



## 2024 Class Descriptions

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### C.A.K.E. Dance Classes

All ages and skill levels.

\* Indicates classes that will perform in the C.A.K.E. Extravaganza.

#### C.A.K.E. Kicks (Advanced)\*

Are you an experienced dancer wanting to take your technique and artistry to the next level? Join the new C.A.K.E. dance company, C.A.K.E. Kicks! Designed for dedicated dancers who can devote two periods to this class, C.A.K.E. Kicks will be based in ballet, modern, and jazz training. C.A.K.E. KICKS calls for dance lovers who work hard, have a great attitude, and cheer on their fellow dancers. Campers will work up to an end-of-program performance. **This is a double period class meeting periods 1 & 2.**

#### Dance Survey\*

Dance Survey gives campers a little taste of many different genres of dance with a new style or dance every week! Camper's practice new styles of dance, learning the background and culture of the style, diving in to learn steps, and movement to make up a full piece. All abilities welcome, this is a fun way to gain experience in different types of dance.

#### DIY Dance!

Choreography workshops allow dancers to step into the role of choreographer and create their own dynamic solos, duos, and group numbers. While developing their own dances, campers gain experience working with different sized groups in a supportive environment! While participating in this class campers can look forward to many performance opportunities throughout the summer.

#### Hip Hop\*

Do you love to dance, listen to awesome music, and have a blast in the process? Then bring your spunk and sneakers and come join the fun and learn all the latest and greatest moves of yesterday and today's hip hop artists as we shake, rock, and roll!

#### Prop, Lock, and Drop It!\*

Are you fascinated by the visual spectacles of the performing arts? Come channel your inner rhythmic gymnast and dance with props in this unique class! Dancers will dazzle audiences with theatrical illusions as a team, through partner dancing, and by themselves. Campers will work up to an end-of-program performance. All levels of dance experience are welcome!

**General Note:** All campers enrolled in dance classes should come to class in loose-fitting, stretchy clothing. Tight pants, jeans, or any other restrictive clothing will not allow you to move and get the most out of your classes. For Hip Hop, please wear sneakers (no outside shoes allowed in the studio).





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### Acting & Directing

All the world's a stage! In this class, campers will dig into two major parts of theater—acting and directing. We will cover the basic principles of theater as well as dig deep into honing individual skills. Actors will be able to expand their skill sets, diving into monologues and short scenes, and understanding how to create noteworthy characters. Directors will learn the planning process from casting to production, develop their ability to communicate with actors to build and adjust their actors' performances, and how to develop their theatrical vision.

Campers are welcome to do both acting and directing and encouraged to bring their own written work or scenes and monologues that they love! Based on the desires of the class, finished pieces may be performed or recorded at the end of camp.

### Broadway Bound

Learn how to dance like a Broadway Star in a positive and supportive environment! Throughout July, we will hone our jazz technique, as well as experiment with blocking to create dynamic musical theater numbers from Broadway shows such as Annie and The Little Mermaid! No prior dance experience required.

### Costumes

Campers will learn about the design process for creating costumes, hair, and make up looks for our C.A.K.E. productions and apply that process in their own designs. They will work together as part of the design team to help construct costumes that fit the color scheme, time period, and general look for each character and show. Sewing experience is helpful, but not required.

### Improvisation

Do you like to have fun, play games, and perform? Explore the basics of improvisation through ensemble games, improv exercises and small, in class performances. Learning improv is a great way to develop confidence both on and off the stage as you learn to trust your instincts.

### Prop Making

Over the four weeks, campers will have an opportunity to design and create props and set pieces for our C.A.K.E. productions. With the help of the creative team, they will analyze scripts and come up with prop lists. Campers will also learn about the different roles of the creative team and how they all work together to put on a show!

### Stagecraft Sr.

Have you ever wondered what goes on backstage during a show? In Stagecraft Sr., campers will learn about the role of the stage manager, as well as all the things that have to happen behind the scenes to make a show possible. Campers will get first hand experiences backstage during our C.A.K.E. productions, as well as, the C.A.K.E. Mix shows.

**\*If campers are interested in stage managing Musical Sr., One Act Sr., or the Extravaganza, they must attend at least the final two weeks of camp.**





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### C.A.K.E. Theatre Classes Cont.

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#### Stage & Film Makeup Jr.

