



2017 American • China Summer Academy

For The Visual, Performing
and Technical Arts

Celebrating 21 Years !!!

Held at Grace Academy in Historic Leiper's Fork

Hosting Students From China

July 17th - 21st

One Outrageous And Exciting Week

Of Visual, Performing & Technical Arts

Acting for Stage & Theatre • Acting for Film & TV • African Drumming
All Star Rock Band • Art Adventures • Drawing & Painting
Concert Production • Hip Hop Dance • Digital Photography
Guitar • Jazz Band • Keyboards • Improv Acting • Photography
Singing • Songwriting • Video Journalism • Wearable & Textile Art • Web Design

And Lots More !

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For Ages 7 to 18

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This is a special session of the Kids On Stage Summer Academy being held at Grace Academy in Historic Leiper's Fork. We are calling it "The Kids On Stage American China Summer Academy". This is the fifth year we've done this and it's an awesome international music and arts experience!

We will be hosting 50 students, ages 12 to 18, from all over China. Gene Cotton, Kids On Stage Summer Academy Director, has been working with Li Weaver, who works

with the state in economic development and programming with China, to organize this very exciting event.

This has been such an amazing experience for the past four years. There are countless stories of students from Tennessee bonding with Chinese students with lifelong friendships. If you missed it last year, you missed a lot. There were incredible performances during the week that culminated with the Music & Arts Festival.

The unique thing about this special Academy is we are pairing up the Chinese students with host families here in the Williamson County area who will have at least one child attending the Academy. A Chinese student will be placed in a host family with a child who

is the same age and gender. You do not have to host a Chinese student to attend this special Academy, but we think it will be an experience of a lifetime if you do.

This special Summer Academy will be limited to 250 students. A hot lunch will be served everyday.

We are anticipating having photos and general information about each student to share with the host family. This is going to be the most AWESOME Summer Academy we have ever had, so don't wait to get your application in the mail. Do it today! If you have any questions or need more information, or you are interested in being a "host family", please call KOS Academy Director, Gene Cotton at (615) 599-5437 or on his cell at (615) 804-0153.



The mission of the Kids On Stage Summer Academy is to provide world-class experiences in the visual, performing and technical arts that, through process, performance, and production, empower students to be self-disciplined, lifelong learners.

2017 Class Offerings

Acting I & II: This class provides a review of acting essentials, while going deeper into character study and motivation. This is a great class for actors who want to delve into how to create a memorable character and connect with an audience. (Acting I: Ages 7-10) (Acting II: Ages 11-18)

Advanced Songwriting: Working with top industry pro songwriters, students will co-write in small groups. Songs will be performed at the Music and Arts Festival at the end of the week. Limited to 20 students, this class fills up quickly. (Ages 11-17)

African Drumming I & II: In this class, students will learn to understand the principles and techniques of performing African drum music and working with multi-part rhythms. Taught by highly energetic and entertaining instructors, this class is a long-standing favorite at Summer Academy. The performances are among the highlights of the Music and Arts Festival, involving audience participation and even an occasional conga line. (AD I: Ages 7-10) (AD II: Ages 11-18)



Michael McDonald working with songwriters

All Star Band: All Star Band members work with top industry musicians and producers to form bands, learn songs, and work as a musical team, preparing for the grand finale of Summer Academy – the Music & Arts Festival, on Friday night. Integrating unbelievable special-effects lighting, state of the art sound, and video, the concert is a mind-blowing experience for young musicians. Students are chosen through live or submitted CD, mp3 file, DVD, or Youtube auditions. Bands are placed according to age, skill level, and preferred musical style. (Ages 11-18)



Art Adventures: The KOS art faculty counts among its members some of the most accomplished, award-winning teaching artists in the Southeast. This class, geared especially toward young artists, uses several different media, techniques and processes, in a revolving 4-year curriculum, so ages 7-10 can take it every year and create completely different pieces each summer. Taught in a nurturing, non-competitive atmosphere. (Ages 7-10)

