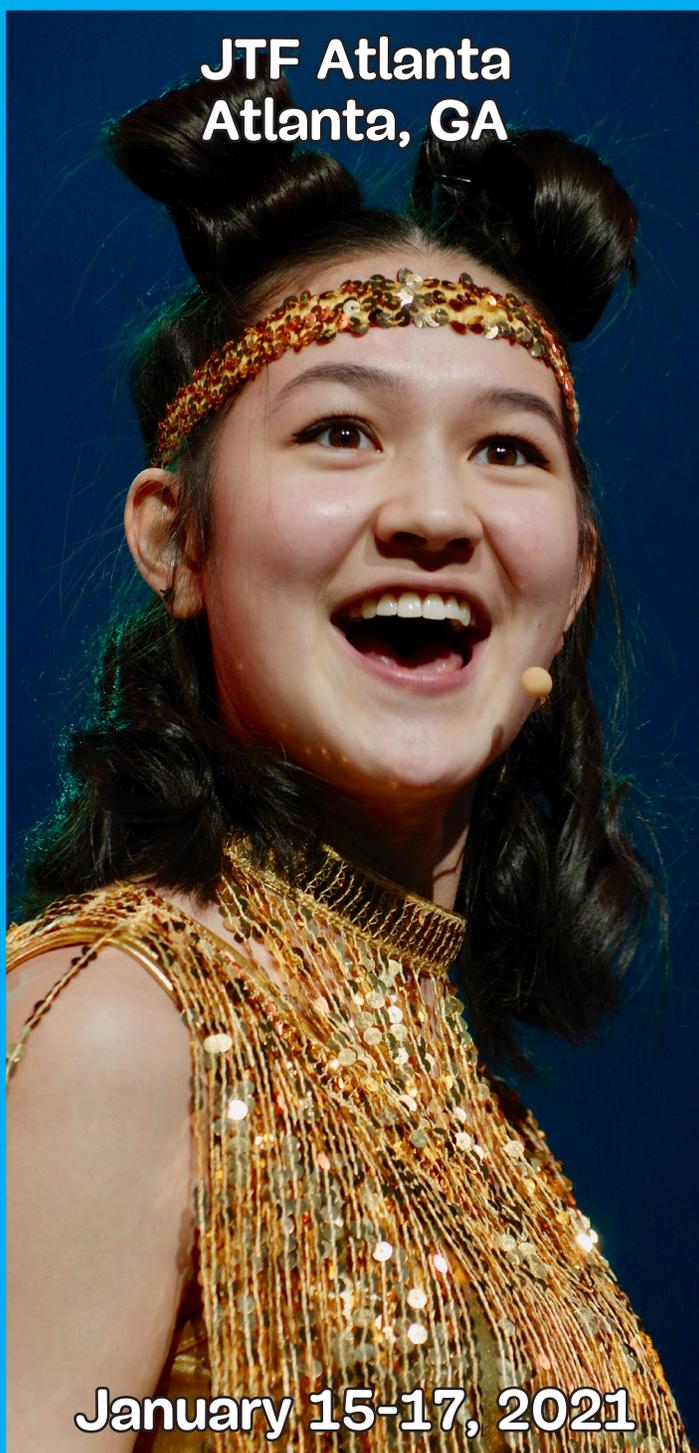




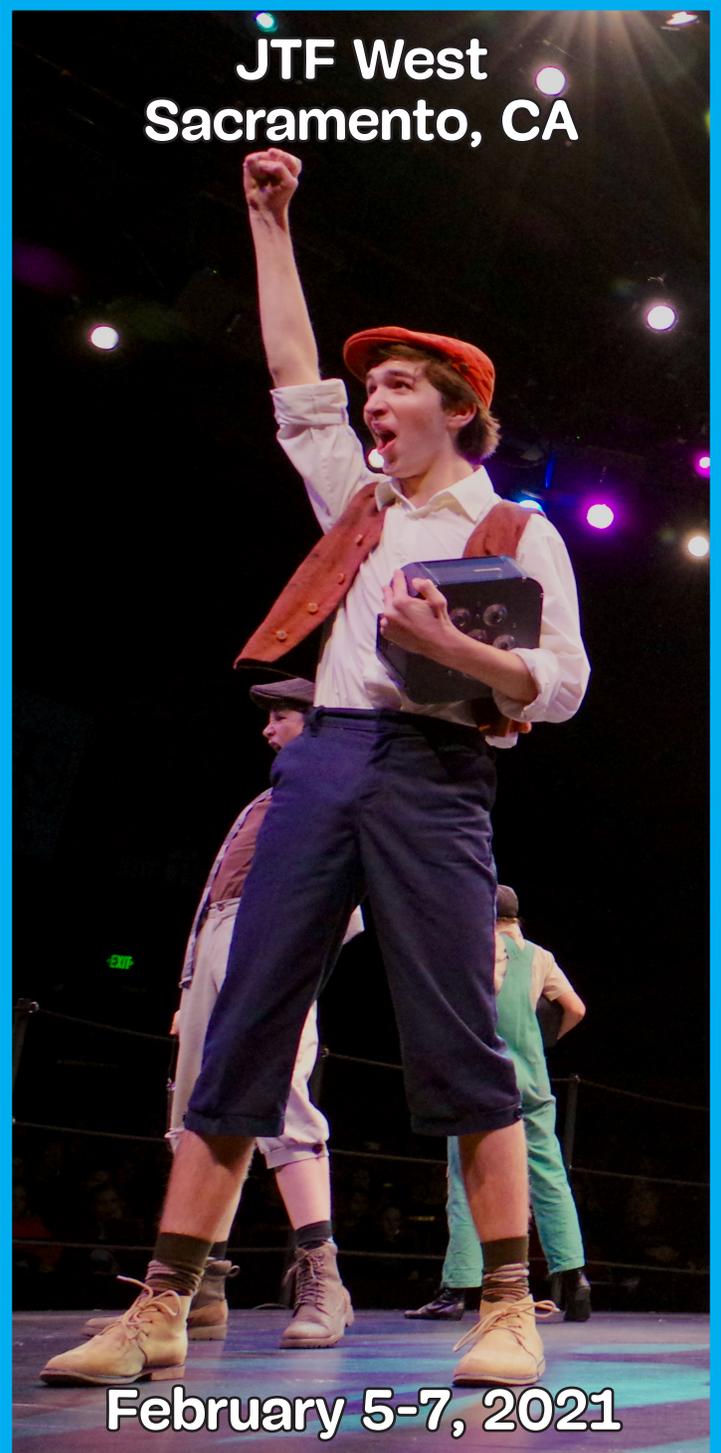
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JTF Atlanta
Atlanta, GA



January 15-17, 2021

JTF West
Sacramento, CA



February 5-7, 2021



Cynthia Erivo



Luca Padovan
Isabella Russo



Caissie Levy



Ryan McCartan



Lindsay Mendez

Welcome!

Our Junior Theater Festivals are a time for theater makers who are young (or young at heart), to come together and celebrate making the world a better place one musical at a time! The New York Times describes JTF as “a rousing celebration of theater” and we couldn’t agree more! Where else can you belt out the latest Broadway tune with thousands of people from 40 different states and 6 different countries who love musical theater as much as you do?

Each Junior Theater Festival is a mix of adjudications, workshops for students and teachers, and Broadway’s best sharing their talents and insights. In addition, there are student and teacher awards, a dance party, and we always conclude the festival with a one-of-a-kind concert, specifically produced for our JTF participants. Past performers include Megan Hilty, Darren Criss, Lindsay Mendez, Cynthia Erivo, Pasek and Paul, Heisler and Goldrich, and Cassie Levy.

