Theatre 1

Do your nerves get in the way when presenting in front of the class? Have you ever thought about trying theatre? No experience? Not a problem! Everyone is welcome in this class! In Theatre 1 we build confidence and introduce you to the building blocks of performing. We experiment with our voices and the way we move our bodies through performances of Fairytales and Dr. Seuss stories. We then move into playing improvisational games, exploring how to create characters, and perform a scene with partners. The class ends with you writing your very own short play! These are then student directed and rehearsed in class with a final performance presented to friends and family. This class is a lot of fun so don't miss out!

Theatre 2

Jumping off where theatre 1 left off, this class expands acting focusing on scene study and character development. You will perform scenes and monologues from contemporary plays, while continuing to create your own work through playwriting and devising original theatrical productions. This is a theatrical playground for both performers and writers! Everyone collaborates and contributes to the development of new work. These original works culminate in performances for friends and family. For those interested in musical theatre, you will have the opportunity to apply all of our acting work to musical theatre pieces of your choosing.

Theatre Advanced

If you are serious about theatre, whether it be musical theatre, acting, directing, or playwriting, this is the place for you! Here, all the skills gained in Theatre 1 and 2 culminate into student generated projects and an even further look into the development of new works, using traditional and original materials. You will tackle musical theatre (singing, dancing, acting), classical text (Shakespeare, Greek Plays, Ibsen, etc.) and gain the knowledge it takes to create and operate a Theatre Company. Everyone has a place in this class!

Stagecraft

Are you creative? Do you like to draw or work with your hands? If so, this class is for you! Here you will explore how to think like a theatre designer and how to bring your designs to life. For each production at Santa Barbara High School students design everything from the scenery to the lights, sounds, costumes, and makeup. As a team, everyone learns the basics of stagecraft (construction, how to use power tools, painting) and then you get to choose your own path into one of the other elements (lighting, sound, costume/makeup). This class does require time after school time during productions but it is definitely worth it!