



SUMMER 2025

SUMMER CAMPS

SUMMER CAMPS, CLASSES, & LESSONS

Inside you will find all of our summer camp, class, and lesson opportunities for summer 2025. There is something for everyone. Our mission is to provide artistic and musical opportunities for everyone from birth through 95!

Try something new this summer.

Find more information or to register for camps or classes, visit www.sootheatre.org or email education@sootheatre.org



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JUNE 2025

NEURODIVERSE CAMP

Monday - Friday, June 16-20
1:00-2:30pm
Ages 5-10
\$75/\$90/\$100

This camp is geared towards children with special needs. Campers will have the opportunity to work on communication, attention, and movement skills in the capacity of fun and engaging musical activities run by a board certified music therapist. Lots of singing, dancing, moving, and making new friends!

Parents who enroll students in this camp will receive a follow-up email asking questions that will help us to understand your camper better and what will make this camp more successful for them!

Interested in the same sort of camp for your middle or high school student? Email education@sootheatre.org and ask to be put on our interest list!



STRINGS CAMPS

STRINGS CAMP: GAMES & MORE

Monday - Friday, June 9-13
9:30am-12:30pm
\$110/\$115/\$125

Designed for students in their first 1-3 years, this camp is geared towards fun, fun, fun!

Games are used to reinforce and help memorize important concepts in the early stages of string growth. Topics covered include note reading, musical terms & symbols, dynamics, bow holds, steady beat, and rhythm.

BEGINNING VIOLIN CAMP

Monday - Friday, June 9-13
2:00-4:00pm
Ages 8-13
\$75/\$90/\$100

This camp is designed for anyone who wants to learn to play violin and has no prior experience! This intensive camp will have you playing recognizable songs in no time!

Soo Theatre has a limited number of instruments to loan for this camp. If we do not have the correct instrument or size, the family would secure a rental instrument.

Email education@sootheatre.org for rental information.

PIANO CAMPS

BEGINNING PIANO CAMP

Monday - Friday, June 16-20
9:30am-12:00pm
Ages 7-12
\$100/\$115/\$125

This beginning piano camp is designed for students who have never played the piano before but want to learn and get a good foundation. Using games and play, students will learn rhythms, note reading, musical terms and symbols, and will leave camp playing a number of songs that will prepare them for future lessons. A great introduction to music and the piano!

PIANO CAMP

Monday - Friday, June 16-20
1:00-4:00pm
Ages 8 & up
\$115/\$125/\$135

This camp is designed for students who already play the piano, read music, and have some background in piano, but are still in their early stages of learning. This camp will use lots of games and other activities to reinforce musical concepts such as rhythm, tempo, note reading, and musical terms and symbols. Students will also learn to play songs in ensemble together and how to listen to other parts while maintaining focus on their own part.

MUSICAL THEATER CAMPS

3 PIGGY OPERA CAMP

Monday - Friday, June 16 - 20

9:30am-12pm

Performance Friday, June 20, 11:30am

Ages 4-10

\$100/\$115/\$125



Opera for our youngest students! Students will huff, puff, and learn opera terms all while singing great songs and having fun with friends in this classic fairy tale. This is a great experience for a first time theater student!

GOLDIE AND THE BEARS CAMP

Monday - Friday, June 23-27

9:30am-12:00pm

Performance Friday, June 27, 6pm & Saturday, June 28, 12pm

Ages 4-10

\$100/\$115/\$125



Knock, knock, knock! Is anybody home? Goldilocks is a curious girl who must find out! This classic tale, told through story and song, is another great experience for our early theater students!

ARISTOCATS KIDS

Elementary Musical Theater camp

Monday - Friday, June 23-27

10am-3pm

Performances Friday, June 27, 6pm & Saturday, June 28, 12pm

\$135/\$155/\$175

“Everybody wants to be a cat!” Elementary students take the lead in this classic Disney tale. Students will audition during camp, learn their lines and songs, and be ready to sing, dance, and perform by the end of the week!



SUMMER CLASSES

CANTUS CELLI

Tuesdays, 3:30-4:25pm

June 3, 10, 17, 24,

July 1, 8, 15, 22

High School & Adult

\$80/\$95/\$105

Open to all high school and adult cellists that would like to play in an ensemble together. Summer traditionally sports performances at the downtown Farmer's Market and the Rudyard Summerfest.

NEW HORIZONS STRING ORCHESTRA

Tuesdays, 4:30-5:25pm

June 3, 10, 17, 24,

July 1, 8, 15, 22

High School & Adult

\$80/\$95/\$105

Open to all adult string players who want to play in an orchestra ensemble. Summer traditionally sports performances at the downtown Farmer's Market and the Rudyard Summerfest.

JULY 2025

Did you know...?

Students in middle or high school who cannot attend the first week of Honk Jr., may still sign up and attend the second week of camp.

