Unless noted, all events are held in the Fred P. Meagher Theatre, located in the Thomas A. Bruder, Jr. Life Center at Neumann University, One Neumann Drive, Aston, Pennsylvania. The Life Center and Theatre are handicapped accessible. For tickets or additional information about any programs of The Arts Guild, please call the Office of Cultural Programming at

610-558-5626

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The Arts Guild at Neumann University

was established in 1991 to enhance the high level of cultural enrichment presented to the Delaware Valley Community. The eight member organizations—Center Stage Productions, the Cultural Arts Forum, the Delaware County Symphony, International Ballet Classique, the Neumann University Art Gallery, the Neumann University Concert Chorale, the Neumann University Jazz Band, and the Neumann University Players— offer performances and seminars in the Fred P. Meagher Theatre in an atmosphere that provides fine acoustics, architectural excellence, and comfortable continental seating.

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CENTER STAGE PRODUCTIONS

Main Stage Annie

Book by Thomas Meehan **Music by Charles Strouse** Lyrics by Martin Charnin Thursday, Friday & Saturday, August 16, 17, 18 • 8:00 p.m. Sunday, August 19 • 2:00 p.m.

Leapin' Lizards! The irrepressible comic strip heroine takes center stage at Neumann University. Based on Harold Gray's popular comic strip, Annie has become a worldwide phenomenon and was the winner of seven Tony Awards including Best Musical. Little Orphan Annie charms everyone's hearts despite a next-to-nothing start in 1930s New York City. She is determined to find her parents who abandoned her on the doorstep of a New York City orphanage that is run by the cruel, embittered Miss Hannigan. With the help of the other orphans, Annie escapes to the wondrous world of NYC. In adventure after fun-filled adventure, Annie foils Miss Hannigan's evil machinations and even befriends Franklin Delano Roosevelt. She manages to find a new home and family with Oliver Warbucks, Warbuck's personal secretary, Grace Farrell, and a lovable mutt named Sandy. ADMISSION: General \$15; College students with ID \$12; Children/Students under 18 years \$12; Seniors \$12.



Children's Theater

The Commedia Rapunzel

A Children's Participatory Play By Lane Riosley Thursday, July 12 • 7:30 p.m. Friday & Saturday, July 13, 14 • 11:00 a.m. (running time approx. 50 minutes)

Come enjoy this improvisational theater program for children and adults alike! The characters are portrayed as poor travelers who have made all their props from objects they have found. Their acrobatics, dance, music and quick wit make this Rapunzel play great fun. Columbine, Rosetta, Punchin, and Arlequin all let down their hair to tackle this tangled tale. When Gottel the Witch (played by Rosetta, naturally) discovers the thief in her garden, she tricks him into exchanging his first-born daughter for the salad he took. Full of comedy and witty amusement, this commedia tale is a sure delight! ADMISSION: General \$8; Group rates

Junie B. Jones, The Musical Jr.

Book & Lyrics by Marcy Heisler Music by Zina Goldrich Adapted from the Junie B. Jones Series of books by Barbara Park Thursday, July 19 • 7:30 p.m. Friday & Saturday, July 20, 21 • 11:00 a.m. (running time approx. 70 minutes)

Join Junie B. on her first day of first grade, as she experiences many changes – all new to her. Junie's best friend Lucille has found new best friends while some of her other friends are happy to be with new buddies making it a disappointing time for Junie. She continues to experience many new happenings which cause her both consternation and joy. Junie soon makes friends with Herb, the new kid at school, who helps to cheer her up and deal with the changes. Other happenings include possibly needing glasses, and a foot injury. Factor in a friendly cafeteria lady, an intense kickball tournament and a "Top-Secret Personal Beeswax Journal," and Junie eventually finds that first grade could never have been more fun and exciting.

ADMISSION: General \$8; Group rates available.

Into The Woods, Jr.

Music and Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim Book by James Lapine Originally directed on Broadway by James Lapine

Thursday, July 26 • 7:30 p.m. Friday & Saturday, July 27, 28 • 11:00 a.m. (running time approx. 70 minutes)

Be careful what you wish for as this lyrically rich telling of a classic, Brothers Grimm fable comes to life. This adaptation features all your favorite characters - Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood, Jack (as in the Beanstalk), and the Witch. The musical centers on a baker and his wife, who wish to have a child, Cinderella, who wishes to attend the king's festival, and Jack, who wishes his cow would give milk. Come see what happens to the characters as they try to negotiate their favorite story endings.

ADMISSION: General \$8; Group rates available.



Summer Theater Camps

Workshop I: **Theatre Camp for Little People** June 25 to July 13 (No class July 4) 10:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

COST: \$420 This workshop is open to approximately 25 students entering kindergarten through third grades. It is designed to introduce young people to theatre. Students will experience every aspect of play-acting from mind pictures to performing. All activities will offer a variety of challenges to accommodate the range of abilities among the students. A showcase performance will be performed on July 13th.

Workshop II: Introduction to Theatre

June 25 to July 13 (No class July 4) 10:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. COST: \$420

The workshop is designed for fourth and fifth grade students who would like to introduce themselves to the stage. The participants will work on various acting skills by using improvisations, stage games, stage crafts and a short play script to produce a 30-minute production. The showcase will be performed for parents and friends on July 13th.

For more information and / or a workshop brochure, please contact the Neumann University Office of Cultural Programming by calling 610-558-5626. Also, visit us on the web at www.neumann.edu/arts.

Workshop III: Showcase Workshop

June 25 to July 21 (No class July 4) 10:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. (plus two possible evening rehearsals) COST: \$525

This workshop is open to approximately 40 students entering sixth through ninth grades. Each session is devoted to developing various theatrical skills. A culminating theatre production (Junie B. Jones, Jr.) will be produced and performed for parents, friends, and community members. Performances will be held in the Fred P. Meagher Theatre on July 19, 20, and 21. Tickets will be available through the Office of Cultural Programming in the Bruder Life Center. Call 610-558-5626 for reservations.

Workshop IV: High School Ensemble

July 2 to July 28 (No class July 4) 1:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. (plus two possible evening rehearsals) **COST: \$220**

This workshop is open to approximately 20 students entering ninth grade through young adult. The class will encourage cooperative learning while concentrating on storytelling and performing. The students will produce Into The Woods, Jr. Performances will be held in the Fred P. Meagher Theatre on July 26, 27, and 28. Tickets are available at 610-558-5626.

Ticket Order Form

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	Children/Students/Senior Citizens	\$12		
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	3. Send order form, check and self-addressed 2018 Summer Festival Theatre Neumann University One Neumann Drive Aston, PA 19014-1298	envelope to:		

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Name:		
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SHOW	TIME AND DATE (plea	se circle date)	NO. OF TICKETS	SUBTOTAL
Annie	8:00 p.m. Augus	st 16,17,18	_ @ \$15 (gen) _ @ \$12 (st/child/sr)	
	2:00 p.m. Augu	ct 10	_ @ \$15 (gen) _ @ \$12 (st/child/sr)	
The Commedia Rapunzel	7:30 p.m. July 1 11:00 a.m. July 1		@ \$8 (gen) @ \$8 (gen)	\$ \$
Junie B. Jones, Ji	7:30 p.m. July 1 11:00 a.m. July 2	-	@ \$8 (gen) @ \$8 (gen)	\$ \$
Into The Woods,	7:30 p.m. July 2 Jr. 11:00 a.m. July 2	-	@ \$8 (gen) @ \$8 (gen)	\$ \$

TOTAL \$_____