Beginning Songwriting: An excellent introduction to songwriting for younger writers, this class introduces students to song form, rhyme, and the creative co-writing process. The entire class works together with a pro Nashville songwriter to create a unique song. Each student will receive a CD of their class's song. (Ages 7-10)

Concert Production & Tech Support: Want to put your hands on \$2.5 million dollars worth of gear! Concert lighting, sound, and video are the focus of this double-period class, in which students learn from the masters of modern concert production, who set aside a week each year to train the next generation in production skills. With an emphasis on safety and proper procedures, students work hands-on with state of the art special-effects lighting, sound, and video equipment. Designed for mature, focused students. (Note: Students MUST be available Friday night, as Concert Production students run lights, sound and video for the Music and Arts Festival). (Ages 11-18)



Dance Hip Hop I & II: This class focuses on fun, while helping students gain strength and flexibility, stamina and grace. Classes concentrate primarily on classic and modern hip hop dance moves, elements of basic ballet, jazz, and modern dance are also incorporated into 2 minute routines that will be performed at the Music & Arts Festival. Age-appropriate moves and music will be used. (Hip Hop I: Ages 7-10) (Hip Hop II: Ages 11-18)



Digital Photography: Focusing on equal parts process and creativity, students learn photo lighting, composition, shooting and editing. Taking field trips to photograph the beautiful landscape around Grace Academy, students develop an eye for the difference between a good snapshot and a great photo. Cameras will be provided. Students will need to purchase an inexpensive portable thumb drive to save their photos (available at Summer Academy) (Ages 11-18)

will move into various painting techniques and, in the process, create highly original and personal artwork. (Ages 11-18)

Drawing/Painting: In this class, middle and high school students will study linear perspective, the development of pictorial space, and basic composition. Beginning with drawing, students

Guitar I & II & III: With four guitar instructors, students are able to work within a small group specifically designed to meet them at their skill level. Guitar I focuses on basic guitar concepts, rhythms and chord progressions. Guitar II explores several musical styles, including Blues, Rock and even Jazz licks and advanced chording. Guitar I is for beginning to young intermediate players, while Guitar II is for more advanced players. Guitar III is for the very advanced players and will focus on sophisticated and complex guitar riffs and playing. (All Ages)

Improv Acting I & II: Using improv games and techniques created by such renowned companies as Second City, Comedy Sportz and The Groundlings, students will learn how to think quickly, be funny, and gain confidence both on stage and in everyday social situations. Improv is a great foundation for any kind of stage performance; an exercise in extreme fun! (Improv Acting I: Ages 7-10) (Improv Acting II: Ages 11-18)

Jazz Band: For intermediate and advanced musicians only, the KOS Jazz Band is a great chance to work with a pro jazz player and producer on classic and contemporary jazz pieces. Students must be able to read music to be in this class. Guitar, bass, keyboard, drums, horns and other instruments are welcomed. Vocalists will be accepted by audition with the Jazz Band director. Students must be available for the Friday night Music & Arts Festival. (Ages 11-18)



Keyboard I: Learn the basics of playing and reading music, including note names and values, basic chords and scales, ear training, theory, and right hand melodies. This is a fun and challenging class for beginners and young intermediate players. (All Ages)

Keyboard II (Intermediate/Advanced): This class, for students who can already read music well, focuses on common chord progressions used in Blues, Rock and Pop music. Students will learn to read basic chord charts with letters and the Nashville Numbers System, and learn the techniques of accompanying and playing in bands. (All Ages)



Mosaic Mischief: Unlock the ancient mysteries of tile and grout, and join us in making Mosaic Mischief! It doesn't matter if you are a beginner or more advanced; in this class you'll learn and experience the techniques, terminology and tools to effectively break things and put them back together in a whole new way. The class will make solo and group projects. (Ages 11-18)

