

OGLEBAY INSTITUTE SUMMER DAY CAMPS

JUNE-AUGUST 2025



Oglebay Institute
Inspiring the Imagination

PARENTS CALL IT
LEARNING
KIDS CALL IT
FUN!

NATURE • ART • DANCE • PERFORMING ARTS

SUMMER DAY CAMPS

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A season of discovery, a lifetime of memories!

Oglebay Institute has provided area children with safe, well-supervised, educational camps for nearly 60 years. Each week offers new themes, new adventures, and new ways to inspire. Whether your child is the creative type, a performer, or a nature lover, there is something for everyone each summer at Oglebay Institute.

Our instructors develop and present creative, hands-on programs that stimulate children's interests and imaginations. Our campers gain independence and leadership skills and develop their creative potential.

Inspiring the Imagination

Don't delay! Make Oglebay Institute a part of your child's summer vacation.



CAMP REGISTRATION

Register early to avoid disappointment. Registrations will be processed in the order received. No spaces will be held without full payment. Once registration and fees are received, participants will receive an e-mail confirmation with a link to a camper packet. It is the responsibility of the participant to appear in camp on the correct day and hour without additional notice.

ONLINE – Visit www.oionline.com/camps to register and pay online.

BY TELEPHONE – Registrations with credit cards can be made by calling:

- 304-242-7700 for Visual & Performing Arts Camps
- 304-242-6855 for Nature Camps
- 304-242-8807 for Dance Camps

IN PERSON – Register in person at Stifel Fine Arts Center, School of Dance, or Schrader Center.

Oglebay Institute accepts Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and personal checks. Full payment is due at the time of registration.



CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS

Oglebay Institute is committed to offering a wide variety of camps. As a result, camps sometimes have to be cancelled due to insufficient enrollment. In such cases, you will be notified no later than 72 hours before the camp start date and the full fee will be refunded. Oglebay Institute reserves the right to substitute instructors.

In order for participants to cancel and receive a full refund, they must notify the facility and cancel on or before April 1. After April 1, you must notify the facility and cancel at least 2 WEEKS before the camp start date. No refunds will be granted less than two weeks from the camp start date, and there is no proration of camp fees once the camp has started. In addition, a cancellation fee of \$20 is in effect for cancellations made after April 1, even those made within a two-week period.

Full payment is due at the time of registration.

Camps	Ages	Drop-off Location	Drop-off Time	Pick-up Location	Pick-up Time
Visual Arts	Preschool	Stifel Center	8:45-9am	Stifel Center	Noon
Visual Arts	Grades 1-7	Stifel Center	8:45-9am	Monday & Friday: Stifel Center Tues.-Thurs.: Wheeling Park Pool	3pm
Visual Arts	Grades 8-12	Stifel Center	8:45-9am	Stifel Center	3pm
Performing Arts	All	Towngate Theatre	8:45-9am	Towngate Theatre	3pm
Dance	All	Dance Studios	Varies	Dance Studios	Varies by camp. Consult your camps guide or receipt.
Nature Day Camps	Grade K	Schrader Center	8:30am-9am	Mon.-Thurs.: Schrader Center Fri.: Splashpad	3pm (Post-care available from 3-5pm)
Nature Day Camps	Grades 1-7	Schrader Center	8:30am-9am	Mon., Wed. & Fri. or Tues., Thurs. & Fri. (Depending on group): Oglebay Park Pool (Unless in post-care) Schrader Center: Non-pool days	3pm (Post-care available from 3-5pm)

HEALTH & INFORMATION FORMS

Parents must complete camper health and information forms for each child attending Oglebay Institute's summer day camp. Forms must be completed and returned 2 weeks prior to the first day of camp. No child will be admitted to camp without these forms.

Forms can be found at oionline.com/camps under the "Camp Resources" sidebar. Forms can be submitted online or mailed.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

As a non-profit organization, Oglebay Institute relies on membership contributions to help ensure the quality of our programs and facilities that are enjoyed by nearly 70,000 people each year.

OI membership can pay for itself in as few as two weeks of camps. Membership savings and benefits, which include early Summer Camp registration, also apply to classes and many other OI programs throughout the year.

A full list of levels and benefits can be found at oionline.com/support.

