

# NEW TRIER THEATRE

*Theatre courses fulfill the graduation requirement for Fine and/or Practical Arts*

**THEATRE 1: THEATRE WORKSHOP** This is the ideal class for any Northfield Campus student who wants to act in plays or musicals on New Trier stages and develop confidence and performance skills. Students will explore many different character types through role playing, monologues and scene work from scripts. Students will also become stronger team players through improvisational and theatre games as well as learn how to audition effectively for plays and musicals. In addition, students may choose to perform as an ensemble member in the Freshman Play. Students of all experience levels are welcome to play, learn, and become part of our community!



**THEATRE 2: ACTING WORKSHOP** This course is the entry point for Winnetka Campus students interested in theatre and performance. Students will learn techniques for creating a character from a play, using sense memory, emotion memory, script analysis, and scene study. In the second semester, students will research, prepare, and perform scenes from plays representing the major periods in theatre history. That work culminates in Dionysus Day, an all-day festival of theatre. Other units include audition preparation, improvisation, and comedy performance. Students who encounter a scheduling conflict with a science lab or special education services may be eligible to enroll in a modified version of this course for partial credit.

**TECHNICAL THEATRE & DESIGN** This course is designed for Northfield and Winnetka Campus students who are interested in the technical aspects of Theatre. Students will learn about and develop skills in stagecraft and design. The course will focus on specialized design and construction projects in collaboration with school productions. It will include practical, hands-on projects and design work and theory. It is structured to accommodate students with varying degrees of production experience. If Winnetka Campus students cannot schedule this course for a full block, they may be eligible to take this course in a modified version opposite their science lab, with departmental approval.

**Learn more about our department**  
[www.newtrier.k12.il.us/Music&Theatre](http://www.newtrier.k12.il.us/Music&Theatre)

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Performing Arts Theatre Opportunities	
*Junior/Senior Leadership Opportunity	
	Freshman    Sophomore    Junior    Senior
First Quarter	Fall Play Improv Troupe Stage Crew Lagniappe-Potpourri
Second Quarter	Freshman-Sophomore Musical Workshop* Winter Play Improv Troupe Stage Crew
Third Quarter	Freshman Play Freshman-Sophomore Play* Choir-Opera Musical Directing Projects Improv Troupe Stage Crew
Fourth Quarter	Directing Projects Spring Play Stage Crew

**NO AUDITION REQUIRED**

**Stage Crew**

The backbone of every play, musical, and dance production at New Trier, crew members build sets, paint scenery, operate the sound and lights for all performances, and have a great time. No previous experience is necessary. This is a terrific hands-on activity for anyone from a master builder to someone who barely knows how to turn on a light switch. Visit the NTHS Performing Arts webpage for more information about the crew kickoff meetings to get started.

**Improv: No Questions Asked**

If you love “Who’s Line Is It Anyway?” and comedy you’ll love learning, practicing and perfecting your improvisational skills with this group! NQA, New Trier’s after-school improv club and troupe, meets throughout the year. This short form improvisation group welcomes students who want to play improv games, meet other creative students, and build skills that lead to an improv performance in April.

Learn more about Performing Arts <https://www.newtrier.k12.il.us/PerformingArts>

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