



Dear members of the 2021 Mainstage Musical family,

Thank you for choosing to spend your summer with us! We are excited that your family has chosen to participate in this year's musical, *Rodgers + Hammerstein's Cinderella!*

Typically, we meet in person to invite participation, share schedules, introduce our team, and communicate other important information. As an extra layer of caution, we decided meeting together as a large group this early in the process may not be the most prudent decision in relation to COVID-19, and therefore a website specifically for our Mainstage Musical families was set up as a tool to utilize as a virtual replacement for this year's annual Mainstage Musical Kick-off event. We hope you find it helpful and that it answers many of your questions.

Here are some important topics you will find available online:

1. [Enjoy behind the scenes information](#) on the inspiration and vision for the artistic elements of the show, including a sneak peak at the design elements. This includes the magnificent scenic and spectacular costuming renderings!
2. [Meet the production staff.](#) Read bios of the numerous artists we have brought together for you to study with this summer.
3. [Learn all about the numerous volunteer opportunities available.](#) PARENTS, WE NEED YOU! There is a live link to sign up for areas in which you feel most comfortable sharing your time and talents with us. Things like ushering, parking, helping spread the word about the show, selling concessions, and so much more!

As a thank you to our volunteers, we will provide you 1 general admission ticket for every 5 hours you volunteer, up to 10 general admission tickets. Also, for each parent who donates 50 hours or more of time, we will provide you with a special commemorative photo of your child as a souvenir gift for your hard work. If this is something you wish to commit to, you will find a pledge form to complete. Once we receive your pledge form, we will put a special package together for you that will include your complimentary ticket vouchers. You may upgrade your general admission ticket vouchers to a reserved seat by paying the difference in price, if you wish. Tickets go on sale Monday, so get your pledge forms in this weekend so you can take advantage of this great offer.

4. [Get the first look at our Cinderella show shirt and other Trollwood merchandise.](#) Shirts are available for purchase in the main office now.
5. [Meet our 2021 student leaders.](#)
6. [Congratulate with us the Matthew Thibedeau Scholarship award recipients for 2021.](#)
7. [Get the details about how to purchase tickets starting Monday, June 7 at 10 am!](#) You may purchase tickets on-line or in person at our box office. Ticketing is being done differently this year. ALL TICKETS ARE BEING SOLD ON-LINE OR AT OUR BOX OFFICE. This includes General Admission tickets! We

will not be selling our tickets at Hornbacher's this year, for COVID mitigation reasons. We are allowed to have full capacity audiences, but we need to know who is coming and which nights in case anything would happen to change as we move through the summer. For this reason, your volunteer vouchers are NOT GENERAL ADMISSION TICKETS this year. They must be exchanged at our box office for a specific night.

8. Within our "[summer orientation guide](#)" you will find a full schedule of rehearsal details, along with numerous important dates you will need to know.

Also, included in the guide are tips for items to bring to classes and rehearsals. Other logistic information, such as policies and procedures we have outlined for a successful summer. Please read through the guide as an overview of everything you will need to know, and then click on the links provided for even more information on the areas that pertain to you specifically.

9. [Cast, crew, and orchestra members, you will find a STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT link.](#) We ask that both students and parents read through this information carefully, as it outlines some important information that each of you must sign and return to the appropriate leader outlined on the first day of rehearsal, and no later than Monday, June 7. You may also drop it off at the reception desk, if you wish.

There are still opportunities for students to be involved this summer! If you have a friend who wishes to be part of Cinderella, we are actively recruiting run crew members for our numerous technical theater departments. Lights, sound, wardrobe, hair & make-up, props, and scenery are all critical to making this show a success! In addition to run crews, there may be some spots still available for assisting with the build of the show in each of these areas. Please consider being part of the "behind the scenes" which is where so much of the "magic" happens!

Students, if you have not registered yet, you must do so immediately. All students involved with Cinderella (cast, crew, and orchestra) must complete a registration form and pay the registration fees. If you are unable to afford the fees, aid is available. The deadlines have past, but we will still make certain to do what we can to help you out. Please fill out the financial aid request form on our website or call our office for more information. WE NEED YOU TO REGISTER NOW!

I appreciate you taking the time to read through this letter and to review the special website we have created especially for you. Again, thank you for choosing to spend your summer with us! Please don't hesitate to call with any questions you might have. We look forward to spending our summer with YOU.

Warmest Regards,



Kathy Anderson
Executive Director

