

Elefante Music & School for the Performing Arts

Broadway Classics

Musical Theater is an original American art form. What we now think of as the classic Broadway style blossomed in what is known as Broadway's "Golden Age". From "Oklahoma" to "Guys and Dolls" to "The Sound of Music", the golden age of musical theatre includes some of the greatest Broadway shows of all time. Many of today's high school musicals, community theater pieces, and Broadway shows are revivals of these classics.

Theater directors in top college Musical Theater departments say that they are having difficulty finding students who possess an understanding of how to perform classic material. Current musical theater students need to know more than Hamilton and Dear Evan Hanson; they need to understand (and know how to perform) the shows that came before them!

In this class, students will sing and dance the classics while learning about what makes them tick. In addition to singing and dancing, students will gain a knowledge of the composers, producers, designers, and stars behind this amazing time on Broadway.

The class concludes with a performance at our Spring Recital. The recital will incorporate not only amazing performances, but also a student-created minimuseum showcasing the students' knowledge of the Broadway classics born in the "Golden Age"!