

## A BIG THANK YOU

Special thanks goes to Melanie Fillmore and Karen Payne for organizing the Children's Arts Festival this year. Many volunteer hours have gone into making this a top-notch program. If you see either of them, be sure to tell them thank you.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**May 20** (Saturday) 7:30 pm, High Chaparral at Fairgrounds – Spanish Fork Regional Chorale Spring Concert

**May-September** – Monthly Bluegrass Jam Sessions at the Fairgrounds (more details soon)

**June 5–16** – Children's Arts Festival. SFHS. See complete details throughout this edition.

**June 17** (Saturday) 10 am – 1 pm, SFHS. *Beauty and the Beast* Princess Party

**July 15–24** – *Beauty & The Beast*. More details to follow.

**Volunteer to Help With One of These Activities.** Call our Volunteer Board Chairperson, Melanie Fillmore, at 794-1436.

## SPECIAL EDITION: CHILDREN'S ARTS FESTIVAL

### When we said “Bigger and Better” we meant it!

One of the expanded goals within the mission of the Spanish Fork Arts Council is to: “Develop and maintain a strong educational program that provides high-quality instruction and training to the community in the major visual and performing arts disciplines as well as in the humanities.” That applies to both children and adults. While programs that offer more adult arts classes are still in the planning stages and will likely take place later in the year, the Children's Arts Festival is ready and rarin' to go with an expanded offering of exciting workshops for ages 6 to 18.

In addition to the fantastic instructors we've had in the past, we have brought in several new talented and well-qualified individuals to teach some of the new courses. Our goal is to increase the number of workshops offered each year and hopefully enrich your lives through your participation in this program.

We hope you will take the time to look through the finalized schedule, to read about the instructors, and to decide which workshop(s) will be most enjoyed by your child. We have tried to offer something for everyone. If you have ideas for future workshops or if you would like to be an instructor, please contact a member of the Arts Council or email [arts@sfcn.org](mailto:arts@sfcn.org).

Remember, registration for the Children's Arts Festival is May 11 from 8am-6pm at the city offices—first come, first signed. Classes begin Monday, June 5 at SFHS and run through Friday, June 16. This year's theme is *Beauty and the Beast*. There will be a **final showcase for all participants on Friday evening, June 16, in the Little Theater**. The visual arts display will be from 6:00–7:45pm in the foyer. The performing arts show will be from 6:30–7:30pm. Family members and friends of participants, as well as the entire community are invited to attend.

## Class Descriptions & Instructor Bios

### Arts and Crafts A and B

Students will be making several fun items kids love to own, such as dreamcatchers, treasure boxes, or totem poles. Crafts are assembled from pre-made kits.

#### Instructor: Natalie Billie

Natalie Billie grew up in a craft world, and was always surrounded by crafts. This is Natalie's fourth year teaching a craft class for the Spanish Fork Children's Arts Festival. She looks forward to engaging youth in her favorite pastime.

### Crafts A and B

Students will magically create something from nothing. Everyday household items will be transformed into unique and creative crafts. Students will even get to try their hand at pottery. Come see what surprises await you.

#### Instructor: Beatrice Killpack

Beatrice Killpack has been doing arts and crafts since she was a

child. She studied art in college and has since taught as an art specialist at several different elementary schools. She is actively involved in most children's arts festivals found throughout Utah Valley.

### Printmaking

Monotype type class is open to older children through teenagers. Students will learn about a painterly form of printmaking using color and black and white. Learn to do your own printing by hand to create your personally made art images.

#### Instructor: James Rees

James Rees received his BFA from Brigham Young University and his MFA from the University of Arizona. He has been the recipient of several national awards, fellowships, and grants. He has taught at BYU, UVSC, the Marie Walsh Sharpe Art Foundation and Provo High School. He was recently named the National Art Educator of the year.

### Painting A—Beginning Drawing & Watercolor

Students will learn the foundations of drawing and watercolor painting. The class will cover drawing perspectives, painting from the basic primary colors, and figure drawing. Supplies provided.

#### Instructor: Char'Ree Reynolds

Char'Ree Reynolds has always loved art. She did the artwork for the Sesquicentennial logo and designed the Spanish Fork City Olympic pin. This is her 6th year teaching for and helping with the Spanish Fork Children's Arts Festival. Char'Ree is currently finishing her B.A. in Art Education at Brigham Young University.

### Painting B—Intermediate Drawing and Watercolor

Students will study various artists and their styles, such as Georgia O-Keefe, Matisse, and Picasso. Students then apply the same principles to their own works of art.

*Previous training required* (school, private, or previous enrollment in Painting A).

#### Instructor: Char'Ree Reynolds

### Beginning Folk and Bluegrass Ensemble

A fun experience for anyone interested in learning to play traditional folk & bluegrass music. Little or no experience required. Students will learn songs together as a group. Students must provide their own instrument. Suggested instruments include: fiddles/violins, violas, guitars, banjos, mandolins, bass (guitar or upright), & cello. Contact instructor for help in locating an instrument (Jessica Wilkinson 400-6332).

