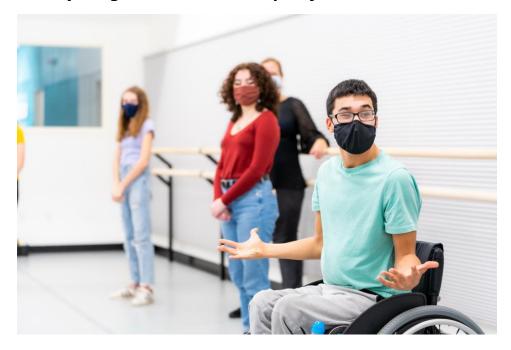
HANOVER THEATRE

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High five! The Hanover Theatre Conservatory enters its 5th year of classes this January. Registration is now open for the new semester!



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"Classes allow our students to have fun and be in the moment while making connections with others. That is what the arts are all about – making connections with one another through storytelling." - Meghan Montaner, President of the Conservatory & Education Division

Join The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts as we enter our 5th year of classes with a new season for arts-lovers of all ages. Add some creativity, fun and movement to your new year with a new session of conservatory classes! <u>This semester</u>, we have over 30 classes in acting, dance, technical theatre and design beginning in January. It's also a great time to join one of our 60 full-year dance classes or sign up for <u>private voice lessons</u>.

The Hanover Theatre Conservatory cultivates individual attention, ignites creativity and inspires confidence through arts education. Courses are catered to creatives from infancy to adulthood! Mold young minds with classes for kids like Music Together (Infants-age 5), Folk & Fairytale (Grades 2-3), World Explorers (Grades 2-3)

and Creative Drama (Grades 4-8). Encourage growth with classes for teens like Teen Improv (Grades 9-12), Acting (Grades 9-12), College Audition Monologue Prep (Grades 11-12) and Playwriting (Teens & Adults). Find new passions with classes for adults like Adult Tap Beginner (Ages 18+), Adult Acting (Ages 18+) and Intro to Technical Theatre, Audio and Lighting. <u>The possibilities are unlimited</u>!

Our classes are process-based rather than product-based. Therefore, a number of <u>performance opportunities</u> are also available for students in order to provide them with the opportunity to put their skills to practice outside of class. Conservatory students get access to performances that take place on The Hanover Theatre's mainstage, The BrickBox, and more. With opportunities like The Nutcracker, The Worcester County Dance Festival, The Student Choreography & Variations Showcase and Spring Reflection, THTC students get a chance to see how far they've come. We also offer excellent opportunities within The Youth Acting Company and our Youth Ballet Company.

Many students have gone on to pursue the arts in college at institutions such as Emerson College, Boston University, NYU, Boston Conservatory at Berklee, Berklee College of Music, Hofstra, Hartt School at the University of Hartford, Marymount Manhattan College, Syracuse University and more...

"I honestly don't know where I would be without the conservatory. This is where I found myself." - Dylan from Hopkinton

"The conservatory prepared me for the next step in pursuing my career. Working with so many skilled instructors was an experience I couldn't get anywhere else." - Heather from Worcester

"I'm so grateful for everything I learned at the conservatory. This experience really made my senior year and helped me to find lifelong friends that I will stay in touch with for the rest of my life." - Eli from Marlborough

Register early and save! All registrants before January 3 avoid a \$15 registration fee. Payment plans are available for added convenience. Please visit <u>TheHanoverTheatre.org/conservatory</u> or call the Box Office at 877-571-7469 (SHOW) for more details or to enroll.

Hanover Theatre Education Programs

We know the transformative power the performing arts can have on our lives, and we're so proud to bring it to our city. We're proud to play a significant role in <u>giving back to the community</u>, and initiatives like the Adopt-A-School Program, Conservatory Scholarships, and The WYSH (Worcester Youth Speak Honestly) Project help us give back to the community that supports us.

The Hanover Theatre provides an important cultural resource and economic impact to our community. Serving as the source of funding for many of our programs, our Access to the Arts fund reflects our commitment to and belief in the importance of ensuring that the performing arts are accessible to everyone in our community. <u>Make a difference</u> through the performing arts and consider making a donation today!

About The Hanover Theatre and Conservatory for the Performing Arts

The Hanover Theatre has entertained more than two million patrons with world-class performances and headlining acts including Broadway hits ("Jersey Boys," "Kinky Boots," "Something Rotten!"), comedians (Dave Chappelle, Jay Leno, Jerry Seinfeld), musical acts (Neil Young, Aretha Franklin, Sarah Brightman, John Legend,

Tony Bennett) and everything in between ("A Christmas Carol," Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre, Alton Brown, Dr. Neil deGrasse Tyson). POLLSTAR consistently ranks The Hanover Theatre as one of the top theatres in the world. After 12 seasons, the award-winning, historic theatre continues to establish its place as a worldclass performing arts venue, acting as a catalyst for the economic development of downtown Worcester. The Hanover Theatre's facilities at 551 Main Street house function spaces, offices and The Hanover Theatre Conservatory.

The Hanover Theatre Conservatory cultivates individual attention, ignites creativity and inspires confidence through arts education. The Conservatory offers passionate teaching artists who inspire and nurture personal growth and expression, studios with sprung floors for classes, rehearsals, small performances and master classes, state-of-the-art tech and costume labs for advanced education in stage craft and design, master classes with incredible guest artists and national touring productions, performance opportunities on The Hanover Theatre's world-class stage, financial aid to ensure access to arts education regardless of financial means and continuing education programs for adults. Many students have gone on to pursue the arts in college at institutions such as Emerson College, Boston University, NYU, Boston Conservatory at Berklee, Berklee College of Music, Hofstra, Hartt School at the University of Hartford, Marymount Manhattan College, Syracuse University and more.

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