

New Spark Performance Arts 2021 JTF Information

General Information:

- Participant ages range from rising 5th-12th grade (at the time of the trip).
- We will select a group of students to travel to JTF and perform a 15-minute cutting of Moana Jr. at the festival.
- The dates for this trip are **Thursday, January 13th - Monday, January 17th, 2022.**
- Our hotel is the Embassy Suites by Hilton Atlanta Galleria. The festival will take place at the Renaissance Atlanta Waverly Hotel & Convention Center.

Cost:

- The trip's **total cost will be between \$450-\$600 per person** for students and chaperones.
- **A \$130 trip deposit will be due upon role acceptance.**
- The total remaining cost will be split into 3 payments in October, November, and December.
- The exact trip total, as well as a breakdown of costs will be given to parents ASAP.
- If a participant drops JTF mid-payment, money already sent to JTF cannot be refunded.
- According to JTF policy- Refunds will only be given if the child/chaperone has to quarantine during the festival and cannot attend.
- Families will be refunded any difference in fees if the in-person event is moved online.

Chaperones:

- Parents can apply to chaperone the trip once the cast is announced.
- Our child to chaperone ratio will be 3 to 1.
- Chaperones will be responsible for driving the children in their room to and from JTF.
- Chaperones will be background checked.

Rehearsal Schedule / Policy:

- Our JTF rehearsal schedule is posted on our website.
- We will rehearse from Nov. 27 - Dec. 17, then take a break for the holidays, we'll return from January 3-12 to finish rehearsal then leave on the 13th.
- The days and times of rehearsal are Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri from 6:30pm-9pm and Saturdays from 10am - 5pm.
- Conflicts will be taken upon signing up for JTF (please note, multiple conflicts may prohibit casting).
- Our rehearsal schedule for JTF will be binding, missing rehearsals that aren't pre-established conflicts will not result in removal from the trip, but may result in removal from the piece.

COVID-19:

- As of now, iTheatrics (the company behind JTF) is moving forward with the January festival as planned and we are following their lead.
- Our COVID rehearsal guidelines will be in place, they can be found on our website.
- The festival itself will be altered to fit COVID restrictions. Each group will be in their own bubble including during the adjudication and in the main theater. As more COVID policies are put into place we will update parents.

JTF Online Extravaganza:

- There is a possibility of the festival being moved online due to COVID. If JTF moves online we will be attending.
- If the trip goes virtual, our cutting will be pre-recorded and sent to iTheatrics.
- During the week of the virtual festival NSPA will rent space large enough for us to gather to watch the adjudication, live stream with judges as they critique us, do JTF music and dance workshops, stream the concert, and watch the Freddie G awards live.
- This may include 1-2 nights stay in a hotel here in Memphis.
- After new accommodations are made, families will be refunded the difference in cost.