SOLD-OUT CAMPS

Some camps sell out during the members-only registration period in February. If interested in a particular camp and week, parents are urged to call to be added to the wait list.

Should spots become available, those on the wait list will be contacted in the order in which they were received.

FOR PARENTS

For detailed camp information and a Parent Handbook with frequently asked questions, visit oionline.com/camps.



NATURE DAY CAMPS

SCHRADER CENTER

Oglebay Park, Wheeling
304-242-6855

Nature Day Camps at Schrader Center provide a safe and supportive environment for children to discover the wonders of nature. Our campers spend their days exploring and learning about our woods, meadows, streams, and local habitats. We believe that a strong environmental ethic can best develop in children who learn to love being outdoors. Our camp program builds the foundation for a lifetime of love and respect for the environment. And it's fun!

Minnows and *Salamanders* will swim at Oglebay Park's outdoor pool and will be picked up at the pool on pool days. *Salamanders* will swim on Monday, Wednesday & Friday. *Minnows* will swim Tuesday, Thursday & Friday. Pick up will be at Schrader Center on non-pool days. Cookouts will take place every Friday at Schrader Center. Post-care is available from 3pm-5pm.



Tadpoles

Entering Kindergarten

Times: 9am-3pm • \$170/\$140 OI members

June 2-6: From Bees to Butter

Get up close and personal with pollinators! Learn about the honeybees and their hive at the Schrader Center. Explore why bees are important and how we can protect them. Put on your dancing shoes as we create a bee "waggle dance". This delicious camp ends by making your own honey butter to take home. Bring your swimsuit on Friday as we will head to the splashpad!

June 9-13: Puddle Jumpers

Cool off from the hot summer days with this fun water camp! Learn about the animals that live in the stream and pond. Splash in our sprinkler and enjoy a week of water games and activities like "Drip, Drip, SPLASH" and the H2Olympics. Meet our aquatic animal ambassadors at the Schrader Center.

June 16-20: Happy Holiday Camp

'Tis the season to enjoy holiday inspired fun, every day of camp! Make your own "snow" and head out for some camp-friendly skating. Take a "crack" at egg dying with all natural ingredients & have an Easter inspired egg drop. For Halloween, we'll create masks, trick or treat through the center, and end with a spooky story by the campfire. Enough cheer to fill a year packed into one week! Bring your swimsuit on Friday as we will head to the splashpad!

Minnows

Entering Grades 1-3

Times: 9am-3pm • \$170/\$140 OI members

June 2-6: Shipwrecked **NEW!**

Ahoy, Campers! Shipwrecked week is all about survival! Build shelters, start fires, find water, and identify edible plants. Create a pirate flag and wrap up with an epic capture the flag game!

June 9-13: Super-Humans **NEW!**

Become a Super-Human for the planet! Learn to plant native flowers, make compost, and build bird feeders. Create a cape and mask from recycled materials and use your new powers to help save the Earth!

June 16-20: Abraca-sci

Put on your goggles for mind-blowing experiments that makes science feel like magic! Explore invisibility, electricity, slime, and much more.

June 23-27: Ding, Dang, Dinosaurs!

Future paleontologists will create dinosaurs, explore prehistoric creatures, and dig for fossils. A week of excavation and discovery awaits!

June 23-27: Kaleidoscope Camp **NEW!**

Get inspired by nature in this art-filled camp! Create watercolor paintings with natural dyes, try pebble art, sculpt with mud, and go on a scavenger hunt to gather items for your own nature kaleidoscope.

July 7-11: Myths & Mystery Files **NEW!**

Calling all detectives! Create a secret agent name and gather clues to solve the camp mystery. Investigate cryptids, search for Bigfoot's tracks, and uncover the truth behind famous myths—real or fake? You decide!

July 7-11: Ants in Our Plants **NEW!**

Dig in the dirt, flip logs, and discover the bugs and creatures that live there. Explore the connection between insects and plants through terrarium art, visit the Schrader Center's honeybees, taste fresh honey, and explore our butterfly garden.

July 14-18: Wizarding World

Enter the world of magic in this Harry Potter-inspired camp. Create nature potions, design wands, cast spells, grow crystals, and craft your own magical creature companion.

