

Performing Arts



Upcoming Performances

The Music Man, Kids

Spring Children's Musical

Big Deal Productions is thrilled to present *The Music Man, Kids* as the spring children's musical theater production. There's trouble in River City when a fast-talking salesman gets his heart stolen by the town librarian in this adaptation of the Tony Award-winning Broadway classic. Featuring treasured songs, such as "Seventy-six Trombones" and "Goodnight, My Someone," *The Music Man, Kids* will surely delight audiences of all ages!

Performances will be held on April 18 and 19 at 7 pm, and April 20 and 21 at 3 pm at the Community Arts Center. All tickets are \$15, and will be available for purchase at bigdealproductions.org starting on March 21. For more information, contact Lindsay Grandt at 847.850.2132 or lindsay@bgparks.org.

Broadway Buddies Accessible Theater

Aladdin Jr.

Directed by Debra Goldman
May 17 at 7 pm

Big Deal Productions, in collaboration with Northwest Special Recreation Association is excited to present this year's Broadway Buddies Accessible Theater show, *Aladdin Jr.* This show will be loved by audiences of all ages. Join us for an after party, and get the autographs of our actors, enjoy some snacks, and celebrate our amazing Big Deal performers.

The performance is scheduled for May 17 at 7 pm at the Community Arts Center. All tickets are \$14 in advance or \$16 at the door. Tickets will be on sale at bigdealproductions.org starting on April 4. For more information, contact Brian O'Malley at 847.850.2123 or brian@bgparks.org.



Upcoming Auditions

Summer Musical

Big Deal Productions is pleased to announce auditions for our summer musical. Auditions are open to all adult performers, as well as teens ages 14 and up. Auditions will be held on Monday, May 13 and Tuesday, May 14 from 6:30 - 9 pm at the Community Arts Center. Callbacks will be held on Thursday, May 16, in the evening.

Auditions for this production can be reserved online at bigdealproductions.org starting on April 3. **Please note:** Spaces are limited and filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Please prepare a musical theater song, and bring sheet music (in the key you will sing it) for your song selection. Please dress comfortably and wear appropriate footwear for a dance audition.

Rehearsals for this production will be held on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings, and Saturdays from 10 am - 1:30 pm. Cast members will be responsible for securing appropriate footwear/tights/undergarments and stage makeup for the show. Performances are scheduled for the weekends of July 19 - 20 and 26 - 28. For more information, contact Lindsay Grandt at 847.850.2132 or lindsay@bgparks.org.

BG Singers

Be a part of Buffalo Grove's choral heart and soul! The BG Singers will celebrate their 29th anniversary concert in the fall of 2024 and are looking to fill vacancies for certain voice parts. Auditions will be held on April 9 at the Community Arts Center and are scheduled by appointment only. To schedule your audition, email the director, Linda Rosen, at lrosen@bgparks.org. If accepted into the group, the participation fee is \$200, which includes a full set of choral music. Rehearsals for the chorus start on April 23 and are held on Tuesday evenings and occasional Saturday afternoons. Chorus members are responsible for the cost of securing all necessary costume items. The season will culminate with the annual concert over the weekend of September 27 - 29. If you are interested in joining this entertaining and exciting choral group, contact Lindsay Grandt at 847.850.2132 or lindsay@bgparks.org.

Acting & Music Classes

Showbiz Kids Club

Based off of our highly popular Starmakers summer camp, this is the place to be for kids who are ready to be a part of a real musical performance. Each star will be cast in our musical review that will be performed for friends and family the last week of class. Each student will need jazz or ballet shoes and a water bottle each class. Students will start to learn the basics of acting, singing, and dance as they prepare for their big show. This is your child's chance to build self-confidence and be a shining star on the stage. For more information, contact Brian O'Malley at 847.850.2123 or brian@bgparks.org.

Age: 3 - 4 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
460819-01	Tue	Apr 2 - June 4	4:30 - 5:15 pm	\$100/\$125
460819-02	Wed	Apr 3 - June 5	4:30 - 5:15 pm	\$100/\$125

Instructor: Gross

Location: Community Arts Center

Center Stage Stars

This class will transition those performers you have at home to the stage for a true musical theater experience. Students will work on acting, singing, dancing, basic stage directions, and theater terms. The actors will all have lines and participate in 2 group numbers in our musical review that will be performed for friends and family the last week of class. Each student will need jazz or ballet shoes and a water bottle each class. This is your child's chance to build self-confidence, make new friends, and be a shining star on the stage. For more information, contact Brian O'Malley at 847.850.2123 or brian@bgparks.org.

Age: 5 - 6 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
460801-01	Wed	Apr 3 - June 5	5:15 - 6 pm	\$100/\$125
460801-02	Wed	Apr 3 - June 5	6 - 6:45 pm	\$100/\$125

Instructor: Kirkham

Location: Community Arts Center

Music Theater Magic

This class is designed for children with all levels of theater experience. This scene study and musical theater class will focus on scene work as well as singing, acting, dancing, and theater basics. While exploring theater, your actor will work on a show, make friends, and grow as an artist. Actors will need jazz shoes (any color), a water bottle, and a binder. There will be a performance the last week of class to show friends and family the hard work. For more information, contact Brian O'Malley at 847.850.2123 or brian@bgparks.org.

Age: 7 - 10 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
460820-01	Tue	Apr 2 - June 4	5:30 - 6:45 pm	\$200/\$250

Instructor: Gross

Location: Community Arts Center

Improvisation

This class is perfect for students who are ready to get silly and creative, all while building self-confidence and social skills. It is also great for beginners or little experts in the improv world. The last day of class will be open for you to see your actors use their skills. For more information, contact Brian O'Malley at 847.850.2123 or brian@bgparks.org.

Age: 7 - 10 years

Code	Day	Date	Time	ID/OD Fee
460821-01	Tue	Apr 2 - June 4	7:15 - 8 pm	\$100/\$125

Instructor: Kirkham

Location: Community Arts Center

Private Instruction

Piano Lessons

The Buffalo Grove Park District offers piano lessons under the direction of Mrs. Nanci Karlin at the Community Arts Center. Children in 1st grade and up and adults with all levels of experience are welcome, and no prior instruction is required. Students will need to own a piano or keyboard to practice at home between lessons and purchase their own instruction books and music prior to their first lesson. For information on pricing and availability, contact Lindsay Grandt at 847.850.2132 or lindsay@bgparks.org.

Touring Ensembles

BG Singers Encore



BG Singers Encore is a group of talented men and women who travel the Chicagoland area entertaining at corporate parties, benefits, libraries, festivals, and retirement homes. They have performed at such events as the Arlington Million and Long Grove's Strawberry Festival, and have sung the National Anthem at both Wrigley Field and the former U.S. Cellular Field. The group delights audiences with shows that feature their high-energy and enthusiastic vocal performances. Especially popular is their Holiday Show that they offer during the months of November and December. Encore! is proud that they were the champion in "Sing 2011," a national competition for singing ensembles.

For information on how to book this talented group for your next function, go to bgencore.org or call Bruce Bohrer at 847.394.2797.

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Looking for music and theatre classes for your youngest actors? See **page 29** for our Kindermusik classes.