



Pegasus Ensemble

Program and Audition Information

Incoming ensemble: Fall 2021

Thank you for your interest in the Pegasus Ensemble program at Imagination Stage!

Pegasus Ensemble is a two-year training and performance program for students ages 14-21* with cognitive, physical, and/or developmental disabilities, providing them the opportunity for in-depth theatre arts technique and life skills while working together as an ensemble. **Please note that students ages 18–21 **must** be enrolled in high school or a high school equivalency program.*

AUDITIONS/COMMITMENT: While year-round classes and summer productions are open to all students, Pegasus Ensemble members participate in an audition process prior the program starting. Pegasus students are asked to have consistent and dependable attendance. Actors who are accepted into the program are done so with the understanding that they will, to the best of their ability, remain committed to the program for its entire two year duration.

UPON ACCEPTANCE:

- **Tuition:** \$550 per semester
- **Class Meeting Days/Times:** Wednesdays 4:30-6:30 p.m.
 - **Year 1:** Fall 2021: September 22 –December 15, 2021 | Winter/Spring: January – April, 2022
 - **Year 2:** Fall 2022: September –December, 2021 | Winter/Spring: January – April, 2023
- **Final Performance Weekend:** Early March, 2023 held in the Christopher and Dana Reeve Studio Theatre.

AUDITION PROCESS:

Pegasus Ensemble auditions are conducted in a group setting. Student artists will take part in a group workshop for the first half of the audition process. The workshop will consist of theatre warm-ups, games, and exercises. This is a chance for students to demonstrate how they work within an ensemble. Afterwards, each student will present a solo creation.

With their solo creation, students should **showcase their ability to tell a story**. Using a maximum of three minutes, students are asked to tell a story in some way. This could be a piece of text from a favorite play/show/movie, retelling a favorite family story with great expression, or presenting a favorite fairytale/legend playing different characters with voices and movements. Students are encouraged to be creative and think outside the box to showcase their skills. (No songs, please)

Pegasus looks for students who demonstrate commitment to theatrical training, a positive attitude, an understanding of what it means to be part of an ensemble, and a willingness to try new things throughout the learning process.

Please note: We have a lot of interest in Pegasus each year, and we cannot always accept everyone who auditions. It is important for both parents and students to discuss and be prepared for either outcome of this audition. We will provide feedback and class recommendations for future classes and growth opportunities to any students who are not accepted into the program.

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Audition Dates:

- **Wednesday, August 25** (5:00-6:15)
- **Wednesday, August 25** (6:15-7:30)
- **Thursday, August 26** (5:00-6:15)
- **Thursday, August 26** (6:15-7:30)

Please email or call Scott S. Turner (sturner@imaginationstage.org or 301-280-1631) to ask any questions and to schedule an audition.

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