July 14-18: Catch 'Em All

Calling all Pokémon fans! Create your own Pokémon inspired by nature. Discover animal adaptations behind popular characters, then join a real-life Pokémon GO scavenger hunt in the woods. Who will you catch? (Pokémon cards allowed with parental approval.)

July 21-25: Drip, Drip, Splash

Grab your boots and dive into a week of water fun! Explore the stream, discover critters, play water games, and enjoy cool experiments. Test your skills in Schrader Center's Water Olympics and learn the science of H₂O!

July 28-Aug. 1: Exploring the Unexplored **NEW!**

Embark on an adventure into the unknown! Explore ocean depths and discover mysterious creatures, learn the science of underwater breathing, and blast off to space in our indoor planetarium. Create a stary night sensory bag to take home!

July 28-Aug. 1: Wood Nymphs Club **NEW!**

Find peace in the woods with this camp designed for campers who prefer a quieter experience. Enjoy yoga on the trails, nature journaling, crafting rain sticks, and singing by the campfire. Create fairy gardens, sensory bottles, and connect with the forest through mindfulness.

ONLINE.COM/CAMPS

Salamanders

Entering Grades 4-7

Times: 9am-3pm • \$170/\$140 OI members

June 2-6: Full STEAM Ahead **NEW!**

Explore electricity with circuits, grids, and even making food from batteries! Team up to tackle the Schrader Center Escape Room for a week full of excitement and creativity!

June 9-13: What's the Buzz? **NEW!**

Celebrate our new butterfly enclosure by discovering West Virginia's pollinators! Learn about raising Monarchs, meet our beekeeper, explore honeybee care, and enjoy unique honey activities while appreciating the importance of insects.

June 16-20: Edible Science **NEW!**

Explore Earth's layers and the rock cycle in this hands-on, tasty camp! Enjoy sweet treats, learn the science of ice cream, and identify edible plants on our trails. Feed your brain and your tastebuds!

June 23-27: Survive & Thrive

Can you survive in the forest? Learn shelter building, orienteering, and edible plant ID. End the week by celebrating your skills with campfire cooking over a fire you built!

July 7-11: Ready Camper One

Put down your controllers and head outside! Enjoy nature while participating in activities inspired by popular video games, including Pokémon, Fortnite, Minecraft, and Animal Crossing.

July 13-26: Junior Nature Camp (Residential Camp)

Make summer memories that will last a lifetime! Campers ages 10-16 are invited to experience our residential camp, 10 minutes from Wheeling, just off the Dallas Pike exit. Study everything from invertebrates and ferns to birds and mammals in a picturesque outdoor classroom. Other activities include canoeing, swimming, orienteering, arts & crafts, music, archery, and nightly campfires. Attend one week or two. **Call 304-242-6855 to learn more.**

July 21-25: Water 'Bout That

Ready, get wet, go! Dive into summer while exploring the world of water. Compete in our Water Olympics, play baby-pool kickball, and learn about the aquatic critters that call our stream home!

July 28-Aug. 1: Dragons & Myths

Step into the realm of mythical creatures with this camp inspired by dragons and cryptids. Make your own terrarium and custom cryptid hat. Discover the perfect habitat for these mythological creatures. Fact or Fiction? You be the judge!

VISUAL ARTS CAMPS

STIFEL FINE ARTS CENTER

**1330 National Road, Wheeling
304-242-7700**

Stifel art camps provide exciting hands-on activities that allow each child to explore art, meet creative challenges, and exercise the imagination. From painting to pottery, children explore their creativity through a variety of artistic mediums.

A trained staff of educators with experience working with children and teaching about art lead all camp activities. Campers in grades 1-7 will swim at the Wheeling Park Pool Tuesday - Thursday and will be picked up at the pool entrance at 3pm. Cookouts will take place every Friday at Stifel Fine Arts Center with hotdogs, chips, cookies, and juice. Monday & Friday pick-up is 3pm at Stifel Fine Arts Center.



Entering Grades 1-3

Times: 9am-3pm

\$170/\$140 OI members

June 2-6: Pocket Monster Mania

Dive into the world of Pokémon! Catch and learn about different Pokémon, enjoy battles, craft unique creations, and tackle outdoor challenges. Join the adventure and become a Pokémon Master! Beth Allen, instructor.