There are two Junior Theater Festivals in the United States to choose from: JTF Atlanta and JTF West. Each festival has slightly different programming and a different vibe. JTF Atlanta is huge, with over 7,000 attendees. It’s fast-paced and intensely programmed. JTF West is more intimate, with 2,200 people attending and mainstage events performed in the round at the Wells Fargo Pavilion. The pace is more relaxed, and there’s even time to soak in the California sun underneath a palm tree.

To everyone who attended one of our 2020 Junior Theater Festivals, thank you! If you’ve never attended a Junior Theater Festival, what are you waiting for? I promise that you, your students, and your parents will experience one of the most rewarding and energizing weekends ever. But a word of advice: our 2020 festivals sold out in just 48 hours, so be sure to register on **March 16th** if you are a returning group, or have previously joined us on the Professional Development track. I look forward to welcoming you and your students at a 2021 Junior Theater Festival!

Sincerely,
Timothy Allen McDonald
Executive Producer



Lynn Ahrens and
Stephen Flaherty



Benj Pasek and
Justin Paul



Alan Menken and
Thomas Schumacher



Marcy Heisler and
Zina Goldrich



Stephen Schwartz



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Key Events

Adjudication

Student groups perform 15 minutes from an MTI Broadway Junior® musical (includes JR. and KIDS titles) for adjudication by leading theater professionals. Groups are rated in key areas of music, acting, dance, and overall performance. The adjudicators offer constructive criticism to encourage further learning and growth.

