## **Experience Our Youth Theatre Apprenticeship Program**



Odyssey Theatre is looking for up to 15 bright, enthusiastic, and motivated secondary school students who have a passion for the arts and would like to participate in our Youth Theatre Apprenticeship Program.

For one or two months during the summer, depending on apprenticeship position, you will train and work alongside theatre professionals.

Participants will focus on one of five exciting areas of specialization, receiving mentorship and on-the-job training. There is no better way to learn!

We will work with you to design a personal learning plan based on your interests and help you define achievable goals for the summer.

If you want to go on to a post-secondary theatre program, or develop valuable skills for a future career in the arts, our Apprenticeship Program is a great introduction to all that the theatre world has to offer!

### Five Fantastic Areas of Specialization:

**Performance** – Learn the techniques of Commedia dell'Arte and gain real stage experience through walk on roles and performance opportunities.

**Directing** – Learn directing techniques and assist our professional director throughout the rehearsal process.

**Stage Management** – Learn effective stage management skills through responsibilities for props, masks, communications, equipment, set up and strike.

Administration – Learn about marketing, fundraising, public relations and other administrative strategies that keep the theatre thriving.

**Front of House** – Learn about the excitment of ticket sales, ushering, running concession stands, and managing our silent auction fundraiser.



#### You Will Receive:

- Professional training and mentorship in a supportive environment, preparing you for future study or employment.
- Guidance based on professional experience during our Career Development Seminar.



- An opportunity to participate in a Masked Performance and Commedia dell'Arte workshop led by an experienced mask instructor.
- A letter of reference, upon request, and an impressive addition to your resume.
- Transferable life skills such as increased confidence, reliability and professionalism.



- Free tickets to our summer mainstage production.
- An opportunity to complete 40 hours of volunteer work you need for school in a fun and creative way. (Please note the total commitment of the apprenticeship will be 150-300 hours.)

# Who is Odyssey Theatre?

Odyssey Theatre is Ottawa's premiere open-air theatre company. Our plays are noted for imaginative use of masks, fusion of art forms and cultures, and innovative staging. Offered every summer in Ottawa's historic Strathcona Park on the banks of the Rideau River, five minutes from downtown, our Theatre under the Stars provides a charming natural setting that attracts a broad audience from across the national capital region and tourists seeking unique entertainment.

We are committed to producing original Canadian plays and significant adaptations of plays from the international repertoire. We make important contributions to the artistic landscape of our community by investing in young artists, developing new Canadian talent and creating challenging and enriching theatre experiences for our audiences.

"Odyssey Theatre is one of the most innovative, invigorating, and consistently intelligent theatre companies in Canada..." (Tom McSorley, CBC Radio).



Bring this Coupon to the box office on Sundays between July 25 - August 25 at 8 pm, to receive our half price student discount! Get your tickets for \$8 rather then the original ticket price of \$19! Contact us for more information:

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<u>**TO APPLY</u>** visit our Youth Programs Page on our website and fill out an application form, then email it to us at info@odysseytheatre.ca</u>

Application deadline: **May 22nd, 2013** Interviews and Auditions: **May 29th, 2013** from 4:30pm onwards.

Check out our YouTube video made by youth apprentices for youth apprentices. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mXChBeobJLM

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## Spend your summer with a professional theatre company!

Odyssey Theatre offers you an amazing theatre experience with professional artists and technicians.