Paint The Sky Green: Watercolor outside the box. This class will explore watercolor painting and free expression. Who says you can't paint the sky green? This class will focus on creative expression within the elements of watercolor painting, and encourage creative articulation. (Ages 11-18)

Photographic Art • Black & White, Hand Tinting I & II: These immensely popular classes, taught by a nationally-recognized photographer and artist, explore art within the photograph. Students will learn composition and the techniques of natural light used for the portrait and the landscape. Black and white photographs will be transformed into hand painted pieces of art. The resulting works are truly stunning. (Photo I Ages 7-10) (Photo II Ages 11-18)

Sculpture: An in-depth exploration of three-dimensional techniques, such as casting, carving, modeling and construction, using a wide range of materials to create unique examples of artistic personal expression. Students will create a variety of projects through traditional and contemporary processes. (Ages 11-18)



Theatre Make-Up: This class was such a huge success when it was first introduced, that kids wanted to switch from another class once they saw what was going on. This incredibly fun class brings together major aspects of a variety of transformative techniques, from basic stage makeup to special-effects makeup. Taught by the artist who transformed Taylor Swift into a Vulcan for her CMA awards show video, this class is already a favorite at KOS! (Ages 11-18)

Violin I: Using the beginning Suzuki method, this class, geared for younger students, is full of fun and musical adventure, as students learn to play several songs, from “Twinkle Twinkle” to an accompaniment to the theme from “Star Wars” all in one week! Violins are provided. (Ages 7-10)

Violin II: This class is for intermediate to advanced players, and will focus on a high level of violin technique. Students develop bow technique, left hand technique, tonal-pitch relationship, and rhythmic understanding through a variety of methods. Students will work on the following repertoire and exercises within the week: one movement to a concerto, etudes, scales, and a variety of left hand exercises. Additionally, the group setting allows students to share their musical studies with fellow violinist, thus creating a healthy and positive learning environment. Violins are provided, but the student is encouraged to bring their own if they have one. (Ages 11-18)

VJ: Video Journalist: This course is designed to give the student the ability to communicate in the Video Age—whether for television or the web. We call it storytelling to emphasize the communication of ideas, rather than simply the technical knowledge of shooting and editing video. Students will begin by learning how shots work together, how to write compelling scripts, and how to use audio for best effect. Then students will work with professional camera equipment to develop shooting, lighting, and audio skills to document the week at the Kids On Stage Summer Academy. (Ages 11-18)



Vocal Performance I & II: Maury and Raquel Kelley, owners of Franklin Brentwood Arts Academy in Franklin, have set the standard for Vocal Performance. Training hundreds of kids, ages 6 through 18 over the past several years, they have developed a curriculum of vocal technique and performance skills for both solo and group performers that is unmatched in the industry. We are proud to welcome them back to Summer Academy to work with student groups in lead and harmony vocals, stage movement, performance etiquette, and professional behavior. Students will learn vocalization techniques, breathing, and pitch control, all culminating in a highly entertaining performance at the Friday night Music and Arts Festival. (Vocal Performance I Ages 7-10 and Vocal Performance II Ages 11-17)

Wearable & Textile Art I & II: This highly creative class integrates diverse techniques from tie-dyeing to printing on fabric, resist dying, surface design, soft construction, and basic stitch work. Through various techniques, students will create fiber-based forms and wearable art. (Wearable Art I Ages 7-10) (Wearable Art II Ages 11-18)

Web Design I & II: Covering the basics of Website design and creation, students will learn to access the wealth of creative resources available via the Internet. Web Design I will cover basic Website Design, while Web Design II will continue into upper-level skills of Website design, image animation, and Web media. Emphasis on quality web design and multimedia integration, as well as emerging technologies. This is a fun and engaging class, with virtually endless creative possibilities. Internet safety and the importance of adult supervision are stressed, and students' Websites are not made available to the wider Internet, but accessed through a special web protocol. (Web Design I Ages 9-12) (Web Design II Ages 13-18)

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and leave your name & number.

