

Our Mission

Youth Musical Theatre, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, is committed to providing comprehensive musical theatre training for aspiring young artists in a nurturing and inclusive environment. This professional-level theatrical training program serves young performers who wish to become theater professionals and helps all students in the program develop self-confidence and self-esteem while working toward a common goal of presenting outstanding theatrical productions in a professional theater.

First established in 1975 in Woodland Hills, YMT has grown and expanded into a critically-acclaimed organization which serves young artists from all over the Los Angeles Basin, including the Conejo Valley, San Fernando Valley, Santa Clarita, and Simi Valley, providing our students with a chance to connect and network with other young people and professionals. Youth Musical Theatre is a place for young people to make their voices heard and to share their passion for the arts.

YMT produces smaller scale performances and workshops each summer and fall. The main stage productions at the Thousand Oaks Civic Arts Plaza each spring are fully staged and costumed and accompanied by professional musicians.



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Youth Musical Theatre

Youth Musical Theatre (SFVPPPO)
22668 Waterbury St.
Woodland Hills, CA 91367

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YMT builds "character"
both on and off the stage!





“YMT is a safe, inspiring place, where I can learn my craft [musical theater] and just be me!”

Our History

For nearly two decades, the Youth Musical Theatre program has provided outstanding live theatrical productions with dynamic casts and stage crews made up of students, ranging in age from sixth through twelfth grade, from numerous schools and neighborhoods in the Los Angeles area.

After participating in our program in a wide variety of Broadway shows such as *Kiss Me Kate*, *Guys & Dolls*, *Oliver*, *Shrek*, *Ragtime* and *Into The Woods*, our participants have gone on to major in musical theater at prestigious institutions all across the United States.

Performances

For more information about our performance schedule at Thousand Oaks Civic Arts Plaza, visit our website at youthmusicaltheatre.com, ticketmaster.com or www.civicartsplaza.com. Get your tickets now before we sell out ...again!

Become an Angel

YMT offers scholarships to young actors and the youth technical staff who are in need of financial assistance to participate in our program. Any donation you make can help to change an aspiring student's life today.

Youth Musical Theatre is a program of the San Fernando Valley Philharmonic Pops Orchestra. We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, EIN: 95-4273905. All donations are tax-deductible.



Giving to YMT

Levels of Annual Giving*:

- Donor's Circle \$25,000+
- Benefactor's Circle \$2,500-\$24,999
- Producer's Circle \$1,000-\$2,499
- Director's Circle \$500-\$999
- Chairperson's Circle \$250-\$499
- Founder's Circle \$100-\$249
- Sponsor's Circle \$25-\$99

Your generous donation supports our youth theatre company, which is run by volunteers. Over 97% of our budget is spent on the direct development and offering of our professional theatrical productions.

**Donors are recognized in our annual Playbill, show programs, and on our website.*



Professional Staff

Our creative production team consists of Raymond Saar, Artistic Director, and Diane Ketchie, Musical Director, whose combined credits include starring roles on Broadway in *Phantom of the Opera*, *The King and I*, and *Les Miserables*. Producing and directing credits include national and international tours of *The Songs of Andrew Lloyd Webber*, *A Gershwin Celebration*, *Broadway ShowStoppers!* and *The Music of Marvin Hamlisch* at performing arts venues in over 45 states as well as over 32 productions in the Los Angeles area. Bruce Barbee, Managing Director, has been with the program since its inception and served for many years as the administrator of Academic Support Services at UCLA. Our dedicated and talented parent volunteers provide expertise in costumes, make-up, set design, and marketing to bring our fully realized productions vividly to life.

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