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AGES 8-18 - Registration to participate is OPEN.

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WHAT IS The BrightSide Theatre Youth Project? The BrightSide Theatre Project was developed to provide a professional and educational learning experience for grade school to high school students interested in exploring musical theater. In this program, children work directly with professional directors, musical directors, choreographers, designers, and artists to develop their own theatrical skills. After very successful productions for the last 9 SEASONS, we are happy to announce that this year's BrightSide Theatre Youth Project production will be **Sister Act, Jr. (Rehearsals in LISLE (NEAR BENET ACADEMY) Performances at the Theatre at Meiley-Swallow Hall on the campus of North Central College!)**

THE SHOW: *Sister Act Jr.*

Based on the hit 1992 film and Tony-nominated Broadway musical, Sister Act JR. is the feel-good musical comedy that will have audiences jumping to their feet! Featuring original music by Alan Menken (Newsies, Beauty and the Beast, Little Shop of Horrors).

When disco diva, Deloris Van Cartier, witnesses a murder, she is put in protective custody in the one place the cops are sure she won't be a found: a convent! Disguised as a nun, she finds herself at odds with both the rigid lifestyle and uptight Mother Superior. Using her unique disco moves and singing talent to inspire the choir, Deloris breathes new life into the church and community but, in doing so, blows her cover. Soon, the gang is giving chase, only to find them up against Deloris and the power of her newly found sisterhood.

Filled with powerful gospel music, outrageous dancing, and a truly moving story, Sister Act JR. will leave audiences breathless. A sparkling tribute to the universal power of friendship, Sister Act JR. is a reason to REJOICE!

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE: LIMITED TO 35 PARTICIPANTS!!!

CALL 630-447-8497 to register or visit www.brightsidetheatre.com. Only 35 participants will be able to sign up for this amazing experience. All aged 8-18 (typically 2nd/3rd Grade through High School can participate.)

COST: Tuition fee to participate is \$400 (there is a sibling discount). Payment must be made to reserve your child's participation.

ALL ROLES AVAILABLE: Once payment is received, you will receive a [link to pick a time to audition](#) **10-1pm Saturday, December 3** or **10-1 Sunday, December 4** at the BrightSide Theatre Rehearsal Studio, 1989 University Lane, Unit D, Lisle, IL 60532. At auditions, please prepare a 32 bar cut of a song – an accompanist will be present or your child may sing A Capella. A dance routine will be taught in a small group as well. After auditioning, your child will be measured for costumes, and scripts, and music materials will be handed out to participants.

****IF YOU MISS THE AUDITION, WE WILL STILL ACCEPT AN AUDITION VIDEO TO COMPLETE CASTING.****

Roles will be assigned based on the audition (after registration and fees are paid). Commemorative T-shirt provided. THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS based on casting decisions.

REHEARSALS: Rehearsals will begin the week of January 9, 2023. They will take place Tuesdays & Wednesdays 6-7:30 pm, Saturdays 12-2pm and Sundays 1-4pm at the BrightSide Theatre Rehearsal Studio in LISLE near Benet Academy. All cast **will not** be called every rehearsal yet availability for rehearsals may affect casting. Please review your family's calendar and be prepared to mark down all known conflicts at the audition (including concerts with school, vacations, sports events, etc).

TECH WEEK: Tech rehearsals will be in the performance space at the Theatre at Meiley-Swallow Hall in Naperville (31 S. Ellsworth Ave.) Monday through Thursday (February 13 through 16) from 5-8 pm. THESE REHEARSALS ARE MANDATORY and must take priority with your child's schedule.

PERFORMANCES: Performances are Saturdays, February 18 & 25 at 11 am and 2 pm AND Sundays, February 19 & 26 at 6 pm. Tickets will be available online to purchase! ALL CAST MUST BE AVAILABLE FOR ALL PERFORMANCES. The show will **not** have multiple casts.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS: In order to provide the safest environment for all participants – just like our mainstage professional performers, we are requiring all participants to be fully vaccinated and be ready to provide proof of vaccination **no later than the start of rehearsals on January 9, 2023**. We will be following all health and Covid-safe guidelines in place when they are held including, but not limited to, social-distancing, masks and sanitizing (which will be provided) during rehearsals. Performances will be mask optional per discussion with families.

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