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Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What time do I need to be at the school?

A. You need to be seated in the auditorium by 8:30am. We recommend dropping your child off by 8:20am.

Q. Do you serve lunch at the school?

A. Yes. There will be a hot lunch served every day and is included with Academy fee. Water and snacks may be purchased during lunch.

Q: Do I really have to choose four alternative classes?

A: Yes. We make every effort to give students their first choices. However, some classes are extremely popular and fill very quickly. If you have chosen a class that is completely full, we will try to assign your first alternate, then move down the list of alternates as necessary.

Q: When will I be notified if I have been accepted into the Academy?

A: You will receive a notice within two weeks of our receiving your application. Your schedule will be sent by mail and will arrive between June 20th and June 30th, if not before.

Q: What is the Friday Night Music and Arts Festival?

A: The Festival is the culmination of all the students' hard work during the week. Hallways become Art Galleries. It is a time of celebration, wonderful art, theater, music, dance and technical displays. Performances start at 6:30 pm and will conclude at 9:00 pm. This is an AWESOME experience that you won't want to miss! Food trucks will be available starting at 5:00pm *Everyone is required to be there.*

Q. Is there bus service??

A. There is no bus service, but we encourage car-pooling.

Q: What is your refund policy?

A: You may withdraw from the Academy up until June 15th and receive a full refund. After June 15th your refund is whatever you've paid, minus the \$100.00 deposit. If your withdrawal is due to a medical or other emergency, a full refund will be given, once documentation is provided. No refunds will be given for missed days or if a child is asked to leave Summer Academy for disciplinary reasons. Refunds will be mailed one week after request is submitted.

Q: Can I volunteer?

A: Yes! Volunteers are the lifeblood of the Summer Academy, and a multitude of volunteer opportunities are available. Our volunteer teams form friendships that last long after the last performance has ended and the last chair stacked. Call Kids On Stage at 599-KIDS (5437)

Application Form

Student Information

Please Print Clearly (Do not use cursive) Date Of Birth: Month ___ Day ___ Year ___
Student's Name _____ Male Female
Home Phone (____) _____ Cell Number (____) _____
Street Address _____
City _____ State ___ Zip _____
Student's Email Address _____
School _____ Grade Next Fall _____
 I have previously attended Kids On Stage Summer Academy.

Parental Information

Please Print Clearly and completely fill out form (Do not use cursive, and do not use "same as above", please fill out all info)

Parents' Name(s) _____
Street Address _____
City _____ State ___ Zip _____
Home Phone (____) _____ Work Phone (____) _____
Mother's Cell Phone (____) _____ Father's Cell (____) _____
Mother's Email Address _____
Father's Email Address _____
 YES, we want to be a host Family. NO, we are unable to host.
 I am requesting financial aid and attaching a letter that explains the circumstances. (All requests are kept confidential)
Parent's signature _____
Date _____

By signing above, you are giving your child permission to attend Kids On Stage Summer Academy, permission to go on any field trips associated with a class, and you agree to assume all risks and liabilities of any accident that may occur during the Summer Academy. You further agree to give Kids On Stage Summer Academy the right to use any photograph or video taken of your child for promotional purposes of the program.

Please select t-shirt size below.

T-Shirt Size Child Sm Med Lg Adult Sm Med Lg XLg XXLg

Send All Application Materials To: Kids On Stage • PO Box 446 • Franklin, TN 37065
(Do NOT send applications to school. Only applications sent to PO Box are considered)
If you have any questions, please feel free to call Gene Cotton, Academy Director at
(615) 599-KIDS (5437) or his cell at (615) 804-0153

Application Check List

1. Fill out application form.
2. Fill in the classes you wish to attend on the Class Schedule. **Do not forget to include 4 alternative choices.**
3. If you are applying for All Star Band or Jazz Band, you must complete that form. If you have previously been in All Star Band or Jazz Band, you do **NOT** need to submit a performance tape, mp3, or CD, but you **must complete and return the form.**
4. Return all application materials ASAP along with a **check or money order for \$100.00 deposit or by credit card.** This deposit is a part of the \$275.00 tuition. Make checks payable to **Kids On Stage.**

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Tuition

\$275.00 per Week

\$100 non-refundable deposit (part of \$275.00)

\$50 discount for multiple siblings

We accept checks or debit/credit cards.

