# ABOUT THE PROGRAM DIRECTORS

Samantha Schugardt has been involved with the Pennsylvania Theatre of Performing Arts since high school. She started as a performer spending all her time on stage but has since transitioned to her current position of Artistic Director for the current PTPA season. For the past few years Schugardt participated in the organization under various titles including director, choreographer, performer, and more! In addition to being a multi-NEPTA Award Winning choreographer and director, she was nominated for a Broadway World Award for her choreography work with the Union County Performing Arts Center, New Jersey. Outside of the theatre Schugardt is the dance teacher at Innovative Arts Academy Charter School in Catasaugua, PA and teaches private dance classes as well. She looks forward to the upcoming season with the PTPA, and can't wait to produce quality entertainment for the Hazleton Area once again!

Michael Marone always enjoys returning to the PTPA stage. After being a regular at PTPA throughout high school himself, he is excited to instruct and direct the up and coming actors in the youth programs today. Marone has worked across various NEPA theatres including Music Box Dinner Playhouse, The Nuangola Theatre at the Grove, Little Theatre of Wilkes Barre, Shawnee Playhouse, Nuremberg Community Players, PTPA, and now the newly devised Ovation Playhouse, under his own artistic direction. Marone has years of experience developing summer programs and is excited to collaborate once again with his theatrical partner in crime, Sam.



ADDITIONAL CAMP STAFF AND COUNSELORS TO BE ANNOUNCED AS WE APPROACH THE CAMP DATES!





## PTPA PLAYGROUND







SCAN THE QR CODE TO COMPLETE CAMP REGISTRATION

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

#### \$150.00 per camper

Tuition also includes:

- Camper T-shirt
- Performance Materials
- 1 Student Ticket to Something Rotten

For details regarding family discounts and scholarship applications please email Playground@PTPAShows.org.

#### REQUIREMENTS:

#### WHO?

Any student ages 6-16 interested in the performing arts. Classes are geared to the experience level of the camper.

#### WHAT?

Week-long camp for young performers in a fun, low pressure outdoor environment, featuring classes at various experience levels.

#### WHERE?

Outdoor Venue: City View Park, Hazleton Rain Venue: J.J.Ferrara Performing Arts Center 212 West Broad Street, Hazleton, PA 18201 Centrally located just 10 minutes from the Valley and only 30 minutes from Wilkes-Barre.

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Sunday, August 8th through Saturday, August 14th Sunday: 3PM Curtain (Something Rotten) with camp placement class to immediately follow. Monday-Friday: 9AM-3PM Saturday: 9AM-Conclusion of Performance

#### WHY? ...WHY NOT!?

Great way to get introduced to the performing arts or to expand your theater knowledge while making new friends! Something for everyone!

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### IMPORTANT DATES AND INFORMATION:

- Deadline for Registration:
  Saturday, July August 31st, 2021
  (Late registration fee of \$25.00 will be applied to those applications received after August 1st.)
  - First Day of Camp:
    Sunday, August 8th, 2021
  - Final Camp Performance:
    Saturday, August 14th, 2021

#### HOW TO REGISTER:

- Complete online registration form on the PTPA website.
- Send in tuition payment within one week to reserve your spot! OR Complete the tuition payment online instantly by visiting the address at the QR code!

Mail tuition to: 212 W. Broad Street Hazleton PA, 18201





### WHAT TO EXPECT:

#### ACTING TECHNIQUES:

Students will explore the fundamentals of acting, including character development, improvisation and scene study.

#### DANCE:

Campers will experience the basics of musical theater dance while incorporating traditional technique and creative movement.

#### STAGE VOICE:

Instruction in the basic development of the vocal instrument of the actor in stage performance. This includes speaking and projection exercises, vocal warm-ups and musical theater vocal performance.



Additional Activities presented in audition techniques, stage makeup, set design, props and MORE!!

The required **Placement Class** for all campers will take place Sunday, August 8th, immediately following the matinee of Something Rotten at the PTPA on Broad Street, Hazleton. Students who don't audition will be placed in class based on their age at the time of camp.

The camp's **Final Performance** will take place on Saturday, August 14th at 12:00PM at the PTPA on Broad Street in Hazleton. Families and friends are all invited to attend.