# **Welcome to Yorktown Theatre and Yorktown Theatre Arts Parents (TAP)**

Website: yhstheatre.org



# Theatre Open House/TAP Annual Meeting: Sept 30, 2020 @ 7pm (Zoom link will be sent by email)

Yorktown High School's award-winning Theatre Arts Program is one of the best in the country! Along with presentation and communication skills, the program's unique approach focuses on important life skills like self-confidence and relationship building. Many Yorktown alumni will tell you that Yorktown Theatre "changed their lives."

Yorktown Theatre is lucky to be supported by a booster organization -- Theatre Arts Parents (TAP), a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. TAP supports the theatre department's mission and provides financial support and volunteers for every Yorktown Theatre production. As parents of a Theatre student, you are a member of TAP! This is the link to the <u>TAP Bylaws</u>.

Of course, this year will be different, but we will still be working on developing theatre skills, such as acting, directing, improvisation, characterization, scene work and auditioning. In Tech Theatre class, students will learn from guest artists from Signature theatre about lighting, sound, makeup, set design, costuming, props and stage management. Additionally, we plan to produce virtual shows in all of the classes, both devised (written by students) and published. This year for the first time, we have a student teacher, Alani Kravitz, who will be involved in all classes.

#### **NEW THIS YEAR!**

Also new this year, most of the theatre students will have the opportunity to participate in the Virginia Theatre Association (VTA) Virtual Conference at the end of October 27 @ 6pm - November 1, 2020 @ 8pm. During the week-long conference, attendees will be able to access performances by school and theatres from around the state, attend online workshops and panels, audition (Seniors), and more. Our Theatre III class will submit a performance for the festival portion of the conference. We will register students and TAP will pay the cost of registrations. For more information about the conference, go to <a href="https://www.virginiatheatre.org/conference-home">https://www.virginiatheatre.org/conference-home</a>.

## VIRTUAL THEATRE OPEN HOUSE/TAP ANNUAL MEETING

Please plan to participate in the Sept 30<sup>th</sup> Theatre Open House/TAP Annual meeting (virtually) to learn more about YHS Theatre Arts Program and to vote on the slate of new TAP officers, as well as the TAP budget. You will also hear from current members of the TAP board.

- Here are links for the 2020-21 <u>TAP Slate of Officers</u>
- Here is the link for the TAP Proposed Budget 2020-21

## **REFUND NYC**

One more housekeeping note for those waiting for refunds from last year's cancelled Broadway trip – Yorktown has recently received a check for the total refund; the TAP treasurer will write individual checks in the next few weeks, which will be sent to addresses on file.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, at carol.cadby@apsva.us, or Marianne Schwanke, Theatre Office assistant, at carolcadby.yhs@gmail.com, or Stephanie Fliakas, sfliakas@gmail.com, TAP President nominee.

We look forward to a novel Theatre year at YHS!

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