Please make checks payable to Kids On Stage.

If you are paying by credit/debit card, return this form with application

If paying by credit card, please mark one Visa Master Card

Other Card (Name) _____

Card Number _____

Expiration Date (MM/YY) ____/____

3 Digit Security Code ____ (On back of card)

Card Holder Name _____ (As it appears on card)

Billing Address (If different from address on application)

Street _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Amount Paying \$ _____ Date _____

Signature _____

Online registration and payment is coming soon.



Class Schedule

Please Print Clearly (Do not use cursive) Fill out the schedule below with your choice of classes. Remember, some classes are double periods. Make sure that the class you choose for each period is the right class for your age.

Student's Name _____

July 17th - July 21st

1st Period _____

2nd Period _____

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3rd Period _____

4th Period _____

Please List 4 Alternative Choices

(Must be different than first choices above. These alternative choices are to let us know that if one of your first choices that you have listed above is not available because it is full, then we will start with your first choice below. If that class is full, then we will go to number 2, etc.)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Very Important Please Read

When filling out your "Class Schedule", pick 4 different classes you would like to take. If you choose one of the double period classes, you would only pick 3 classes. If you pick two of the double period classes, you would only choose 2 classes.

Music and Arts Festival

Kids On Stage Music and Arts Festival will be held on Friday, night. Art gallery exhibitions and performances are held throughout the evening, from 6:30pm to 9:00pm. Food trucks will be available from 5:00pm. We encourage families to come and eat dinner with our Chinese friends.



Tuition is \$275.00. **There is a \$100.00 deposit that must be sent in with the application.** This deposit is part of the \$275.00.

American/China Summer Academy All Star Band/Jazz Band Form



(Please print clearly)

Student's Name _____

I am applying for: All Star Band Jazz Band Both

Major Instrument _____

(If you do not play an instrument and are applying as a singer, put "Voice" as your instrument)

Skill Level: Beginner Intermediate Advanced

Other Instrument(s) _____

Skill Level: Beginner Intermediate Advanced

Please indicate your Top 4 musical styles in order of preference:

- | | |
|------------------|----------------|
| ___ Current Rock | ___ Jazz |
| ___ Classic Rock | ___ Pop |
| ___ Alternative | ___ Bluegrass |
| ___ Blues | ___ Country |
| ___ Heavy Metal | ___ Acoustic |
| ___ Punk | ___ Vocal Band |



Robin Crow, nationally known artist plays for the Academy

I would like to be considered for a lead singer position (bands may have more than one lead singer).

Important Info

- All Star Band is limited to four bands. Musicians are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis, after successful, CD, or mp3 audition. Include your CD or mp3 audition disc with your application. YouTube videos are also accepted, just include the link. If you have previously been in All Star Band or Jazz Band, you do not have to send an audition media, but you must fill out this form. **Do not wait to apply!**
- Students will be placed in bands according to age, ability, and musical style preference. Bands may request to be kept together, although additional band members may be added for Summer Academy.
- Band members are required to bring everything they'll need for practice and performance (instruments, cables, amps, drums, drum sticks, etc.) Please label everything clearly with student's name.
- All Star & Jazz Band members will load-in instruments on **Sunday, July 16th between 3-6 pm**. Follow the signs to the load-in entrance, and you will be taken to your band rehearsal room.

If you have any questions, please email Kids On Stage Academy Director, Gene Cotton at info@kidsonstagen.com or call him at (615) 599-KIDS (5437) or his cell at (615) 804-0153.