June 9-13: Mine Craft & Create

Bring your Minecraft dreams to life! Craft epic structures, solve puzzles, and design unique worlds in-game and through hands-on projects. Enjoy digital play, outdoor games, and teamwork activities. Kashia Robbins, instructor.

June 16-20: Dollhouse Dreams **NEW!**

Unleash your creativity to build a one-of-a-kind dollhouse masterpiece! Assemble and paint a dollhouse with new friends while developing fine motor skills, teamwork, and problem-solving skills. Kashia Robbins, instructor.

June 23-27: Art Sampler

Explore endless creativity and unleash your imagination to create stunning masterpieces. Experiment with watercolors, acrylics, pastels, and more to discover your unique artistic style. Kashia Robbins, instructor.

July 7-11: Barbie Girls **NEW!**

Spark your creativity with stylish Barbie-inspired projects. Design outfits, craft dream houses, and host mini fashion shows. Kashia Robbins, instructor.

July 7-11: Yer' a Wizard!

Calling all magical kids for a week of Harry Potter-themed fun! Join a house and compete for the House Cup. Enjoy crafts, games, and challenges that build teamwork and problem-solving skills. Rachel Shipley, instructor.

July 14-18: Girls Rule!

Join a sisterhood of creativity and connection! Enjoy painting, crafting, storytelling, and self-expression in a fun, supportive space where friendships blossom and creativity shines. Kashia Robbins, instructor.

July 21-25: Disney Art Academy

Step into the magic of Disney! Create Disney-inspired art, sing along to favorite songs, and enjoy a week of laughter, friendship, and unforgettable Disney fun! Katie Everson, instructor.

July 21-25: Level Up! **NEW!**

Level up your creativity at this gaming-inspired camp! Enjoy hands-on art projects like crafting Minecraft creations, designing Mario levels, and bringing video game worlds to life. Kashia Robbins, instructor.

July 28-Aug. 1: Shape & Sculpt **NEW!**

Unleash your creativity in this fun and interactive introduction to the art of clay sculpting. Learn hand-building techniques like pinching, coiling, and slab-building to craft unique clay masterpieces to take home. Andrea Dubiel, instructor.

Entering Grades 4-7

Times: 9am-3pm • \$170/\$140 OI members
(unless otherwise noted)

June 2-6: Pokémon Studio

Learn how to draw, paint, and create in the Pokémon style. Bring your cards to trade and battle with friends! Brad Johnson, instructor.

June 2-6: Imagination Station **NEW!**

Unleash your creativity at this arts & crafts camp! Explore painting, pottery, and more as you create unique art every day. Enjoy a week of inspiration, friendship, and artistic fun! Rachel Shipley, instructor.

June 9-13: Slime Time

Join us for a squishy, stretchy adventure! Master slime-making, experiment with ingredients, create unique recipes, and design custom packaging. Endless gooey fun awaits! Brad Johnson, instructor.

June 9-13 or 23-27: Magic of the Pottery Wheel

Discover the endless possibilities with ceramics as you mold, shape, and sculpt your own unique masterpieces from clay. Learn wheel-throwing, hand-building, and glazing techniques along with firing methods. **A glazing class will be held at noon on Wed., June 18 and Wed., July 2 and is included with each camp.** Rick Morgan, instructor. *180/\$150 OI members (Includes material fee.)

June 16-20 & 23-27: Harry Potter Camp

\$340/\$280 OI members (two-week camp)

Enter the wizarding world of Harry Potter! Join fellow witches and wizards for a creative journey filled with Hogwarts-inspired art, magical adventures, and spellbinding fun. Unleash your inner artist! Rachel Shipley, instructor.

July 7-11: Perler World **IT'S BACK!**

Get ready for a week of colorful creativity! Craft pixelated characters, animals, keychains, and more while exploring new patterns and techniques. Spark your imagination and bring bead art to life! Brad Johnson, instructor.

July 14-18: Lego Legends

Build your LEGO dreams! Create sculptures, artwork, and designs with LEGO bricks while learning engineering and design basics. Unleash your creativity in a world of endless possibilities! Rachel Shipley, instructor.

