

Inspiring & Transforming Lives!

2018 Theatre Education Program Report

Educational Programming

Claude McNeal Productions partners with schools and community organizations to provide alternative educational theatre experiences for children and adults in order to build healthy relationships with individuals and communities.

177 total productions, for 14,419 program participants!

2018 was an incredible year for our educational theatre



programs, reaching 8,724 students, 1,925 adults, and 3,770 Indiana State Police

Officers!

Our ACT OUT Ensemble traveled to over 60 different schools, organizations and community centers throughout Central Indiana and Northern Ohio.

With 132 total school-related performances, and 45 Indiana State Police Mandate shows, we ended the year with 177 total productions. Some of our highlights included:

- 95 ACT OUT shows for Indianapolis-area and Central Indiana schools
- 3 productions of <u>Voices of a Generation</u>, 6 of <u>The Greeks: In the Beginning</u>, and 3 of <u>Sounds of</u> the Season: A Holiday Musical at Herron High

- A brand-new exciting pilot program with Sycamore Services, Inc. – another local nonprofit serving individuals with developmental disabilities – partnering on a "recreational arts therapy program for their clients.
- Our annual Performing Arts Camp serving 15 youth from 4 different area high schools in musical theatre and acting workshops
- 3 shows for 1,170 University of Indianapolis students & 1 for 300 Franklin College students on date rape & resident asst. training
- 4 shows for the Domestic Task
 Force in Logansport reaching 950 students
- 6 shows reaching 1,200 students in Henry County for the Indiana Drug Education Assoc.
- 10 shows in Northeast Ohio for Four County Family Center Schools/Bryan Area Health Education Center, reaching 1,000 students





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Our work with the Indiana State Police

Since 2006, a health and human service initiative by the Indiana Drug Education Association partners ACT OUT with the Indiana State Police. The State of Indiana requires each police officer to attend mandatory training on SIDS (sudden infant death syndrome), biohazards, human trafficking, mental illness, domestic violence, and blood-born pathogens. These topics are included in ACT OUT's comprehensive list of offerings. Shows are held in police stations, community centers and local schools. By providing more than 45 shows annually, ACT OUT helps the Indiana State Police meet state mandates while the ensemble expands its social outreach, illuminates root problems and identifies solutions.

In 2018, our ACT OUT Ensemble performed 45 shows for 3,770 Police Officers in 19 different counties.

CMP & SYCAMORE SERVICES PARTNER ON A PILOT PROGRAM!

Starting late-May 2018, and running through mid-September 2018, Claude McNeal Productions partnered with another local non-profit, Sycamore Services, Inc., to present the



inauguration of a unique
"Recreational Expressive Arts
Therapy Program" (REAT) for their
clients. Sycamore Services, Inc. is
a local non-profit organization that
provides a variety of services for
individuals with developmental
disabilities. Their services meet the
needs of individuals with

impairments in: physical abilities; learning; language; behaviors, and socialization skills. As an agency their mission is to make a difference in the lives of individuals with developmental disabilities through providing quality individualized services to increase independence and enhance their quality of life.

An extension of Sycamore's "Community Activity and Integration" program, the goal is to increase the social experiences of people with disabilities, helping to teach/improve



communication skills and increase independence in public settings. CMP and Sycamore Services staff worked together to provide customized services based on each individual's unique personal goals.

Weekly programs focused on different aspects of the performing arts, including: building verbal and non-verbal acting and communication skills; individual and group singing; movement for the stage; and working with costumes and

props for expression. Classes and workshops initially focused on theatre and improvisational theatre games, vocal and physical exercises, and general team-building skills. Towards the end of the program, classes then focused on rehearsing for a final showcase, held in September at Herron High School.

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Indpls Classical Schools: A Perfect Laboratory

Our Youth and the Arts (YATA) program partners Claude McNeal Productions with Indianapolis Classical Schools (a collective of the acclaimed Herron and Riverside High School's) in downtown Indianapolis.



In 2006, Claude McNeal Productions joined forces with Herron High School to run their Theatre Arts Program. CMP brings their many years of expertise in educational theatre programming for youth to

The Greeks: In the Beginning this endeavor by teaching

beginning, intermediate and advanced theatre courses throughout the school year, and in the supervision and mounting of Herron's four annual productions. ICS is the perfect "laboratory" for the innovative programs offered by Claude McNeal Productions, working with over 200 students in the theatre department.

Our 2018/19 Theatre Productions at ICS so far, have included 6 shows of *The Greeks*, and 3 of an original cabaret holiday musical, *Sounds of the Season*.



Sounds of the Season