Come learn the basics of stage makeup! We'll learn how to create a makeup design, how to use color to create a character, and how to apply your own makeup. Materials will be provided, but **please let us know if you have any allergies or sensitivities.**

#### Stage & Film Makeup Sr.

Have you ever wondered how a prince gets turned into a beast, or a superhero gets a black eye without actually getting hurt? Come find out in Stage and Film Makeup! We'll be learning the basics of stage and film makeup, as well as, the makeup design process and different themes like old age makeup, historical makeup, cuts and bruises, animal makeup, and much more! All are invited to join this creative, informative class, but it is especially recommended for performing arts campers.

We encourage campers to bring their own mascara, eyeliner, and foundation. Materials will be provided, **please let us know of any allergies or sensitivities.**

#### Story Theatre

This class will give young actors a chance to rehearse and perform their own adaptations of a variety of stories from many cultures. Campers will have fun playing warm up theater games, creating small plays from improvisation and learning the basics of theater. Costumes and props will make their productions a great hit. Selections from our class work will be performed at the end of each week.

#### Theatre Games

Explore the basics of theater and improvisation, while playing fun group games! Theater games are a great way to develop valuable theater skills, while having fun and building confidence.

#### Musical Theatre Jr.\*

This summer, students in the Musical Theatre Junior class will be performing in an original "Jukebox Style" musical with contemporary pop songs. This means the music will be already-published songs fit into an original story written by program teachers Dominic and Laura. Musical Theatre Jr. will perform a camp-only dress rehearsal on Wednesday, July 24 at 1 p.m. in The Founder's Theatre at MoCo Arts and a public performance during the Festival Day extravaganza on July 25.

**About the show:** This year's Musical Theatre Jr. is ***Jurassic Journey*** written by Laura Carbonneau & Dominic DiBenedetto.

*Join Paleontologist Paul and his sidekick, Maggy the Magnifying Glass, as they tell the story of seven dinosaur friends who discover an ancient mural that leads them on an adventure to find hidden treasures and riches. But it won't be so easy to get what their hearts' desire. These prehistoric friends will face obstacles, like the Ticklish Swamp and an impending volcanic eruption that will challenge them each step of the way. In the end, they learn how their skills and friendship can work in harmony.*

**Auditions will take place on the first day of C.A.K.E. everyone who auditions will be cast in the show.**





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In one of the world's most beloved rags-to-riches stories, we learn that because "the world is full of zanies and fools who don't believe in sensible rules," impossible things happen every day! Join us in our own little corner as we put on a production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's **Cinderella**. The original production which was aired in 1957 on CBS live, starred Julie Andrews in the title role, and tells the classic story of a young girl who is shunned by her step-family and who finds unexpected love in her kingdom's royal prince, but will he ever find the mysterious woman he danced with after she leaves before the stroke of midnight? **This is a double period class meeting periods 4 & 5.**

The youth edition we'll work with has kept all of the most beloved characters and songs, but condensed the text within the scenes to allow for a one-act performance, and the plot has been slightly altered to highlight some important lessons for contemporary audiences.

**Auditions will take place on Tuesday, June 25, from 5-7 p.m. in The Founder's Theater at MoCo Arts.**

Everyone who auditions will be cast in the show. Some audition materials will be ready before the start of camp, all campers enrolled in Musical Theatre will be notified when these materials are ready to be picked up. **Actors must register for all 4 weeks of camp** and commit to TWO PERIODS (4th & 5th) of rehearsal time, as there will be a lot to do in a short amount of time.

**If you cannot make the audition date/time**, please **send a video** to [ddibenedetto@moco.org](mailto:ddibenedetto@moco.org) **before 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 25**. If you are not at auditions, and you do not send a video in by the date listed, you can still be in our class and show, but you will not be cast in a major role. Additionally, if you cannot commit to all four weeks, we can only have you featured in the scenes and musical numbers you're present at camp for. We want everyone to feel prepared and confident for the performance; thank you for understanding.

### One Act Sr.\*

**About the show:** This year's One Act Play is **Everyone Gets Abducted by Aliens** by Marshall Paillet.

*The universe is full of questions: Is there life on other planets? Should you be petrified for your Earthly existence? Does everyone get abducted by aliens? This play is full of answers: yes, yes, and that's the title of the show! Join Conspiracy Dan on a cautionary tour through alien-infested scenarios to avoid, such as going towards the light, voting for an alien political candidate, and buying gluten-free ice cream from extraterrestrials. An off-the-wall comedy that's sure to steal your heart...and then steal the rest of you away from Planet Earth.*

**Auditions will take place on Wednesday, June 26 from 5-7 p.m. in The Founder's Theater at MoCo Arts** prior to the first day of C.A.K.E. Everyone who auditions will be cast in the show. Actors must be rising sixth-graders or older and registered for all 4 weeks (or less with permission from the director) of camp as there will be a lot to do in a short amount of time.