July 14-18: Back to the Drawing Board **NEW!**

Perfect for budding artists, this camp explores drawing fundamentals using graphite, colored pencils, charcoal, and ink. Enjoy hands-on projects, enhance creativity, and build confidence while sketching and illustrating. Brad Johnson, instructor.

July 21-25: Anime Art Adventures **NEW!**

Step into the world of anime! Learn to draw your favorite characters while mastering expressions and poses. Explore other anime art fundamentals with hands-on projects. Rachel Shipley, instructor.

July 21-25: Mud to Masterpiece Clay Art Camp **NEW!**

Get your hands dirty and dive into the world of ceramics! Learn pinching, coiling, and slab-building to create unique sculptures and pots to take home. Perfect for beginners. Andrea Dubiel, instructor.

July 28- Aug. 1: Video Game Crazy

Celebrate 20 years of video fun at our Video Game Art Camp and Tournament! Explore game design, create characters, and compete in an epic tournament for trophies and prizes. A week of gaming, creativity, and friendly competition awaits! Brad Johnson, instructor.

Preschool Art Camps (Ages 3-5)

Times: 9am-noon • \$85/\$70 OI members
(These camps **DO NOT** go to the pool.)

June 9-13: Art Sampler **NEW!**

Little artists will explore a variety of fun art mediums, from painting and sculpting, to crafts and more. Each day promises new adventures with hands-on activities, colorful projects, a tasty snack break, and playful games to spark imagination and joy. Kelly Lumbatis, instructor.

June 16-20: Hey Barbie! **NEW!**

Step into a world of pink-tastic fun with activities inspired by Barbie's many careers and stories. From fashion design and dancing, to pretend play and creative crafts, each day is filled with exciting experiences. We'll have snack breaks, interactive games, and a chance to explore the magical world of Barbie. Kelly Lumbatis, instructor.

June 23-27: Bluey & Friends **NEW!**

Give your preschooler a week of unforgettable fun. Bluey and Gabby from *Gabby's Dollhouse* lead themed activities, crafts, and games that spark imagination, foster social skills, and encourage active play in a safe environment. Kelly Lumbatis, instructor.

July 7-11: Mickey's Magical Art Adventure **NEW!**

Spark the imagination of your preschooler and make magical memories in this Disney-themed camp. Each day, campers will embark on thrilling adventures with their favorite Disney characters while engaging in themed crafts, fun games, and interactive storytelling. Kelly Lumbatis, instructor.

Teen Art Intensives

Entering Grades 8-Senior Year

Times: 9am-3pm (These camps **DO NOT** go to the pool.)

June 16-20 & 23-27: Hogwarts Academy

\$340/\$280 OI members (two-week camp)

Enter the enchanting world of Hogwarts Academy, a magical Harry Potter-themed art camp! Teens will craft wands, fantastic beasts, and more while competing in a House Cup Trivia Challenge. Enjoy butterbeer, creativity, and camaraderie. **Don't miss the free after-party with pizza and a movie on Friday, June 27.**

July 7-11: Teen Pottery

\$180/\$150 OI members (Includes material fee.)

New students will learn the basics of throwing clay on the pottery wheel while more advanced students can continue to explore new techniques as well as clay hand-building. **A glazing class will be held at noon on Wed., July 16 and is included with this camp.** Rick Morgan, instructor.

DANCE CAMPS

OI SCHOOL OF DANCE

**1330 National Road, Wheeling
304-242-8807**

Dance camps give students the opportunity to learn a variety of dance techniques and express their creativity.

Designed to heighten awareness and appreciation of dance as an art form, our curriculum teaches techniques in various disciplines and presents dance as a means of communication and creative expression.

Camps are fun, challenging, age-appropriate and serve as a great introduction to the dance world while promoting a physically active lifestyle.



June 9-13 or July 14-18: Disney Princess “Ballet Royal” Dance Camp

1:30-3:30pm • Ages 3-9

\$120/\$100 OI members

This summer favorite is sure to surprise and delight. Enjoy a week of princess training and instruction in the fundamentals and technique of ballet and acrobatics. Children may dress in their favorite princess character each day. Celebrate the joy of creative expression and movement that lead to plenty of Fairytale Happy Endings. No previous dance experience needed. Kimberlee Kafana instructor.

