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# Newsletter

*Proudly producing quality educational theatre for Tulare County students grades 1-12 for over 20 years!*

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To learn more about us, visit [tcoe.org/theatreco](http://tcoe.org/theatreco)



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## Letter to Our Community-

Hello all! To those of you who are new here, welcome! We are so glad you have joined us! For those families and students who have been with us for awhile, thank you for continuing to support the Theatre Company! I wanted to take a moment to address some things and hopefully answer some questions you might have. I would like to apologize that this letter wasn't written months ago.

First, the rumor that we are no longer having any fall, spring, or summer shows is absolutely not correct. We will still be having fall and summer shows. We have moved the spring show and replaced it with classes and workshops in various locations around the county so that more students can participate, get excited about live performances, and build their skills. For a look at those classes and workshops please visit our website at [www.tcoe.org/theatreco](http://www.tcoe.org/theatreco).

More students needed access to our full-time teaching staff...hence the addition of classes and day workshops on the weekends in Lindsay, Exeter, and Zoom available courses. We also continue to look for opportunities in the North Valley. As staff, we are VERY excited about these new opportunities and how we can better reach more students who can't necessarily make it into our Visalia locations. Since we felt the best time to offer these courses was during the spring, we needed to say goodbye to the spring show.

This is a learning experience for us, as we chart new waters and try new things. So, if things aren't working for you, please let me know. If you had wished we had a class in "this" area instead of "that", let me know. I do want to continue to hear from you.

The pandemic has been a two-year challenge, but we are doing well with bouncing back! I am very lucky that I have an amazing staff who knows how to work within limits when needed. But, we will be maneuvering forward in some different ways. One of those ways is the very real possibility of not being in LJ Williams again for either our fall or summer shows. This is something we are actively working on. We have wonderful friends over at LJ and I am in discussions with them often about the future. I am also looking into other venues and have a list I am pursuing. So, I am asking you to please keep an open mind.

Finally, we are thriving and growing. We are still offering students quality educational theatre. It might look a little different than it has in the past...but we are still here. In fact, I feel we are expanding student's education... so I ask that you stick it out with us. As I mentioned I always value your feedback. If you need anything, my door is always open. Or you can email me, [bethany.rader@tcoe.org](mailto:bethany.rader@tcoe.org).

I would also like to add now more than ever we need for you to get involved with our boosters or volunteer. You can find ways to do that on our website. And check out the new look and all the new info while you are there! [www.tcoe.org/theatreco](http://www.tcoe.org/theatreco).

As always, our continued hope is to inspire your students!

*"I regard the theatre as the greatest of all art forms, the most immediate way in which a human being can share with another the sense of what it is to be a human being."*

*-Thornton Wilder*

~XOXO,  
Bethany



# Calling All Helping Hands!!

In preparation for our touring musical OnStage program, and our upcoming summer camp and musical, we need all hands on deck to help organize our costume storage units.

**When:** Thursday, March 24 @ 4pm

**Where:** TCOE Doe Ave. sea train area  
at the northwest corner of the parking lot

Sign up at [tcoe.org/theatreco/callboard](http://tcoe.org/theatreco/callboard)  
to let us know your helping hands will be there.



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## **Master Your Audition Workshop**

**In their own reserved half-hour time slot, participants will go through a musical theatre audition and receive feedback from TCOE Directors that they would never get in an actual audition.**

**Students will prepare the following ahead of time:**

- a 60 second audition cut of a musical or Disney song**
- a 60 second monologue of their choice**
- a dance combination provided by video link ahead of time**

**The audition panel will observe and provide suggestions for improvement that will allow the students to grow and capitalize on their strengths. Students can use this as an opportunity to practice their audition materials and skills before attending an actual audition.**

**Coming to Exeter on Saturday, March 26, 2022**



**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND LOCATION, VISIT OUR WEBSITE  
AT [TCOE.ORG/THEATRECO](http://TCOE.ORG/THEATRECO)**





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## The Dos and Don'ts of Auditioning Workshop

To begin this full-day workshop, our directors will cover how to prepare and what to expect on the day of an audition.

- Students will learn acting tips, including the differences between monologues and audition sides, how to prepare for cold reads, and how to pick the best monologue for you and your audition.
- Vocal tips include how to pick an audition song that shows off your best vocal abilities, how to work with an accompanist, what music materials to bring and how to best perform your song selection.
- Dance tips include personal presentation, studio etiquette and unspoken rules, technical focus points for maximum effectiveness, and easy ways to “put your best foot forward.”

Finally, students will be instructed in the three areas of a musical theatre audition—learning a monologue, an audition song and dance combination.

The workshop will conclude with a full mock audition for the group!

**Coming to Exeter on Saturday, April 23, 2022**  
**- Grades 5-12: 10:00am - 5:00pm**  
**(including one-hour lunch break)**

# AUDITIONS

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# BROADWAY BOOTCAMP STAGED READING

A brand new experience for TCOE Theatre Company!

