explores storytelling through the arts.

ARISE (ARts through Intergenerational Social Engagement), a collaboration between CAPA, GrowIN, The Ohio State University, and Worthington Christian Village is a 5-week program.

The six ARISE Scholars selected to participate this year are Jierdynn Bateson from Olentangy Berlin High School, Sammi Berniger from Dublin Jerome High School, Killian Bush from Delaware Hayes High School, Gracie Clark from Upper Arlington High School, Nethmi Mahadanaarachchi from New Albany High School, and Estella Wood from Olentangy Liberty High School. Three mentors from Ohio State University and six residents from Worthington Christian Village make up the inaugural group of 15 participants.



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Photo: Lydia Miller

ARISE Scholars participated in two training sessions to prepare them for the five-week program. During the program which runs July 11–August 9, they participate in a variety of arts activities on Tuesdays and storytelling sessions with the residents of Worthington Christian Village on Wednesdays.

Sessions explore different ways to tell and share stories and include activities centered around visual arts, music, dance & movement, and drama.

On July 27, program participants attended Disney's FROZEN together at the Ohio Theatre.



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We bring the world of learning to our stages!

2022–2023 SEASON BY THE NUMBERS

1 Broadway in the Classroom pilot school

13 Individual & corporate sponsors for the Marquee Awards

25 Free school buses provided to schools for Passport Series

100 Schools that participated in CAPA educational programming

512 Adults and children who toured our historic theatres

Passport to Learning transportation and ticket assistance
\$10,434

30,000+ Free and subsidized tickets awarded this season

48,000+ Community members that participated in CAPA Education and Outreach programs

\$175,000+ Ticket and transportation subsidies awarded this season thanks to our generous donors and sponsors!

6 Passport to Learning shows

18 Schools that participated in Marquee Awards

53 Teaching artists who led workshops and master classes

1183 Subsidized tickets awarded through Broadway for Kids APPLAUSE program

WOW!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



JULY

- July 6 **ARISE**, Teen Training Session, 10:30 am–1:30 pm, Ohio Theatre
- July 11 **ARISE**, Week 1 Prep, 10:30 am–12:30 pm, Ohio Theatre
- July 12 **ARISE**, Session 1, 10:30 am–11:30 am, Worthington Christian Village
- July 18 **ARISE**, Week 2 Prep, 10:30 am–12:30 pm, Ohio Theatre
- July 19 **ARISE**, Session 2, 10:30 am–11:30 am, Worthington Christian Village
- July 25 **ARISE**, Week 3 Prep, 10:30 am–12:30 pm, Ohio Theatre
- July 26 **ARISE**, Session 3, 10:30 am–11:30 am, Worthington Christian Village
- July 27 **ARISE**, Participants attend *Disney's FROZEN*, 1 pm, Ohio Theatre

AUGUST

- August 1 **ARISE**, Week 4 Prep, 10:30 am–12:30 pm, Ohio Theatre
- August 2 **ARISE**, Week 4 Prep, 10:30 am–12:30 pm, Ohio Theatre
- August 7 **Broadway APPLAUSE Program**, Applications open, 10 am
- August 8 **ARISE**, Week 5 Prep, 10:30 am–12:30 pm, Ohio Theatre
- August 9 **ARISE**, Session 5, 10:30 am–11:30 am, Worthington Christian Village
- August 12–13 **Community Outreach**, Children's Activities at Festival Latino, Genoa Park
- August 14 **Passport to Learning**, Tickets on sale, 10 am
- August 15 **CAPA Marquee Awards**, School applications open, 12 pm
- August 22 **CAPA Marquee Awards**, School applications close, 12 pm

SEPTEMBER

- September 11 **CAPA Marquee Awards**, Returning Adjudicator Training, 6:30–8 pm, Zoom
- September 14 **CAPA Marquee Awards**, Mandatory School Meeting, 5:30–8 pm, Ohio Theatre
- September 21 **CAPA Marquee Awards**, New Adjudicator Training, 6–9:30 pm, Ohio Theatre
- September 29 **CAPA Marquee Awards**, School Participation Fee due

“AN ARTS EDUCATION HELPS BUILD ACADEMIC SKILLS AND INCREASE ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE, WHILE ALSO PROVIDING ALTERNATIVE OPPORTUNITIES TO REWARD THE SKILLS OF CHILDREN WHO LEARN DIFFERENTLY.”

—Gavin Newsom

All of CAPA’s Education and Outreach programs are 100% funded by donations. You can be a part of this magic. [Donate today!](#)

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ARISE participants sharing during a story circle exercise. (Photo: Lydia Miller)



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