**If you cannot make the audition date/time**, please **send a video** to [lcarbonneau@moco.org](mailto:lcarbonneau@moco.org) **before 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 26**. If you are not at auditions, and you do not send a video in by the date listed, you can still be in our class and show, but you will not be cast in a major role.





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#### C.A.K.E. Jams\*

Do you sing or play an instrument, but you've never had a chance to play with other people? C.A.K.E. Jams is where you can learn the basics of playing in a band and performing songs together! This class is a perfect opportunity for campers who have been singing or playing an instrument for a little while and are looking to learn more about playing with other musicians. Campers are welcome and encouraged to bring in their own instruments from home to use! Safe and secure overnight storage is available on-site for larger instruments & musical equipment.

#### C.A.K.E. Rocks\*

C.A.K.E. Rocks is back and ready to ROCK! This class offers more advanced music campers an opportunity to play with their peers in a real band! Campers will learn how to rehearse songs together and how to perform in front of an audience. This will culminate in a performance for the whole camp at MoCo's black box, The Founder's Theatre! Campers are welcome and encouraged to bring in their own instruments from home to use! Safe and secure overnight storage is available on-site for larger instruments & musical equipment.

#### Music Production Sr.

Make your own music! This class explores the world of electronic music, music recording techniques, audio engineering, and music composition. We work together as a group of professional musicians working in a recording studio and leave at the end of the month with an album of original music! For grades 6-12.

#### C.A.K.E. Pops!

In C.A.K.E. Pops, campers should be ready to sing! Our goal is to develop a variety of vocal techniques like pitch and harmonization, diction, blend, and stage presence. Campers in this class will perform as a group but can also use class time as an opportunity to prepare a solo piece if they would like. No previous experience is required.





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## C.A.K.E. Media Classes

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### C.A.K.E. Podcast

In this class you will study and learn about the many ways in which you can tell a story through podcasting using sound effects, music, and voice acting. Every week we will put together a new episode with a mix of original stories, talk show segments, and interviews.

### C.A.K.E. TV\*

Have you ever wanted to be the host of your own talk show? Make your own commercials? Or even give a special report on breaking news? At CAKE TV, you can do all of these things and more! Learn what it's like to be on a TV crew as a writer, reporter, camera operator, director, and more! Take your newfound talents and produce a new episode of CAKE TV every week. Each new episode of CAKE TV will be featured during the C.A.K.E. Mix.

### Film Workshop\*

Create short film projects throughout the month! Produce mockumentaries, music videos, sketches and more using HD cameras, tripods, microphones, and editing software's. Each week the class will come up with a project idea, write an original script, cast actors, scout locations, film, and edit a fun short film. You can choose to act in this class, go behind-the-scenes, or both!

### Great Scenes\*

Have you ever been watching one of your favorite movies and said to yourself, "Wow! This is a great scene!" Do you think you might want to one day work in "the biz"? Get a taste of Hollywood in Great Scenes! In this class we will remake great scenes from our favorite movies. Each week, we pick a scene, break it down into a script and shot list, cast actors, and re-create that scene to the best of our abilities.

### Movie Minutes\*

Learn the basics of creating a short video! Campers will work together to plan, film and edit funny short movies.





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## C.A.K.E. Creative Writing Classes

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### C.A.K.E. Magazine

This is your chance to build your legacy! In this writing class, you can develop original poems, personal essays, original song lyrics, mini-stories, comic strips and more for a camp-wide publication of the C.A.K.E. Magazine. Students in the class will determine the title of the issue, its layout, illustrations and even help edit/arrange submissions from campers who aren't in the class!

### C.A.K.E. Poets Society

Do you write poetry? Do you want to learn how to write poetry? Do you like challenging your mind with fun writing prompts? If you answered yes to any of these questions then this is the class for you. Explore the world of poetry with us this summer. No experience required and the only thing you'll need to bring is an open mind!

### Scriptwriting

Have you ever wanted to write a script? Whether it's for the stage, the big screen or TV, this class will show you the steps. Campers will receive one-on-one mentorship to inspire and guide you, step by step, through the process of writing a script.

### Songwriting

This class welcomes all campers who are interested in songwriting! It is recommended that a camper already possess a basic understanding in reading or playing music. This is your chance to dive into the process of creating original music, and learning how to reflect emotion through sound. Campers will explore topics such as poetry, text setting, musical development, digital audio workspaces, and creative thinking. Campers will also have opportunities to create their own songs!