Workshops for Students and Teachers

Broadway professionals and master teachers from across the country offer interactive workshops! Workshops are offered for both teachers and students in all aspects of musical theater performance and technical theater.

JTF All-Stars

Selected student performers and student technicians are chosen as festival All-Stars. All-Stars participate in exclusive performance or technical workshops and are given the opportunity to be a major part of the *Freddie G Awards Ceremony*.

Choreography Video Auditions

Up to 6 students from each participating group are invited to audition for Broadway Junior Resident Choreographer Steven G. Kennedy for future Broadway Junior Choreography Video shoots!

New Works Showcase

Be the first to experience the exciting new Broadway Junior titles soon to be released.

Pathways and Direct From Broadway

One-of-a-kind mainstage events hosted by Junior Theater Festival creator, Tim McDonald, featuring conversations and performances with professionals from across the theatrical industry about their unique journeys and remarkable accomplishments.

Tech Olympics

Four students from each group compete in this fun, high-energy tech obstacle course designed to get everyone pumped up about technical theater!

Freddie G Awards Ceremony

Named in honor of MTI's CEO and Tony Award Honoree Freddie Gershon, the *Freddie G Awards Ceremony* is a celebration of the weekend's accomplishments. Featuring over 50 different awards, the ceremony also highlights performances by the festival All-Stars and outstanding groups.

And fun, fun, FUN!

The fun begins Friday night with the *Director's Welcome and Workshop*. Saturday night is the JTF Dance Party, and Sunday night everyone attends a special performance curated specifically for our JTF audience! Add spontaneous student sing-alongs, meeting new friends, and balloon arches and this is sure to be a weekend your students will *never* forget.

Schedule of Events

This tentative schedule is for JTF Atlanta and JTF West.
Final schedules will be sent out prior to the festival.

FRIDAY

Festival Sign-In	10:00AM
[Open Studio Rehearsals Begin	1:00PM
[Group Photos Begin	
Professional Development Orientation	7:00PM
<i>Director's Welcome and Workshop</i>	8:00PM

SATURDAY

Festival Kick-Off!	8:00AM
Adjudication	8:30AM
Lunch Break (<i>on your own</i>)	1:15PM
<i>Direct From Broadway</i>	3:00PM
Student and Teacher Workshops	4:15PM
Dinner Break (<i>on your own</i>)	5:45PM
<i>New Works Showcase</i>	8:00PM
JTF Dance Party (<i>for Students and Chaperones</i>)	9:30PM

SUNDAY

[All-Star Rehearsals	9:00AM
[Tech Olympics	
<i>Pathways</i>	10:00AM
Student and Teacher Workshops	11:00AM
Lunch Break (<i>on your own</i>)	12:30PM
<i>Freddie G Awards Ceremony</i>	2:30PM
Dinner Break (<i>on your own</i>)	5:15PM
Professional Performance	8:00PM

JTF Atlanta 2021 Registration

STUDENT GROUPS

Pricing

Group Registration Fee..... \$725

The \$725 group registration fee holds your group's spot at JTF. Your registration is considered complete as soon as you have filled out your online registration and we have received your registration fee. Our festival administrator will review your registration materials and email you when you have officially been accepted to the festival. This may take up to 3 weeks from the time of receipt. If your group is not accepted, your registration fee will be refunded.

Per Person Participation Fee..... \$260

Each person who attends JTF must be registered with their group, including directors, students, chaperones, and parents. Each festival attendee is required to pay the \$260 per person participation fee. A minimum of 20 participants per group is required (including directors, students, chaperones, and parents). Participation fees for JTF Atlanta will be due to iTheatrics by October 15, 2020. After that date, participation fees increase to \$290 per person. You will not be able to register individuals at Festival Sign-In the weekend of the festival. Day passes are not available.

Participation Fees Include:

- A JTF all-access wristband • A festival t-shirt •
A Souvenir Program • Special JTF Performances you won't see anywhere else!!! •

Participation Fees Do Not Include:

- Transportation • Meals • Lodging (see page 7 for hotel information) •

How to Register

To register your group for JTF Atlanta, visit juniortheaterfestival.com. If you are a returning group, log in with your existing credentials. If you are a new group, you will be prompted to create an account for your organization. Once that is complete and you are on the Registration page, select "Register As Group" and follow the prompts. You will be asked for estimated numbers of students, chaperones, directors, and any additional family and friends attending. This is a true estimate and these numbers do not need to be finalized until the fall. You will also be asked if you are interested in booking an official festival hotel.

