

# Performing Arts



## Upcoming Performances

### The Little Mermaid

2018 Summer Musical

Directed by Ken Preuss  
 Choreography by Karen Shuman  
 Co-Musical Direction by Dan Ermel and Aaron Kaplan

Big Deal Productions is delighted to present Disney's The Little Mermaid for the 2018 Summer Musical production, and first main stage performance in the newly renovated theater at the Community Arts Center. Based on one of Hans Christian Andersen's most beloved stories and the classic animated film, Disney's The Little Mermaid is a hauntingly beautiful love story for the ages. With music by the incomparable Alan Menken, lyrics by Howard Ashman and Glenn Slater, and a compelling book by Doug Wright, this fishy fable will capture your heart with its irresistible songs, including Under the Sea, Kiss the Girl and Part of Your World.

Performances will be held on July 20, 21, 27 and 28 at 7:30 pm and July 22 and 29 at 2 pm at the Community Arts Center. Tickets for adults and children ages 13 and up are \$18 in advance or \$20 at the door. Tickets for children ages 12 and under are \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door. Tickets will be available for purchase at bigdealproductions.org starting on June 20. For more information, please contact Lindsay Grandt at 847.850.2132 or lindsay@bgparks.org.

## Upcoming Auditions

### Brighton Beach Memoirs By Neil Simon

2018 Fall Adult Non-Musical

Big Deal Productions is thrilled to be auditioning for this classic comedy. This play follows the journey of a boy named Eugene Jerome, as he grows up in Brooklyn in 1937, learning about girls, family, relationships, and the impending war. He makes many witty observations about life and the need for family throughout the play, as he interacts with his passionate, quirky Polish-Jewish relatives.

Auditions will be held for ages 15 and older, and will take place on August 13 and 14, with potential callbacks on August 15. For this audition, you will need to prepare a 1-minute comedic or dramatic monologue, and be prepared to read scenes from the script. This comedic gem will be performed at the Community Arts Center on October 19 - 27. Rehearsal will take place on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and Sunday afternoons. For more information, or to reserve an audition spot, please contact Jessi Hersman at 847.850.2152 or jessi@bgparks.org.

## Theater Programs

### Lime Lights: Theatre Combination Classes NEW

These programs touch on all the different areas of theatre. Each class will offer something fun and exciting. Activities will include improvisation, theatre performance, auditioning, scene study, acting games and confidence building exercises. Your student will magnify their love for theatre, while developing a broad skill set. They are sure to leave with a smile each week. (JH)

#### Limelights: Mighty Minis

Age: 5 - 7 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
160834-01	Tue	June 19 - Aug 7	5 - 6 pm	\$74/\$92

Instructor: Nece Location: Community Arts Center

#### Limelights: Center Stage Stars

Age: 7 - 9 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
160834-02	Tue	June 19 - Aug 7	6 - 7 pm	\$74/\$92

Instructor: Nece Location: Community Arts Center

#### Limelights: Act Out Loud

Age: 10 - 13 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	R/NR Fee
160834-03	Tue	June 19 - Aug 7	7 - 8 pm	\$74/\$92

Instructor: Nece Location: Community Arts Center

### Actor's Summer Adventure

Join instructor Elise Hackl and staff from NWSRA as we put together a summer musical review for performers of all abilities and ages. This new program, offered for Special Recreation participants, will be an adventure every week. Class meets on Mondays from 5:15 to 6:30 pm. If you are interested in being a participant or buddy for this program, please contact Jessi Hersman at 847.850.2152 or jessi@bgparks.org.

## Touring Ensembles

# BG Singers ENCORE!

Presented by:



BG Singers Encore! is a group of talented men and women who travel the Chicagoland area entertaining at corporate parties, benefits, libraries, festivals and retirement homes. They have performed at such events as the Arlington Million and Long Grove's Strawberry Festival, and have sung the National Anthem at both Wrigley Field and the former U.S. Cellular Field. The group delights audiences with shows that feature their high-energy and enthusiastic vocal performances. Especially popular is their Holiday Show that they offer during the months of November and December. Encore! is proud that they were the champion in "Sing 2011," a national competition for singing ensembles.

For information on how to book this talented group for your next function, go to [bgencore.org](http://bgencore.org) or call Bruce Bohrer at 847.394.2797.



## Private Instruction

### Voice Lessons

Your voice is your instrument. Discover the tools you need to develop it to its maximum potential under the expert guidance of Beryl Bellows. Voice lessons are not just for future Broadway stars and opera singers. Strengthen your vocal mechanism, breathing and confidence in your own voice. Skills learned in voice lessons can be used to offer a song as an original gift, impress your friends on Karaoke night or even improve your diction and projection for public speaking and presentations.

Voice lessons are offered at a variety of days and times. Lessons are available for adults and children ages 10 and up. No previous music experience is required. For information on availability and pricing, please call Lindsay Grandt at 847.850.2132.

### Piano Lessons

The Buffalo Grove Park District offers piano lessons at a variety of days and times. Children 6 years and older (or confident readers) and adults with all levels of experience are welcome; and, no prior instruction in piano or music is required. Students may need to purchase their own instruction books and music, typically less than \$25. Please call Lindsay Grandt at 847.850.2132 for pricing information or to reserve the next available session.

### Private Acting Instruction

Big Deal Productions is excited to offer private acting instruction for actors on a weekly basis, or in preparation for an upcoming audition. Children and adults with all levels of experience are welcome. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more acting techniques in a one on one setting. Private Acting Instruction is offered on a variety of different days and times. Lessons are \$30 for a half-hour session and \$50 for a full hour session. Please call Jessi Hersman at 847.850.2152 for more information or to reserve a time for your individualized acting session.



# THE ARTS



Giving is one of the most significant demonstrations of commitment to the community that an individual can make. If you would like to have direct involvement in the cultural enrichment of our community theatre for generations to come, please consider supporting I Heart the Arts. Donations are tax deductible. For more information or to donate, visit [bgarts.org](http://bgarts.org).

## Projects

This next phase of projects that will be sponsored by the donations we receive includes renovating the multipurpose room, installing pitched, theater-style seating, a new HVAC system, and remodeling of the lobby.

### MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

The multipurpose room will be completely remodeled to better accommodate the needs of Park District programs, as well as members of the community who rent the facility for parties and events. Improvements to the room will include a retractable divider, technology to accommodate meetings and presentations, and additional bathrooms. There will also be a new building entrance added on the north side.

### HVAC

Due to the age of the system, as well as the lack of functionality after reconfiguring the entire building, much of the HVAC system needs to be replaced.

### LOBBY & CONCESSIONS

The lobby area will be receiving a complete facelift, that includes new flooring and interior design, acoustical improvements, and a new concessions area.

### THEATER

The biggest part of the project is the redesigning of the house portion of the theater. When complete, the theater will have new pitched, stadium-style seating, complete with wide aisles and approximately 350 comfortable fold-out seats. We will also be relocating the control room, adding an additional entrance/exit, and upgrading the house lighting system.