Students will participate in a staged reading of the classic comedy play *The Curious Savage* by John Patrick.

Offered for two weeks with meetings two to three days per week from May 9 - May 21, 2022 (more info to come\*).

Performance on Saturday May 21, 2022.

- Grades 9-12: 4:30 - 6:00pm

Location: TCOE's Doe Ave. campus in various rooms TBA

*\*Rehearsal times can be negotiated in advance to work with participant schedules.*

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## OnStage

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## Summer Camp 2022

When: June 6-24 (Monday-Friday) evening performance June 24, 2022

Time: 9am-11am

Where: TCOE Doe Ave. Complex

Who: Students entering 1st through 6th grade

Cost: \$100 (scholarships available)

For more information visit the Callboard at [tcoe.org/theatreco](http://tcoe.org/theatreco) or email [bethany.rader@tcoe.org](mailto:bethany.rader@tcoe.org)

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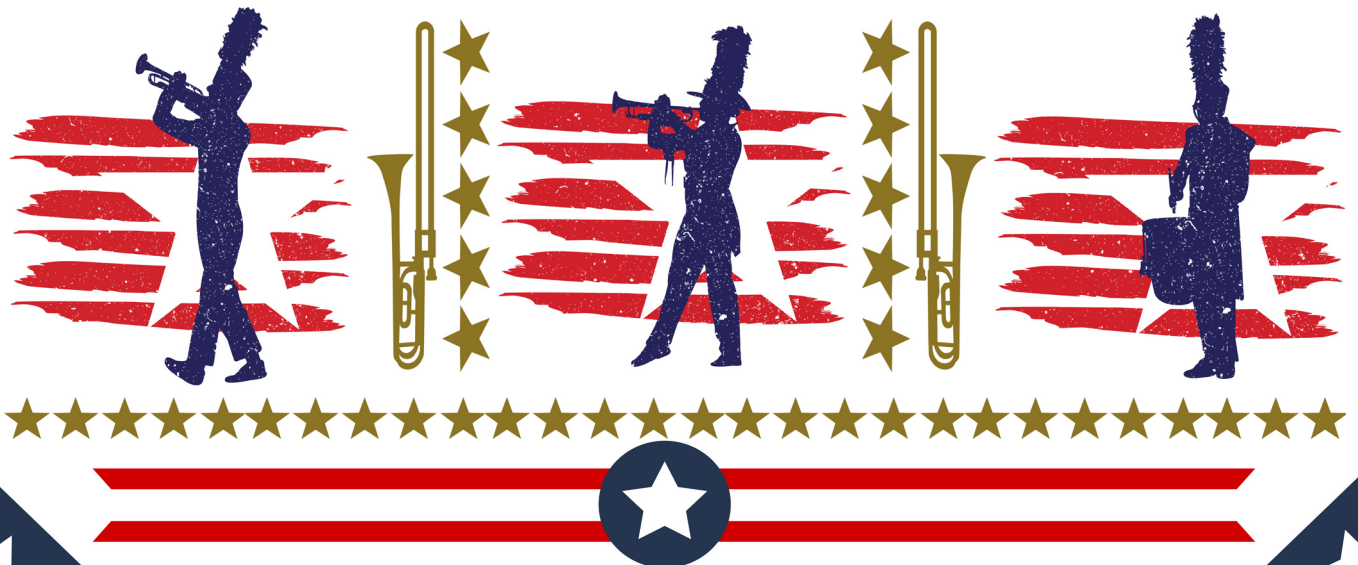
*Meredith Wilson's*

# THE MUSIC MAN SUMMER 2022

Video auditions may be submitted April 25  
through May 8, 2022.

In person callbacks by invitation only Saturday, May 14, 2022.

To learn more about our Summer 2022 programs and auditions,  
visit the Callboard on our website at [tcoe.org/theatreco](https://tcoe.org/theatreco).







## **Tulare County Theatre Boosters Scholarship Opportunity for High School Seniors**

The Tulare County Theatre Boosters are very pleased to offer a scholarship opportunity for graduating seniors who have participated in our productions!

We currently have two scholarships available in the amount of \$250 each. This is a one-time award and is designated for a TCOE Theatre Company student who plans to pursue a college education.

### **Criteria:**

- 1 -The applicant must have participated in Tulare County Office of Education Theatre Company productions.
- 2 -The applicant must graduate with an overall GPA of 3.00 or greater from a Tulare County high school.

*You will be required to upload a copy of your current transcript in this form.*

- 3 - The applicant must be accepted into an eligible college/university for fall 2022 and must plan to pursue that higher education.

Please use this link/QR code to complete the application and short essay:

<https://forms.gle/pWMR7rjFtcoaJQXu5>



***Deadline to submit application is May 1, 2022.***

Recipients will be notified by May 31, 2022.

If you have any questions, please contact us via email  
at [tularectheatreboosters@gmail.com](mailto:tularectheatreboosters@gmail.com).

**Congratulations to all our 2022 graduates!!**