Our 2 week camp is always in need of parents to help with costumes and shows. If you are a parent that knows how to sew or can help with costumes or would be willing to work a show (helping students moving to where they need to be for their next entrance, keeping them quiet backstage, etc), please talk with your camp directors prior to or on the first day of camp.

Soo Theatre is always in need of volunteers for front of house! Popping popcorn, selling tickets, taking tickets, handing out programs, monitoring the lobby or hallway, etc. If you would like to be a volunteer for any of our summer camp shows or our mainstage shows, please email our Front of House Manager, Jennifer Anderson at jenniferanderson@sootheatre.org

MUSICAL THEATER CAMPS

SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL JR. MUSICAL THEATER CAMP

MS/HS Musical Theater Camp - 2 weeks

Monday - Thursday, June 30 - July 3 & Monday - Friday, July 7-11

10am-3pm

Performances Friday, July 11, 6pm & Saturday, July 12, 12pm

\$235/\$255/\$275

All of your favorite Dr. Seuss characters in one! Classic Dr. Seuss put to music! This 2-week camp is designed with our older theater students in mind. Students will audition and get a major musical theater production up in just 2 weeks!

Elementary joins the 2nd week.

SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL JR. ELEMENTARY Musical Theater Camp

Monday - Friday, July 7-11

Performances Friday, July 11, 6pm & Saturday, July 12, 12pm

10am-3pm

\$135/\$155/\$175

All of your favorite Dr. Seuss characters in one! Classic Dr. Seuss put to music! Elementary students join our older students for one week of camp and performances.



ARTS CAMPS

ELEMENTARY ARTS EXPLORATION CAMP

Monday - Friday, July 14-18

10am-3pm

Showcase Friday, July 18 TBA

\$135/\$155/\$175

This camp explores many disciplines with the visual and performing arts. Students will make arts & crafts, work on a short play, hear a string quartet and participate in an “instrument petting zoo,” not to mention playing boom whackers and drums. Exploration is the key to this camp!

ART CAMP: ANIME & FANTASY DRAWING

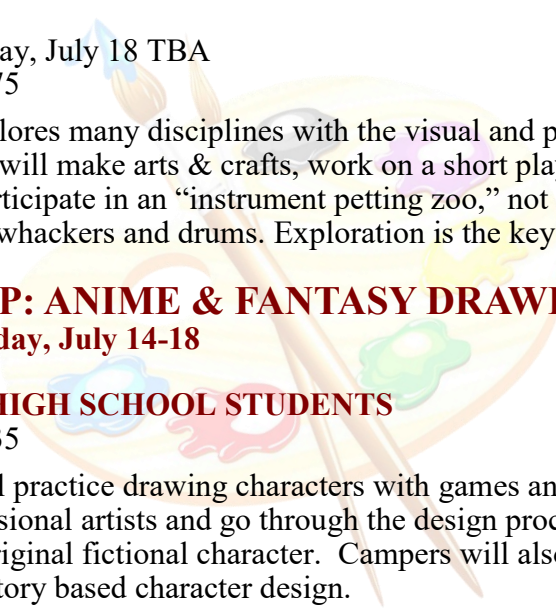
Monday - Friday, July 14-18

1pm-4pm

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

\$115/\$125/\$135

Your artist will practice drawing characters with games and exercises used by professional artists and go through the design process to create and draw an original fictional character. Campers will also learn about anatomy and story based character design.



SPECIAL EVENT

HULA HOOPIN' QUEEN DAY AT SOO THEATRE

Wednesday, July 16
With local author **Thelma Godin**
Watch our website for more details!



YOUTH ORCHESTRA CAMP

YOUTH ORCHESTRA CAMP: JAZZ, FIDDLE, ROCK

Monday - Friday, July 14-18
10am-3pm

Showcase Friday, July 18 TBA
\$135/\$155/\$175

This youth orchestra camp will explore lots of different genres of music from jazz to fiddle to rock, plus some classical tunes as well. A lot of fun for your young strings musician!



OPERA FESTIVAL CAMPS & WORKSHOPS

OPERA APPRENTICE PROGRAM

HANSEL & GRETEL by Engelbert Humperdinck

Artists will also perform in the mainstage production of *The Marriage of Figaro*
July 17-August 10

Performance Saturday, July 26, 7pm &
Touring Performance Monday, July 28

Tuition \$525/Housing available for an additional fee

Vocal Apprentice by audition only

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Apprentices will:

- Perform a role in the Apprentice Opera, Hansel & Gretel performed with Apprentice Orchestra.
- Perform an aria with full orchestra in our Apprentice Aria Showcase
- Understudy leading roles, sing comprimario roles, and/or serve in leadership positions in the chorus of the mainstage production, *The Marriage of Figaro*
- Participate in outreach performance events throughout Northern Michigan
- Work with top tier professionals in master classes, lessons, and workshops

Applications accepted through March 1st.

