



Elefante Musical Theater Camp: Internship Positions

Summer, 2020

Elefante Musical Theater Camp Internship Positions are open to motivated students entering 10th grade and above. Acceptance into the internship program requires an interview and recommendation by the Camp Director. All Internship positions include free camp tuition for each session during which a student serves as Intern -- a \$2,275 value for 3 sessions. Past interns have received high school volunteering credits for interning (check with your high school counselors to see if they accept these credits). In addition, the Camp Director has written numerous college acceptance and scholarship recommendation letters for past interns.

The dates of our summer 2020 sessions are: Session 1: June 29 - July 10 (no camp on Friday, July 3); Session 2: July 13-July 24; Session 3: July 27-August 7. Candidates do not need to be available for all 3 sessions, but that would be extremely helpful. Ideally, Interns would also be available to assist with the supervision of students during our evening at the Somerset Patriots ballgame (July 21st).

There are three categories of internship positions available: **General Interns, Dance Interns, and Early-Childhood Interns:**

General Interns General Interns receive full training as performing artists. They participate as campers in three 45-minute classes (acting, singing, and dancing) during the camp morning rotation. They also participate in the post-lunch Wild Card session. Many of our interns have performed for visiting casting directors, Broadway performers, etc. during our Wild Card sessions. In the afternoons, General Interns participate as performers in small-group rehearsals. General Interns also perform in the camp show at the Pingry School on the final Friday evening of each session.

General Interns assist with a variety of duties, the most important of which is serving as leaders and role-models to younger campers. Each General intern will be assigned a small group of "Elems" and "Mids" to supervise for the length of the camp session. Lunchtime seating will not be assigned for non-intern campers, but interns must sit with some of the members of their groups at all lunches to facilitate social interaction. Additional General Intern duties include: escorting younger campers to/from their morning rotation classes, taking a rotation in the "Littles" (Early-Childhood) room assisting the instructors; taking camp attendance after lunch; closely supervising their small camper groups at arrival and dismissal time; leading campers in organized games and "theme days"; organizing camp materials; light tidying of the rehearsal areas; managing campers during afternoon wildcards, full-company rehearsals, and backstage during the camp performance; and facilitating social interaction among the campers. In addition, some General Interns will serve on the stage crew during the performance (in addition to performing).

Dance Interns assist our Dance Instructors in working with dancers at all age levels. Interns will spend the morning class time (9:15-11:30) in the dance studios learning and demonstrating the Dance Instructors' choreography for the group dance numbers that the elementary, middle, and high school students will be performing. In our afternoon full-company rehearsal (1:00-3:00), Dance Interns will demonstrate choreography

for the full-company numbers. Additional Dance Intern duties include those of General Intern (see description below) regarding lunchtime, arrival, and dismissal duties.

While Dance Interns do not participate in the morning acting and singing classes, they do participate in the camp Wild Card sessions. Dance Interns also may perform in the small-group and full-company numbers in the camp show on the final Friday of each session, if they choose to do so.

Dance experience is mandatory for this position.

Early-Childhood Interns assist our Early-Childhood Instructors in the “Littles” room. They work exclusively with students entering Kindergarten and 1st grade. Early-Childhood Interns do not participate in the morning acting, singing, or dancing rotations, and do not appear onstage at the camp performance. However, they are required to attend the camp performance to supervise the “Littles” backstage. This position is ideal for students interested in entering the field of Early-Childhood Education. It requires no performing arts interest or background.

If you are interested in applying for any of the above internships for the summer of 2020, please email Camp Director Karen Cantor (karen@elefantemusic.com) to schedule an interview. In the email, please indicate which session(s) you are available for, and which type of internship you are applying for.