

Education Fact Sheet



Overview

Playhouse Square's Education Department is unique in the performing arts industry for the variety of programs it offers, the partnerships it initiates and the access it provides students, educators and aspiring artists to performing arts professionals. Since its inception in 1998, the department has offered thousands of events, workshops, classes and more, most with minimal or no fees, to people of all ages from across Northeast Ohio.

Nationally recognized programs enable school children to experience the performing arts, both as audience members and as performers.

Initiatives

- ♦ 4 for \$40 Children's Theater Series presented by University Hospitals Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital
- ♦ Annual Family Theater Day presented by University Hospitals Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital
- ♦ Disney Musicals in Schools presented by Dee and Jimmy Haslam
- ♦ Dazzle Awards presented by Pat and John Chapman, recognizing excellence in Northeast Ohio high school musical theater programs
- ♦ Sensory-friendly programming presented by Denise G. and Norman E. Wells, Jr.
- ♦ Streaming performances and workshops reaching 26 Ohio counties

Facts

- ♦ Commits \$1 million annually to community engagement and education programming
- ♦ Provides transportation subsidies to supplement education funding cuts, making it possible for students to take field trips to see live theater
- ♦ Programs sensory-friendly theater experiences for audience members with sensory needs
- ♦ Annually serves 235,000 students and teachers