Send All Application Materials to: Kids On Stage • PO Box 446 • Franklin, TN 37065



American/China Summer Academy Health Form

Student's Name _____

Please have your parent(s) complete this medical form and return it with your application as soon as possible. If you have already paid your tuition or you are on scholarship, you still need to return this form. No student will be admitted to the Summer Academy without this form.

Parent(s) Name: _____

In the history of the program we have never had any medical problems or emergencies. Your child's well-being and safety are of the utmost concern to us and should an emergency arise, we want to be equipped to meet his or her needs. We have a full-time Staff Registered Nurse on duty throughout the Academy.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to call me any time.

Sincerely,

Gene Cotton
Academy Director
599-KIDS (5437)

Your Doctor's Name: _____

Your Doctor's Phone Number: _____

Are there any special medications or medical conditions that we need to be aware of? Yes__No__

If "Yes", please list _____

In the unlikely event of an emergency, Williamson Medical Center is the closest hospital where you would be transported, unless you specify another one below.

Hospital: Williamson Medical _____ Other (Please specify) _____

Parent's Daytime (or Work) Phone Number: _____

Other Daytime Number(s)? _____

Parent Signature: _____

Please return this Health Form with application to: Kids On Stage • PO Box 446 • Franklin, TN 37065

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Periods One & Two • 9:00 - 11:40 (Double Period Classes)

Concert Production & Tech Support	Ages 11-18
Jazz Band	Ages 11-18
Sculpture	Ages 11-18
Advanced Songwriting	Ages 11-18

Period One • 9:00 - 10:20

Acting I	Ages 7-10
African Drumming II	Ages 11-18
Art Adventures	Ages 7-10
Beginning Songwriting	Ages 7-10
Dance Hip Hop I	Ages 7-10
Digital Photography	Ages 11-18
Drawing & Painting	Ages 11-18
Guitar I (Beginning)	All Ages
Guitar II (Intermediate)	All Ages
Guitar III (Advanced)	All Ages
Improv Acting II	Ages 11-18
Keyboard II	All Ages
Mosaic Mischief	Ages 11-18
Paint The Sky Green	Ages 11-18
Photographic Art B&W Hand Tinting I	Ages 7-10
Theatre Make-Up	Ages 11-18
Violin I	Ages 7-10
VJ Video Journalism	Ages 11-18
Vocal Performance I	Ages 7-10
Wearable & Textile Art II	Ages 11-18
Web Design I	Ages 9-12

Period Two • 10:20 - 11:40

Acting II	Ages 11-18
African Drumming I	Ages 7-10
Art Adventures	Ages 7-10
Beginning Songwriting	Ages 7-10
Dance Hip Hop II	Ages 11-18
Digital Photography	Ages 11-18
Drawing & Painting	Ages 11-18
Guitar I (Beginning)	All Ages
Guitar II (Intermediate)	All Ages
Guitar III (Advanced)	All Ages
Improv Acting I	Ages 7-10
Keyboard I	All Ages
Mosaic Mischief	Ages 11-18
Paint The Sky Green	Ages 11-18
Photographic Art B&W Hand Tinting II	Ages 11-18

Theatre Make-Up	Ages 11-18
Violin II	Ages 11-17
VJ Video Journalism	Ages 11-18
Vocal Performance II	Ages 11-17
Wearable & Textile Art I	Ages 7-10
Web Design II	Ages 13-18

Periods Three & Four 12:40 - 3:20 (Double Period Classes)

All Star Band	Ages 11-18
Concert Production & Tech Support	Ages 11-18
Sculpture	Ages 11-18