### Storytelling Workshop

This class focuses on the fundamentals of creating short fiction stories. You will be introduced to writing fiction through class exercises and group discussion based on elements of storytelling that we know and love from the stories we have read. As a class, we will explore story structure, point of view, character, plot developments, setting, dialogue and revision. This class will also focus on the fundamentals of writing real events. You will be introduced to writing stories from your life through class exercises and group discussions about biographies, memoirs and much more.





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## C.A.K.E. Visual Arts Classes

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Visual arts projects will be featured in our annual Arts Gala.

### 3D Art

This class is for all the makers and creators who see art as more than just 2-D and want to create amazing objects, sculptures, and installations using everything from recycled materials to found objects, and clay.

### Art From Around The World

Learn about the many varieties of art that is made around the world. Are you a crafty, hands-on explorer? Bring your curiosity about other cultures to this fun class.

### Art of Food

Welcome to C.A.K.E.'s Kitchen! In this class, campers will put on their chef's hats and collaboratively prepare recipes, developing some basic cooking skills along the way. After cooking is finished, it's time for the taste test! If your camper has a dietary restriction, please let us know. We want all campers to get the chance to participate and enjoy the recipes as fully as possible..

### Chainmail

**All necessary tools are provided.**

Have a flair for the Medieval and want to make your own jewelry and other projects? Using many small metal rings, campers learn how to make a variety of beautiful chainmail weaves into jewelry and other wearable art. If you've already got some experience, explore beyond the basics by trying new variants on weaves you already know, brand new advanced weaves, or exploring more complex design choices.

### Creation Station

Making something fun and funky out of found objects? Not a problem! Duct Tape hats? Check! Painting, puppeteering, mask-making? Done! Done! and Done! If your mind is filled with ideas of things you would like to make and do then this is the class for you! Creation Station is a class focused on arts and crafts that are determined by the campers themselves! Each week the campers will decide on what they would like to create and then make it happen!

### Drawing

Explore the fundamentals of drawing through drawing techniques in graphite, charcoal, pastel, ink, and more! We will be drawing from references, observation, and our imaginations.







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#### **Mixed Media**

Come make all types of art – from paintings to collages to 3-D sculptures and more! Mixed Media is for anyone with a passion for creating and an interest in pushing the boundaries of what art really is.

#### **Painting & Coloring**

Color your way to artistic expression with this class! We will discover the process of painting, explore our creativity and learn how colors interact with each other. Just like the layers in a cake, we will create dynamic images by building up layers of paints and colors.

#### **Printmaking**

Engage in printmaking techniques, e.g. relief printing, monotype, collagraph and collage. Fun multi-material activities will include printing with nature, found materials, Styrofoam plates and more! This class will help campers gain the skills to produce multiple images by hand printing and explore personal visual expression.

#### **Upcycled Art**

Recycling is good, but upcycling is better! Recycling is turning what we normally throw away into something we can use again either, in its current form or as something else. Upcycling is taking something we normally recycle and transforming it into something more valuable. Upcycling is a fun way to reduce the amount of garbage we generate. Campers will create upcycled items for their own use or to give as gifts!



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### **C.A.K.E. Games & More Classes**

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#### **Advanced Dungeons & Dragons**

For those who are familiar with Dungeons and Dragons and have played before. In this class, we will play through different mini modules of Dungeon and Dragons and maybe a few different systems for "One-Shot" campaigns. You will be able to create a character and work on their backstory. If you are interested, you can even take over being the Dungeon Master for a bit to run a game with a smaller group!

#### **Beginner Dungeons & Dragons**

Dungeons and Dragons is a collaborative fantasy role playing game (RPG) in which players go on adventures, fight monsters, discover treasure and explore mystical worlds. Originally a small following Dungeons and Dragons has become a household name. In this class you will learn the basic rule set that governs the gameplay as well as how to develop your own short format campaign to present to your classmates. At its most basic, D&D is collaborative storytelling; at its most complex, it is only limited by the scale and scope of your own imagination!

#### **Board Game Design**

Have you ever dreamt of creating your own board game? Do you love strategic thinking, imaginative storytelling, and bringing people together for fun? This class will guide you through the skills and knowledge you'll need to create your own board game!

#### **Games, games, games!**

Board games, lawn games, trivia games and more, this class is all about games. Play many different games that make you think, get you moving and let you have fun.