#### Instructor: Jessica Wilkinson

Jessica Wilkinson loves all kinds of music, but her heart belongs to Folk and Bluegrass. She has eleven years teaching experience and 19 years performing experience. Jessica

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## Schedule Made Easy (all classes held at Spanish Fork High School)

8:00-9:00 a.m.	Arts & Crafts A (1st week) 1 week/\$15	Crafts A 2 weeks/\$30	Int/Adv. Folk and Bluegrass Ensemble 2 weeks/\$35		
9:15-10:15 a.m.	Arts & Crafts B (1st week) 1 week/\$15	Crafts B 2 weeks/\$30	Beg. Folk and Bluegrass Ensemble 2 weeks/\$35	Printmaking (1st week) 1 week/\$15	Children's Theater 2 weeks/\$35 (2 hour class from 9:15-11:15)
10:30-11:30	Painting B 2 weeks/\$30	Intro to Theater/ Storytelling 2 weeks/\$30			
11:35-12:35	Painting A 2 weeks/\$30	Jazz Dance (1st week) 1 week/\$15	Pre-ballet (2nd week) 1 week/\$15		

A **minimum of 15** students are necessary to carry a class. When classes are full, some classes may offer a second session. Maximum class sizes are determined by the teacher. **ALL -A- classes must have 15 participants before -B- classes will be finalized. LATE REGISTRATION MAY BE POSSIBLE IF CLASSES STILL HAVE OPENINGS—CONTACT NORMA NIELSEN AT 798-9323.**

## Class Descriptions & Instructor Bios (cont.)

teaches private and semi-private music lessons in guitar, fiddle, and mandolin, and is currently learning to play the banjo herself. This is Jessica's first year initiating the Folk and Bluegrass class for the Spanish Fork Children's Arts Festival. Jessica is a member of the Spanish Fork Arts Council and is on the Board of Directors for the Institute of American Music.

### Intermediate and Advanced Folk and Bluegrass Ensemble

A great opportunity to learn traditional folk and bluegrass music in a group setting. Most stringed instruments are welcome. Suggested instruments include: fiddles/viols, violas, guitars, banjos, mandolins, bass (guitar or upright), & cello. Students with experience in a stringed instrument only. Contact instructor for detailed information. (Jessica Wilkinson 400-6332)

**Instructor: Jessica Wilkinson**

### Jazz Dance

Beginning Jazz Dance for ages 8 and up (If there is sufficient enrollment the class will be split into ages 8-11

and 12 and over.). A fun time for anyone who wants to learn some beginning basics of dance. Time will be spent specifically on turns and improving strength and flexibility. Wear dance clothes or form fitting clothes that are easy to move in. Jazz shoes are welcome but not necessary.

**Instructor: Christina Butler Lloyd**

Christina Butler Lloyd has her B.A. in Dance from Brigham Young University. She has traveled the world performing with the UVSC Ballroom Dance Team and BYU's International Folk Dancers. She has 13 years teaching experience, has taught all ages, and has experience in all genres of dance.

### Intro to Dance and Pre-ballet

Beginning Ballet for ages 6-8. A perfect introduction to the beauty of classical ballet. Learn the basics while challenging and improving your strength, coordination, and flexibility. Wear dance clothes or form fitting clothes that are easy to move in. Ballet slippers are welcome but not necessary.

**Instructor: Jennie Creer-King**

Jennie Creer-King is an accomplished professional ballet dancer. She danced for Ballet West and Oregon Ballet Theatre. She received both a Bachelor of Fine Arts and Master of Fine Arts from the University of Utah. Jennie was a professor at Brigham Young University from 1999-2004. Jennie recently opened a Ballet Academy utilizing her experiences to mentor and coach aspiring young dancers.

### Intro to Theater and Storytelling

Create your own stage presence! This workshop will focus on the basic stage skills of using your body and voice to create and express character. We will be working with puppets, using movement skills, and developing a performance to share what we have learned.

**Instructor: Kara Poulsen**

Kara Poulsen holds a degree in Theatre Art Education from Brigham Young University. She has been teaching Theatre Arts in our community for the past 18 years. As the Drama teacher at Spanish Fork Middle School, "Mrs. Poulsen" has directed many plays and musi-

cal productions featuring young people. She has directed some of her largest casts of children in Spanish Fork Fiesta Days productions, including "Peter Pan" and "Annie".

### Spanish Fork Children's Theater Workshop

The Community Theater is doing "Beauty and the Beast" for the Fiesta Days celebration. The children who participate in this year's workshop will be learning a scene from the production, which they will perform three times. All those who register need to be able to commit to performing during Fiesta Days (as well as attending designated rehearsals).

**Instructor: Anna Murdock**

Anna Murdock has been involved in Children's Theater for more than 35 years and has directed plays all over Utah Valley. She founded the Spanish Fork Children's Theater, and also helped establish Spanish Fork's Community Theater. This is her 8th year conducting a workshop in conjunction with the Spanish Fork Children's Arts Festival.

## Princess Party

In conjunction with Spanish Fork Community Theater's production of Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*, princesses young and old (ages newborn through 18 years) are invited to attend a **Princess Party**. This royal occasion will take place on Saturday, June 17th at Spanish Fork High School from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Participants are encouraged to dress in princess costumes with accompanying finery and attire, i.e. crowns, tiaras, etc. to celebrate and create royal excitement, as every princess should feel especially stately.

Guests will be invited to meet-and-greet with Belle, have their picture taken with her (and printed on-

site), and receive an autograph. Other activities include pink cookie decorating, imperial head adorning (crown making), royal face painting, whimsical wand making, regal jewelry creation, castle moat (fish pond), a majestic cake walk, and a mini-parade where each princess will receive a special certificate to be redeemed for a "princess concession" at *Beauty and the Beast* in July. Mark your calendar now for this exciting event! Prices for admission to this regal engagement are as follows:

First single princess admission: \$8.00.

Admission for each additional princess in the immediate family: \$6.00

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