JULY & AUGUST 2025

LESSONS WITH GUEST INSTRUCTORS

Some of our more intensive, upper level camps have guest instructors that come to work with our Soo Theatre students during their camp week(s).

One on one private lessons can be set up with these guest instructors during their time here. To arrange for your student to have one or more private lessons with some of our guest faculty, please email education@sootheatre.org for pricing and availability.

Our distinguished guest faculty for summer 2025 includes:

Dr. Thomas Gunther, voice

Dr. Suna Gunther, voice

Sarah Lockwood, violin/
viola

We have many more instructors coming, so be sure to email for more info!

OPERA FESTIVAL CAMPS & WORKSHOPS

OPERA & MUSICAL THEATRE WORKSHOP

Monday - Wednesday, July 14-16 &
Monday - Wednesday, July 21-23

11am-4pm

VOCAL GALA Thursday, July 24, 7pm

\$235/\$255/\$275

This vocal workshop is designed for students and adults, from college voice majors, pre-career singers and young singers who are working on technique & artistry. This one-week intensive focuses on vocal technique and performance of songs from musical theater and opera. Students will participate in daily masterclasses with professional guest artists visiting for the opera. Sessions will be taught on technique, diction, and performance and will be applicable to singers of all levels.

OPERA ORCHESTRA CAMP

HANSEL & GRETEL by Engelbert Humperdinck

CAMP: Monday - Friday, July 21-25

10:30am-3:00pm

Performance Saturday, July 26, 7pm

Touring Performance Monday, July 28

Additional evening rehearsals the week of camp

Additional lessons and/or rehearsals may also be scheduled ahead of camp

Tuition: \$170/\$185/\$200

Students prepare with lessons ahead of this camp for this classic opera, sung by our opera apprentices. Apprentices come from all over the midwest and sing the lead roles in this opera while also preparing understudy parts or smaller roles in our mainstage opera. Open to strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion students. Experience the joy of opera!

CHAMBER MUSIC CAMP

Monday - Friday, July 28 - August 1

11am-3pm

Performance TBA

\$150/\$165/\$180

This camp is open to strings, woodwinds, and brass players and will feature guest faculty from the Soo Opera Orchestra. Students learn the fundamentals of playing in small ensembles, are coached by professional musicians, and have opportunity to discuss all things chamber!

SUMMER LESSONS

Soo Theatre offers private lessons on many instruments including:

- ♪ Voice, Piano, Harp
- ♪ Violin, Viola, Cello, Bass
- ♪ Flute, Clarinet, Oboe, Saxophone
- ♪ Trumpet, Trombone, Baritone

If you don't see your instrument on the list, feel free to contact us and we will see if we can help place you with an instructor.

During the summer, our teachers may offer a block of 4 or 6 lessons at a specified time, or they may offer a flexible punch card option.

Punch cards can be purchased for 30 minute, 40 minute, and 55 minute lessons.

New students are also welcome to start lessons during the summer months, dependent on instructor availability.

Check with your private instructor to see if they plan to teach this summer! Or email education@sootheatre.org to check on teaching availability.

REGISTRATION

SUMMER CAMP & SUMMER LESSON REGISTRATION

Registration materials including policies and registration forms (online and printable pdf) can be found on our website at www.sootheatre.org

Soo Theatre assesses a \$25 per family per year registration fee from September through August.

Registrations are not considered complete until we have received both a signed, completed registration form acknowledging agreement to policies and payment for the classes/camps indicated on the registration form.

PRIVATE LESSONS

Private lessons are ongoing throughout the year. You can register any time during the year at www.sootheatre.org

TUITION

There are 3 tuitions listed in summer brochures. The first is the early bird rate. Early bird rates are in effect until April 30th. Rates increase on May 1st (the second rate listed) and on June 1st (the 3rd rate listed). Make sure to register early to get the best rate!

The registration fee applies to all lessons and camps unless otherwise noted. For some introductory classes, the registration fee may be waived and is noted as such in the brochure.

Once you have registered for a camp or class, you should receive a bill via email (to the email you listed on your registration) within 2 weeks. Payment is due at the time of registration.

Summer camp tuition may be transferred within a family to another family member or to another camp, but summer camp tuition is non-refundable.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Soo Theatre has a limited number of scholarships available. You can stop in the office to pick up a scholarship application or you can email education@sootheatre.org for more information.

QUESTIONS

Questions regarding camps, classes, workshops, can be directed to education@sootheatre.org

MISSION STATEMENT

The Soo Theatre fosters the enjoyment, understanding, and development of the arts in the Eastern Upper Peninsula through diverse and engaging experiences.

CALENDAR

We want to keep you informed!

On our website, www.sootheatre.org, there is a Public Calendar that you can access to check out what's new and what's coming up.

Go to www.sootheatre.org and click on "tickets and events" and then "public calendar."

This calendar will show you any events, auditions, productions, camps, new classes, concerts, etc. that are coming up.

We hope to see you in Summer 2025!

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