Period Three • 12:40 - 2:00

Acting II	Ages 11-18
African Drumming II	Ages 11-18
Art Adventures	Ages 7-10
Beginning Songwriting	Ages 7-10
Dance Hip Hop I	Ages 7-10
Digital Photography	Ages 11-18
Drawing & Painting	Ages 11-18
Guitar I (Beginning)	All Ages
Guitar II (Intermediate)	All Ages
Guitar III (Advanced)	All Ages
Improv Acting II	Ages 11-18
Keyboard II	All Ages
Mosaic Mischief	Ages 11-18
Paint The Sky Green	Ages 11-18
Photographic Art B&W Hand Tinting I	Ages 7-10
Theatre Make-Up	Ages 11-18
Violin I	Ages 7-10
VJ Video Journalism	Ages 11-18
Vocal Performance I	Ages 7-10
Wearable & Textile Art II	Ages 11-18
Web Design I	Ages 9-12



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Period Four • 2:00 - 3:20

Acting I	Ages 7-10
African Drumming I	Ages 7-10
Art Adventures	Ages 7-10
Beginning Songwriting	Ages 7-10
Dance Hip Hop II	Ages 11-18
Digital Photography	Ages 11-18
Drawing & Painting	Ages 11-18
Guitar I (Beginning)	All Ages
Guitar II (Intermediate)	All Ages
Guitar III (Advanced)	All Ages
Improv Acting I	Ages 7-10
Keyboard I	All Ages
Mosaic Mischief	Ages 11-18
Paint The Sky Green	Ages 11-18
Photographic Art B&W Hand Tinting II	Ages 11-18
Theatre Make-Up	Ages 11-18
Violin II	Ages 11-17
VJ Video Journalism	Ages 11-18
Vocal Performance II	Ages 11-17
Wearable & Textile Art I	Ages 7-10
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Legendary rock & blues singer Bonnie Bramlett brings down the house



Kimberly Dahme of the rock band "Boston" performs for the Academy



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Rick Vito of Fleetwood Mac fame performs for the Academy



Kids On Stage China Summer Academy General Information

Please Read This Very Important Information



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The Kids On American/China Summer Academy is located at Grace Academy 3279 Southall Rd. in "Historic" Leiper's Fork. Telephone Number: 599-KIDS (5437) The dates are July 17th - July 21st.

The cost for the one-week session is \$275. **There is a \$100.00 registration fee that must be sent in with the application.** This fee is part of the \$275.00. If your child is not accepted, the \$100.00 will be refunded. Make checks payable to **Kids On Stage**. Procedures for payment of balance will be included in the letter of acceptance. See application on page 9 for details as to how to apply.

All applications will be reviewed by the Kids On Stage Advisory Board Selection Committee. The Academy is for students age 7 to 18. Applicants will be notified of their acceptance into the Summer Academy within two weeks of receipt of application. Class sizes are limited and applications will be processed on a "first come first served" basis. We anticipate a full session, so get your application in as soon as possible.

The Summer Academy convenes each day at 8:30am with a 25 minute assembly in the auditorium. Students must be seated in the auditorium by 8:30am. This does not mean "arrive" at 8:30am, it means be seated in the by 8:30am. You might plan to be there by 8:20am. There will be guest performers each day. The final class each day concludes at 3:20pm. Students need to be picked up at that time.

The KOS China Summer Academy is a full day experience. All applicants must select a 4 period schedule and **MUST** list 4 alternative classes. Some classes are double period classes. Some classes are not offered all 4 periods. Please check class schedule when signing up for classes.

Please check the "Class Description" page before choosing classes. Some classes are double period classes and some classes are only held twice a day.

A hot lunch will be provided everyday. If you have food allergies and would prefer to bring your own lunch, you are free to do so.

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Please be aware that the Kids On Stage American/China Summer Academy runs through Friday, July 21st. The Kids On Stage Music and Arts Festival is held on Friday night, July 21st. Art gallery exhibitions and performances are held throughout the evening from 6:30pm to 9:00pm. Students will be given a schedule of the Friday night performances during the Academy. It is our hope that as many family members, relatives, and friends who can attend will join us for this wonderful event.