You will be asked to pay the \$725 registration fee in order to secure your group's spot at JTF. You can pay online by credit card or select an option to submit a check. Your registration will not be considered complete until you have filled out the online registration and we have received your \$725 registration fee.

Please make all checks payable to Junior Theater Group and mail to:
Junior Theater Festival • Attn: Lindsay Lupi • 628 West 52nd Street • Suite 1F •
New York, NY 10019

Once your group has been officially accepted, registration fees are nonrefundable.

JTF West 2021 Registration

STUDENT GROUPS

Pricing

Group Registration Fee..... \$725

The \$725 group registration fee holds your group's spot at JTF. Your registration is considered complete as soon as you have filled out your online registration and we have received your registration fee. Our festival administrator will review your registration materials and email you when you have officially been accepted to the festival. This may take up to 3 weeks from the time of receipt. If your group is not accepted, your registration fee will be refunded.

Per Person Participation Fee..... \$240

Each person who attends JTF must be registered with their group, including directors, students, chaperones and parents. Each festival attendee is required to pay the \$240 per person participation fee. A minimum of 20 participants per group is required (including directors, students, chaperones, and parents). Participation fees for JTF West are due to iTheatrics by November 15, 2020. After that date, participation fees increase to \$270 per person. You will not be able to register individuals at Festival Sign-In the weekend of the festival. Day passes are not available.

Participation Fees Include:

- A JTF all-access wristband • A festival t-shirt •
- A Souvenir Program • Special JTF Performances you won't see anywhere else!!! •

Participation Fees Do Not Include:

- Transportation • Meals • Lodging (see page 7 for hotel information) •

How to Register

To register your group for JTF West, visit juniortheaterfestival.com. If you are a returning group, log in with your existing credentials. If you are a new group, you will be prompted to create an account for your organization. Once that is complete and you are on the Registration page, select "Register As Group" and follow the prompts. You will be asked for estimated numbers of students, chaperones, directors, and any additional family and friends attending. This is a true estimate and these numbers do not need to be finalized until the fall. You will also be asked if you are interested in booking an official festival hotel.

You will be asked to pay the \$725 registration fee in order to secure your group's spot at JTF. You can pay online by credit card or select an option to submit a check. Your registration will not be considered complete until you have filled out the online registration and we have received your \$725 registration fee.

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JTF Atlanta and JTF West 2021 Registration

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRACK

The Professional Development Track is the ideal way to explore, experience, and empower yourself to produce a musical theater production with your kids! You will immerse yourself in workshops, adjudications, and discussions while having fun with fellow teachers and directors. If you are interested in bringing a group to the festival in the future, it is a great way to experience it first without students. We promise to leave you inspired and energized with new strategies and resources.

Pricing

Participation Fee..... \$400

Participation Fees Include:

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A Souvenir Program • Special JTF Performances you won't see anywhere else!!! •

Participation Fees Do Not Include:

- Transportation • Meals • Lodging (see page 7 for hotel information) •

How to Register

To register for the Professional Development track at JTF Atlanta or JTF West, visit juniortheaterfestival.com. You will be prompted to create an account for your organization. This will record your organization's basic contact information. Once that is complete and you are on the Registration page, select "Register on the Professional Development Track" and follow the prompts. You will be asked if you are interested in booking rooms at an official festival hotel and if you'd like to register additional PD participants.

You will be asked to pay the \$400 participation fee per person in order to secure your spot at JTF. You can pay online by credit card or select an option to submit a check. Your registration will not be considered complete until you have filled out the online registration and we have received your \$400 participation fee.

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Hotel Information

There are official festival hotels for JTF West and JTF Atlanta. Rooms in these hotels must be booked directly through the Junior Theater Festival. Priority for official festival hotels will be given to groups based on the order registration is completed (online form submitted and registration fee received). You are not required to stay in an official festival hotel.

Official festival hotels for JTF Atlanta are the Waverly Renaissance, the Embassy Suites, and Sheraton Suites. Official festival hotels for JTF West are the Hyatt Regency Sacramento and Sheraton Grand Sacramento Hotel. Specific pricing and other pertinent information will be sent out once your group has been accepted to the festival.

Please note, there is a limited amount of space in these hotels and they fill up fast. There are many other great hotel options in the general vicinity of both festivals.

