

# 2025-2026 COMPANY TROUPE



## DEAR PARENTS & ACTORS,

FAPA is pleased to announce auditions for our FAPA Company Troupe. The FAPA Company Troupe is an auditioned group of 25-35 students who are interested in developing their “triple threat” skills as actors, singers and dancers through weekly classes with FAPA instructors and guest instructors and through the experience of rehearsing and presenting a musical (this year’s production will be Xanadu, Jr!) in October of 2025 as well as rehearsing and presenting a 15 minute cut of the show for the 2025 Junior Theater Festival in January 2026 in Atlanta.

Our Company Troupe is designed for students who are serious about studying the performing arts. It is intended for students who are interested in improving their own skills and abilities and also for students who have a passion for working collaboratively with a team as a part of the creative process.

Read on for more information about this program and the requirements to audition. We look forward to seeing you soon!

The FAPA Team



## WHO SHOULD AUDITION?

- Students who are age 12 as of September 1, 2025 through students who will be seniors in 2026.
- Students who are interested in improving their acting, singing and dancing skills
- Students who love collaboration and teamwork and who are directable, coachable and excited to learn.

*Please attend!*

**MANDATORY PARENT  
MEETING:**

**FEBRUARY 12  
6:30PM VIA ZOOM**

**LINK ON OUR  
WEBSITE!**

## *Attendance Policies:*

- The full rehearsal schedule for the year is attached in this packet. Please look over it carefully to determine whether you can make the time commitment of being a part of FAPA's Company Troupe.
- **Attendance Policies will be strictly enforced:**
  - Absences are highly discouraged.
  - Students who miss more than 5 rehearsals (beginning in August) will be excused from performing with the troupe in their October performances.
  - Students who miss more than 3 rehearsals between the October performances and JTF will be excused from performing at the Junior Theater Festival. These students may still attend the festival with FAPA, but they will not be allowed to perform.
  - These attendance policies will be strictly enforced.
- Please note that we work with this group to instill professional habits. This means that "on time" for rehearsal means in place and ready to work at the start of rehearsal, not arriving at the start time. We use the mantra: "Early is on time and on time is late."
- **High school students:** Please take care to double check dates prior to making a commitment to audition for Company. Our performances are during One Act season, so participating in both the Company Troupe and your school's One Act can be problematic if your teacher is not supportive and understanding of your involvement at FAPA.

# Rehearsal Schedule

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Saturday, February 22nd	10am-2pm	Auditions
Saturday, February 22nd	5pm-7pm	Callbacks
Monday, March 10th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Monday, March 24th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Monday, April 7th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Monday, April 28th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Monday, May 5th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Monday, May 12th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Friday, August 1st	4pm-9pm	Company Camp
Saturday, August 2nd	10am-6pm	Company Camp
Monday, August 4th	5:30pm-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Monday, August 11th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Monday, August 18th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal & JTF Ticket Money Due
Saturday, August 23rd	10am-5pm	Rehearsal
Monday, August 25th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Monday, September 8th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Monday, September 15th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Saturday, September 27th	10am-5pm	Rehearsal
Monday, September 29th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Saturday, October 4th	10am-5pm	<b>TECH/DRESS</b>
Monday, October 6th	7:30-10pm	<b>TECH/DRESS</b>
Friday, October 10th	<b>PERFORMANCE</b>	
Saturday, October 11th	<b>PERFORMANCES</b>	
Monday, October 13th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal & JTF Hotel Money Due
Monday, October 27th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Monday, November 3rd	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Monday, November 10th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Saturday, November 15th	10am-5pm	Rehearsal
Monday, November 17th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Monday, December 1st	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Monday, December 8th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Saturday, December 13th	10am-5pm	Rehearsal
Monday, December 15th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal/Holiday Party
Monday, January 5th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Saturday January 10th	10am-6pm	Rehearsal
Monday, January 12th	7:30-9:30pm	Rehearsal
Friday-Sunday, January 16th-18th	<b>JTF 2026!!</b>	

# Financial Obligations:

## FAPA Tuition & Costs:

- Tuition for the Company Troupe is \$158/month for March, April, May, August, September, October, November and December. This tuition is automatically billed to the card we have on file for your family..
- This tuition includes all production expenses for the October performances, scripts, JTF performance shirt, tote bag, Company embroidered sweatshirt or jacket and additional “swag” items for JTF.
- There are no refunds of monthly tuition payments.
- **Monthly tuition does NOT include ANY costs associated with JTF.**

## JTF Admission & Costs:

### JTF ADMISSION:

- Admission into JTF will be determined by the Junior Theater Festival in late Spring 2025. We will announce this cost as soon as it is released so that you can plan. We estimate the cost to be *approximately* \$360 per person.
  - The JTF admission includes a ticket to all festival events including the students' performance and adjudication, all workshops, all mainstage productions and concerts, and any additional festival events as well as a JTF t-shirt.
- Admission to JTF will be automatically deducted using the credit card we have on file for your family on **August 18th**.

