

There's still time for kids to enjoy a drama-themed summer camp

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So, it's already mid-June. You may be thinking there's no way you could fit a summer camp for your kids into your schedule – or your budget – before school starts. But, you would happily be wrong. There are still fun summer camps out there and we have an easy way for you to find options your kid will love.

If your kid is a drama and theater geek, there are plenty of choices. We found 10 camps centered around the performing arts, but these are only a few ideas. **Search our directory of nearly 1,500** (<http://summercamps.azcentral.com/>) **summer camps** (<http://summercamps.azcentral.com/>) and find even more. Narrow results with these search options: Camp type, age, keyword, minimum cost, city or ZIP code; camp name; and start date. Prices indicated are per-week, and number of days vary. Call to verify details with each camp before registering. And check out our lists of [sports-themed camps](#)

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Childsplay Academy: Musical Theatre - 'Alice in Wonderland, Jr.'

Little actors ages 8 to 12 can travel down the rabbit hole in Disney's "Alice In Wonderland Jr.," an adaptation of the classic Disney film featuring the White Rabbit, Dodo Bird, Tweedle Dee and Tweedle Dum, a bubble-blowing caterpillar, and the Queen of Hearts. Students will audition, rehearse and perform, directed by professional actors, directors and choreographers straight off the Childsplay stage. The first two weeks of rehearsals are on our main campus, and the last week is at the Tempe Center for the Arts. Final performances will be held at the Tempe Center for the Arts at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Friday, July 29.

Details: 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, July 11-29. Sybil B. Harrington Campus of Imagination and Wonder, 900 S. Mitchell Drive, Tempe. \$630. 480-921-5751, childsplayaz.org (<http://childsplayaz.org>).

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'Inside Out!' theater camp



Kids ages 6 to 8 can get in touch with all of their favorite emotions from the hit Disney movie "Inside Out!" Students will have a week of acting and improv exercises themed around the movies' characters.

Details: 1-4 p.m. Monday, July 11-Friday, July 15. VOICES Studio, 16674 N. 91st St., Suite D-102, Scottsdale. \$150. 480-905-4102, voicesstudio.com (<http://voicesstudio.com>).

Lil Rockstarz Pop Academy: Enchanted Heroes

This camp is designed for rock stars ages 3 to 5. Kids will get the chance to sing, dance, act and play along to their favorite musicals and pop songs while learning to use professional microphones. Camp culminates in a mini showcase for family and friends. Parents can select options of Mondays and Wednesdays or Tuesdays and Thursdays. The remaining two-week session in July is 'Enchanted Heroes.'

Details: 9:30-11 a.m. Mondays-Fridays, July 11-22. \$65 per session; \$13 camp T-shirt or tank top. Studio 3 Performing Arts Academy, 511 W. Guadalupe Road, Suite 12, Gilbert. 480-545-1492, studio3arts.com (<http://studio3arts.com>).

Alice in Wonderland Musical Theater Camp



The Mad Hatter, Alice, March Hare and Dormouse in the 1951 film "Alice in Wonderland." (Photo: Walt Disney Productions)

Musical theater skills, acting, dancing and singing all come together at Fountain Hills Theater in this camp designed for theater-minded kids from age 7 to 14. Children will rehearse and then participate in a stage performance for family and friends.

Details: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, July 11-22. 11445 N. Saguaro Blvd., Fountain Hills. \$250. 480-837-9661, fhtaz.org (<http://fhtaz.org>).

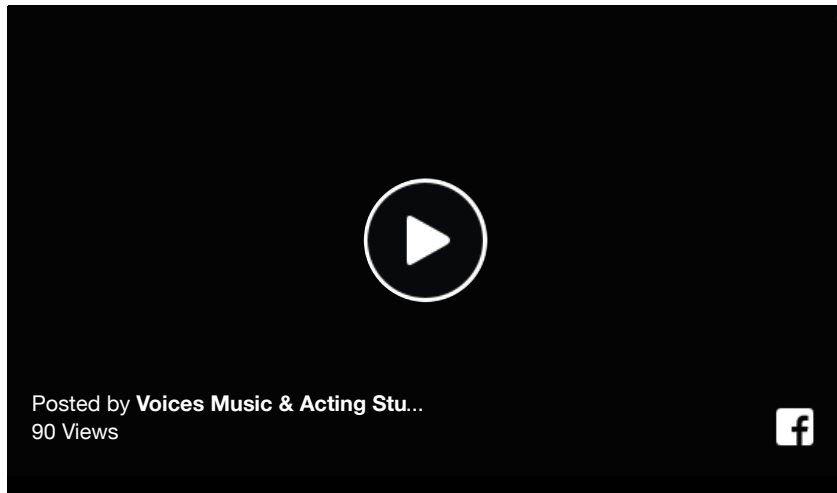
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Bravo for Broadway

In this interactive musical theater camp, students ages 6 to 10 will stretch, tone and condition, develop choreography, learn good singing technique, get an introduction to music theory, and perform in an ensemble of their peers featuring great music and dance from well-loved musicals. Register via Class No. 19951.

Details: 9 a.m.-noon July 18-28. Estrella Mountain Community College, 3000 N. Dysart Road, Avondale. 623-935-8888, ext. 1, estrellamountain.edu/community-education (<http://estrellamountain.edu/community-education>).

Musical Theater



Children ages 6 to 8 who are just starting out in musical theater are provided with all the excitement of a real production from the music and choreography to lights and sound, without the stress of having to memorize lines. This camp is appropriate for early readers and is at a level where the intention is to have fun. An end-of-camp performance will be held.

Details: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. July 18-22. VOICES Studio, 16674 N. 91st St., Suite D-102, Scottsdale. \$300. 480-905-4102, voicesstudio.com (<http://voicesstudio.com>).

Comedy Improv

Campers ages 9 to 12 will get a crash course in comedy improv learning what it takes to act on the fly. A small group setting will allow students to get a multitude of hands-on experience learning the hilarious sport.

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Summer Performing Arts Institute



Participants from age 6 to 14 will be taught dance, tap, voice, acting and improvisational skills by instructors with Broadway, off-Broadway, world and national tour experiences during this camp. Material includes selections from the upcoming season. Instructors are awarding-winning in their disciplines and will offer intense training to campers at all levels of experience.

Details: 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. July 18-29. Musical Theatre of Anthem, 42323 N Vision Way, Anthem. \$375. 623-256-0910, musicaltheatreofanthem.org (<http://musicaltheatreofanthem.org>).

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Spotlight Youth Theatre Summer Camps

Spotlight Youth Theatre offers campers ages 6 to 8 the opportunity to awaken their singing and dancing skills and help capture a galaxy in this "Almost Star Wars: A Musical Adventure" camp. Actors will learn the show, make costumes, build sets and perform the show for families and friends.

Details: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, July 25-August 5. 10620 N. 43rd Ave., Glendale. \$300 for two weeks. 623-521-8093, spotlightyouththeatre.org (<http://spotlightyouththeatre.org>).

Musical Theatre Marathon – ‘Rock the Presidents’



Campers ages 8 to 15 can polish their singing, dancing and acting skills while learning a musical in a week. Directed by professional theater artists, each script contains familiar songs from musicals or pop culture. After a week of intensive training, participants share the performance with families.

Details: 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Monday, July 25-Friday, July 29. Sybil B. Harrington Campus for Imagination and Wonder, 900 S. Mitchell Drive, Tempe. \$205. 480-921-5751, childsplayaz.org (<http://childsplayaz.org>).



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