June 9-13: Wicked Dance Intensive NEW!

9am-1pm • Ages 10 & up

\$140/\$120 OI members

Let's "Dance Through Life" together at Oglebay Institute School of Dance in the "Wicked" Dance Intensive. Learn the values and storyline of the hit Broadway musical and movie while working on various styles of dance. Learn dances from the soundtrack to the styles of jazz, contemporary, tap, acrobatics and ballet. "Together, we're unlimited!" J'lyse Kafana and Kimberlee Kafana, instructors.

June-August: Private Dance & Tumbling Lessons

\$25 per half hour à la carte • All ages

Private instruction in ballet, tap, jazz, tumbling, and various other styles as requested. Cheryl Pompeo, Kim Kafana, Kathleen Gottus, Kalista J'lyse Kafana, and Rebecca Moore, instructors.

June 9-13: Pointe Camp I & II

1:30-2:30pm (beginners); 2:30-3:30pm (intermediate/advanced)

Ages 10 & up

\$80/\$65 OI members

Work on technique, strength, barre, and center. Must have at least three years ballet experience. Cheryl Pompeo, instructor.

June 16-20: Summer Dance & Vocal Intensive

9am-5pm • Ages 6-21

\$450 per student (includes lunch & t-shirt)

Focused training in the disciplines of ballet, jazz, contemporary, hip hop, modern, and vocal coaching from highly accomplished guest faculty to help prepare students for success in today's diverse world of dance. There will be a showcase on Friday afternoon. **Students must bring their own water bottle and yoga mat.** Instructors TBA.

June 23-27: Broadway Musical Camp

9am-3pm • Grades 5-12

\$190/\$160 OI members

Take a trip to the Great White Way and explore music and dances from some of your favorite Broadway musicals.

Students will hold a performance at Stifel Fine Arts Center on Friday, June 27 at 1:30 pm.

Cheryl Pompeo, instructor.

June 24 & 25: Acting and Dance Through Song: Learn Audition Techniques

(two-day workshop) 10am-3pm • Ages 12 & up • \$160

Join actor, musician, and theatrical producer Ryan McCurdy for a two-day workshop that will focus on strengthening each performer's voice to bring greater tonal clarity and dynamic.



The concepts and methods taught throughout this course teach actors, singers, and dancers how to engage the lyrics of both musical theater and popular rep. Through specific repeatable techniques, both physical and mental, performers of all disciplines discover the core of a song by creating specificity and truth that keep the singer in the moment.

Workshop includes one day of one-on-one training with individual performers and one day of group instruction, which can include performances from the first day's work or in-the-moment work using traditional and popular melodies. **Students are required to bring a song with sheet music they wish to work on during the workshop.**

More about the instructor: Ryan McCurdy is an actor-musician and theatrical producer with Broadway, Off-Broadway, and regional stage credits. He also has film and television experience and a background in both public and private education.

July 7-11: Peter Pan – The Musical NEW!

9am-3pm • Grades K-7

\$190/\$160 OI members, includes t-shirt

Please join us in a free-spirited and adventurous summer musical camp: "Peter Pan". Travel to the island of Neverland, where you will be cast as pirates, indians, lost boys, the Darling Family, Captain Hook, Peter Pan, and all his friends.

Students will hold a performance at Stifel Fine Arts Center on Friday, July 11 at 1:30pm.

Cheryl Pompeo and Kimberlee Kafana, instructors.

July 7-11: Acrobatic Arts Candyland Cirque NEW!

3-5pm • Ages 8 & up

\$120/\$100 OI members

Each day will consist of proper progressions through the Acrobatic Arts training curriculum, working on acrobatic and contortion skills on the mat, as well as using exciting props. Learn to hold handstands on blocks, cartwheel over, and with hula hoops, and so much more. Each day will bring new and exciting ways to achieve and improve strength, cardio, flexibility, and skills, from rolls to handsprings, to cartwheels, to walkovers - all with dance transitions for beautiful, technically correct and safe tricks. How "Sweet" it is to flip and experience overall success. This camp is led by Acrobatic Arts Certified Instructor Kimberlee Kafana.