### JTF ACCOMMODATIONS:

- We will offer a group rate at one of the JTF conference hotels near the Cobb Galleria where the event takes place. Our families are NOT required to stay with the group. If you find a better deal, prefer to use points or even want to drive back and forth each day, you're welcome to do so. We will release hotel information on/around mid August so that you have time to decide/plan.
- For those that choose to stay with the group hotel payments will be due on October 13th.

## Important Note!

**FAPA REQUIRES EVERY STUDENT TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT FOR THE FESTIVAL.** FAPA staff does NOT supervise students at JTF. **This means that each family will need to purchase at least TWO admission tickets to JTF.** And you're welcome to bring the whole family...we're happy for siblings and/or additional parents to also attend!

# Audition Information and Tips

- **Auditions will be held on February 22, 2025.**
- **The link to sign up for an audition time slot is on our website. Please plan to stay the full hour of your audition slot.**
- We may invite some students back for callbacks on the evening of the auditions. **Please watch your emails the day of your audition in case you receive an invitation to come for a callback at 5pm.** If you don't receive a callback, no need to panic! We will not call back every actor we will cast!
- Students cast in FAPA's Company will be notified no later than March 2nd via email. Please make sure your email address is correct on your audition form.
- Audition forms will be available on our website no later than February 12th.

We strive to make auditions at FAPA a positive, encouraging experience, but we know they can be nerve-wracking! The absolute best way to ensure the least amount of disruptive nerves at an audition is to be fully prepared. Please read the following for how you can be most well-prepared for your audition! There are three portions to the audition: Acting, Singing and Dancing

## ACTING:

- Relax! There's nothing specific to prepare!
- You can always check out Music Theatre International's website to see a character breakdown of the show as well as some snippets from the script you can read so that you're aware of the story and characters in advance. Google is a great place to get info to prepare!
- In the audition room, we'll give you a short cut from the script, give you a few minutes to read over it and then ask that you read with a scene partner. (If you have reading difficulties, no problem! Just let us know ahead of time so that we can ensure you have extra time to go over the script.)
- It's possible that we may do some improvisation together during your audition time. Again, there's nothing to prepare...just relax and have fun!

## SINGING:

- Students should prepare **one minute of a musical theater song** with an accompaniment track.
- Please do not expect to sing longer than one minute.
- Please bring a blue-tooth speaker for your audition to eliminate technical issues from trying to connect to one of our devices on site.
- Tips for choosing an audition song:
  - Students should prepare one minute of a song in the style of the show. Specifically:
    - A) A musical theatre song in the style of Xanadu (think Doo-Wop/Rock... Grease, Little Shop, Rocky Horror, etc.)
    - B) A non-musical theatre song by or in the style of Electric Light Orchestra (Wings, Earth Wind and Fire, Alan Parsons, etc.)
    - C) A musical theatre or non-musical theatre song by or in the style of Olivia Newton-John (ABBA, Cindy Lauper, etc.)

We encourage you to think outside the box and find something you wouldn't traditionally sing for a musical theatre audition. If you have trouble finding things, ask your parents/guardian; they might have some ideas!!!

- Tips for your accompaniment track:
  - Please come with your track pre-saved.
  - Find the track on Youtube (search the title with "karaoke" or "instrumental" to find a track that doesn't have any voices; only accompaniment.
  - Screen record the cut of the song you'll be singing with a device like a smartphone or tablet. This way you don't have access Youtube in the audition room, which will eliminate issues with wifi.
  - On the audition day, come with your device and speaker already connected so that you can come in, tell us who you are and be ready to sing with minimal hassle and worry!

## DANCING:

- Again, nothing to prepare in advance! Come dressed in clothes and shoes that are comfortable and easy to move in and we'll teach you a combination!

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The JTF admission fee is approximately \$360 per person attending (this is the cost PER PERSON for students and parents/siblings/guests). We are happy for as many people from your family to attend as you'd like!

### **JTF HOTEL:**

Staying in the JTF hotel room blocks with our Troupe is completely optional. If you decide to stay with our group, those fees will be due in early October. We will send out options and prices as soon as they are given to us this summer so that you can decide the best option for your family. If you would prefer to drive to Cobb County each day or stay in a different nearby hotel using points/miles/etc, you are welcome to do so...whatever works best for your family and your budget. **Please keep an eye on your emails over the summer so that you don't miss the hotel information.**

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