The Kids On Stage American/China Summer Academy will rely heavily on our parent volunteer team. If you can volunteer anytime before, during or after the Academy, please call 615-599-KIDS (5437) and leave your name and number.

For additional information contact Academy Director, Gene Cotton at 599-KIDS (5437) or you can email him at info@kidsonstagetn.com, or call him on his cell at (615) 804-0153.

There is a \$50 discount on the tuition for any siblings attending.



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This Special, American/China Summer Academy of Middle Tennessee's acclaimed summer program for the Visual, Performing and Technical Arts is located at Grace Academy in Historic Leiper's Fork. The address is 3279 Southall Road, about halfway between Carter's Creek Pike and Old Hillsboro Road. There will be plenty of signs to direct you.

Since 1996 thousands of kids have come through the Kids On Stage Summer Academy, studying with award-winning instructors, using state-of-the-art sound, lighting and video technology, performing for enthusiastic audiences, and creating lifelong friendships. The spirit and intent of Kids On Stage is simple, yet profound – we help kids develop attitudes and skills that will take them far in the classroom, on the stage, and in life. Each student chooses four classes per day in a variety of artistic disciplines, from jazz and rock band, to photography, art, concert production, acting, web design, video journalism, dance, songwriting, and much more.

Each day begins with a **Morning Assembly**, where students hear performances by both musical legends and up-and-coming artists and songwriters. **Lunchtime Performances** provide students with the opportunity to perform for each other. And the week culminates in a **Music and Arts Festival on Friday night**.

Simply put, KOS American/China Summer Academy is one of the very best experiences a child can have, building teamwork, leadership, respect, and self-esteem, as well as foundational learning in the arts. Our proven track record of both process and performance oriented learning has **produced results** that have turned shy kids into leaders, inspired creativity in young artists, and even taken some kids onto the national stage. Kids On Stage alumni include Miley Cyrus, members of the band Paramore, hit soul singer Ke\$ha, Taylor Ware (America's Got Talent Top Finalist), Jordyn Shellhart (Sony Recording Artist), Jasmine (Disney's "Next Big Thing" winner), and Mackenzie Wasner (American Idol).

Faculty

We are proud to have assembled a faculty team that is second to none among Music and Arts programs in the United States. Kids On Stage instructors are industry pros who work in their chosen fields and set aside time for Summer Academy because they believe in our mission. Faculty members include:

- Grammy and CMA award-winning musicians and producers
- CMA, BMI, ASCAP and SESAC award-winning songwriters
 - A nationally-acclaimed video journalist
 - Nationally-exhibited artists and photographers
- Set, Lighting and Video designers for Taylor Swift's "Fearless" Tour
- Directors of the Southeast's premier Vocal and Performance training facility for kids and teens
- A jazz composer, arranger, conductor and pianist, who has worked with The Count Basie Band, Stan Kenton Band, Maynard Ferguson, Michael Feinstein, Beegie Adair and the Nashville Symphony Orchestra
 - Actors and directors from Nashville Shakespeare Theatre, Nashville Children's Theater, Improv Nashville, and Star Bright Players
- Dedicated art and technology teachers from the Williamson County Schools, one of the highest performing public school systems in the nation, including Hillsboro Elementary/Middle School, the first Arts-Integrated Curriculum school in Tennessee



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Tuition

\$100.00 deposit (part of \$275.00)
\$275.00 for the Week
\$50.00 discount available for siblings

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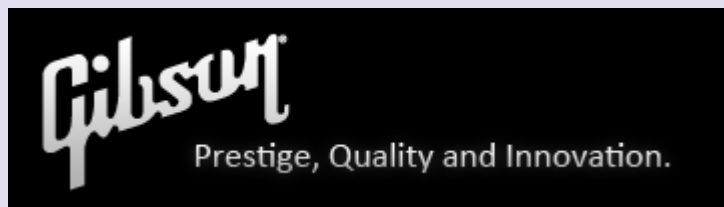


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