July 14-18: Technique Camp "Level Up" NEW!

9am-1pm • Ages 10 & up

\$140/\$120 OI members

Take your dancing to the next level. This camp is designed to encourage the dancers to "train hard" and accomplish their goals to pick up choreography faster and implement better technique while doing it. Dancers will come away better prepared to transition from "summer dancers" into their classes for fall. Lower splits, higher jumps, cleaner turns, and improved strength and flexibility, as well as endurance and stamina. Quality Versus Quantity. Kimberlee Kafana, instructor.

July 21-25: Nutcracker Camp

9am-3pm • Grades K-7

\$190/\$160 OI members

It's Christmas in July with dancing flowers, flurries of snowflakes, beautiful fairies, and a legion of mice! Dancers will learn to bring this magical story to life in a July Christmas fantasy!

Students will hold a performance at Stifel Fine Arts Center on Friday, July 25 at 1:30 pm.

Cheryl Pompeo, instructor.

July 24 & 25: Broadway Jazz Dance Workshop (Intermediate/Advanced) NEW!

5-7:30pm • Ages 12 & up

\$90/\$75 OI members

This two-day workshop is for all things jazz! Students will learn choreography inspired by iconic Broadway shows, focusing on stage presence, technique, and musicality. This workshop will help students develop both their technical abilities and their confidence on stage, preparing them for auditions and live performances. Instructor Molly Henthorne is a current Oklahoma City University Star Dance Company member, majoring in Dance. She is a graduate of OI Dance Company and Wheeling Park High School Park Players, as well as a National Thespian Society member.

PERFORMING ARTS CAMPS

TOWNGATE THEATRE

2118 Market Street, Wheeling
304-242-7700

Performing arts camps give young people the opportunity to learn from seasoned actors and experience the joy, pride, praise, and sense of accomplishment that come with performing in front of a live audience. Camps enhance fundamental life skills such as teamwork, patience, mutual respect, self-confidence, tolerance, and creative problem solving. Kids also explore how to create characters, props, costumes, and scenery.



June 2-6 or June 9-13 or June 16-20: Acting Camp

9am-3pm • Entering Grades 3-8

\$190/ \$160 OI members (includes t-shirt)

Learn the basic elements of acting while rehearsing a short play determined on the first day of camp. Enhance vocal and physical skills through warm-up exercises, play acting games and have free time to dress up and play with props. **Campers must be available at 2pm on Friday for a performance.** Alex Hill and Tim Thompson, instructors.

June 23-27: Fairy Tale Camp

9am-3pm • Entering Grades 1-3

\$190/ \$160 OI members (includes t-shirt)

Learn about acting through exercises in teamwork, improvisation, concentration, voice, and body language. Led by the Towngate artistic staff, campers will create several short plays adapted from popular fairy tales to perform at 2pm on the final day of camp. Tim Thompson and Dave Henderson, instructors.

July 7-11: Improvisation Camp

9am-3pm • Entering Grades 5-8

\$190/ \$160 OI members (includes t-shirt)

Use your imagination to create a scene that is inspired by a simple one-word suggestion. This “short form” improvisation camp will end with a performance of “Whose Turn Is It Anyway?” at 2pm on Friday. Tim Thompson, instructor.

July 14-18: Musical Theatre Camp

9am-3pm • Entering Grades 4-8

\$190/ \$160 OI members (includes t-shirt)

Students will sing, dance, and act as they develop the skills needed to become a “triple threat.” They will learn a physical and vocal warm-up, as well as work on scenes, songs, and choreography from several popular musicals that will culminate with a showcase performance at 2pm on Friday. Erin Bond and Kristin Cooper, instructors.

July 21-25: Stage Craft Camp

9am-3pm • Entering Grades 4-8

\$190/ \$160 OI members (includes t-shirt)

This camp will explore the fundamentals of constructing and painting stage scenery and creating props and costumes through practical hands-on experiences. Students should wear older clothing and shoes that are okay to get messy. Dave Henderson and Tim Thompson, instructors.

2025 CAMPS BY WEEK:

June 2-6:

- From Bees to Butter Nature Camp (grade K)
- Shipwrecked Nature Camp (grades 1-3)
- Full STEAM Ahead Nature Camp (grades 4-7)
- Pocket Monster Mania Art Camp (grades 1-3)
- Pokémon Studio Art Camp (grades 4-7)
- Imagination Station Art Camp (grades 4-7)
- Acting Camp (grades 3-8)

June 9-13:

- Puddle Jumpers Nature Camp (grades K)
- Super-Humans Nature Camp (grades 1-3)
- What's the Buzz? Nature Camp (grades 4-7)
- Art Sampler (ages 3-5)
- Mine Craft & Create Art Camp (grades 1-3)
- Slime Time Art Camp (grades 4-7)
- Magic of the Pottery Wheel (grades 4-7)
- Disney Princess Dance Camp (ages 3-9)
- Wicked Dance Intensive (ages 10 & up)
- Pointe Camp I & II (ages 10 & up)
- Acting Camp (grades 3-8)

June 16-20:

- Happy Holiday Nature Camp (grades K)
- Abraca-sci Nature Camp (grades 1-3)
- Edible Science (grades 4-7)
- Hey Barbie! Art Camp (ages 3-5)
- Dollhouse Dreams Art Camp (grades 1-3)
- Harry Potter Art Camp Week 1 (grades 4-7)
- Hogwarts Academy Art Intensive Week 1 (grades 8-senior yr.)
- Summer Dance & Vocal Intensive (ages 6-21)
- Acting Camp (grades 3-8)

June 23-27:

- Ding, Dang, Dinosaurs! Nature Camp (grades 1-3)
- Kaleidoscope Nature Camp (grades 1-3)
- Survive & Thrive Nature Camp (grades 4-7)
- Bluey & Friends Art Camp (ages 3-5)
- Art Sampler (grades 1-3)
- Magic of the Pottery Wheel (grades 4-7)
- Harry Potter Art Camp Week 2 (grades 4-7)
- Hogwarts Academy Art Intensive Week 2 (grades 8-senior yr.)
- Broadway Musical Dance Camp (grades 5-12)
- Acting and Dance Through Song Workshop (June 24 & 25) (ages 12 & up)
- Fairy Tale Camp (grades 1-3)

July 7-11:

- Myths & Mystery Files Nature Camp (grades 1-3)
- Ants In Our Plants Nature Camp (grades 1-3)
- Ready Camper One Nature Camp (grades 4-7)
- Mickey's Magical Art Adventure (ages 3-5)
- Barbie Girls Art Camp (grades 1-3)
- Yer' a Wizard! Art Camp (grades 1-3)
- Perler World Art Camp (grades 4-7)
- Teen Pottery (grades 8-senior yr.)
- Peter Pan The Musical Dance Camp (grades K-7)
- Acrobatic Arts Candyland Cirque (ages 8 & up)
- Improvisation Camp (grades 5-8)

July 14-18:

- Wizarding World Nature Camp (grades 1-3)
- Catch 'Em All Nature Camp (grades 1-3)
- Junior Nature Camp (July 13-19) (ages 10-16)
- Girls Rule! Art Camp (grades 1-3)
- Lego Legends Art Camp (grades 4-7)
- Back to the Drawing Board (grades 4-7)
- Dance Technique Camp (ages 10 & up)
- Disney Princess Dance Camp (ages 3-9)
- Musical Theatre Camp (grades 4-8)

July 21-25:

- Drip, Drip, Splash Nature Camp (grades 1-3)
- Water 'Bout That Nature Camp (grades 4-7)
- Disney Art Academy (grades 1-3)
- Level Up! Art Camp (grades 1-3)
- Anime Art Adventures (grades 4-7)
- Mud to Masterpiece Clay Art Camp (grades 4-7)
- Nutcracker Dance Camp (grades K-7)
- Broadway Jazz Dance Workshop (July 24 & 25) (ages 12 & up)
- Stage Craft Camp (grades 4-8)

July 28-August 1

- Exploring the Unexplored Nature Camp (grades 1-3)
- Wood Nymphs Club (grades 1-3)
- Dragons & Myths Nature Camp (grades 4-7)
- Shape & Sculpt Art Camp (grades 1-3)
- Video Game Crazy Art Camp (grades 4-7)

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