SUMMER STOCK STAGE

Our mission:

To enrich our community by inspiring young people to learn, connect, and perform.

Programming:



Two fully-realized productions each summer, featuring high school students from 40+ schools, performed for 3,500 theatergoers.



The emerging artists program of SSS, offering SSS alumni the opportunity to return to Indiana for a professional summer stock experience.



Musical theater camp for second through eighth graders who produce their own show and interact with the Main Stage performers, onstage and off.



From dance classes to college selection seminars, we support our students throughout the year in their artistic pursuits.

Visit our website at summerstockstage.com



Funding:

We are so thankful of your support! 40% of our revenue comes from ticket sales. Another 20% comes from public and private grants. The rest comes from generous donors like you.



Right now, we need a little extra help.



Rapid Growth

As we expand our programming, we have real costs related to additional productions and retaining (and growing!) top-tier staff.



Small Professional Theater

If we want to help our young artists pursue acting careers we need to add professional productions to become an Actors Equity Union theater.

Venues

We are fortunate to partner with stages ranging from university to professional but each new venue requires more logistics, coordination, and funding.

Learn more at summerstockstage.com/support

Jobs Impact:

Every summer we employ more than 60 professionals - and growing every year. Here's a breakdown of the jobs we provide locally.

6%	10%	16%	17%	23%	28%
l Admin	1	l Technicians		l Musicians	
	Interns		Actors		Artistic (directors, designers, choreographers)



Growth:

We're growing - in the number of shows we perform, the amount of programming that supports our artists, the number of local jobs in the arts, and in the money that we raise each year. In the last 8 years, we've successfully supported a 5x increase in operating budget!

\$230k+



2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019



Bringing Schools Together:

Across central Indiana, we bring in students from 40+ K-12 schools every summer. Students come from as far away as Richmond and Crawfordsville to participate in our Summer Stock Stage programming.

In our Eclipse program, our cast represents another 10+ colleges from around the nation.

Critically Acclaimed:

Gathering many of the most talented area school-aged actors, singers, and dancers, and then coaxing the most superb performances ... is a remarkable feat. The talents of the Summer Stock Stage participants are stunning and the show is a true accomplishment.

Ken Klingenmeier | Arts Critic, A Seat on the Aisle

"As a product of educational theatre, it warms my heart that Eclipse Theatre exists, not only to provide professional opportunities of such high caliber as "Dogfight," but also to allow the public to witness the metamorphosis of young talent who represent a new generation of theatre artists. I can't think of a more fulfilling, not to mention rewarding, exchange."

Tom Alvarez | Arts Writer & Critic

Alumni network:

Our work is paying off in ways we could have never imagined. Our alumni go on to star on Broadway, tour the United States, or develop rich arts scenes in their local communities.



Hope Fennig Vocal Performance Major New York University

Eclipse allowed me to have my first professional theatre experience, and to be working with familiar friends and faces that give me happiness and comfort. The fact that I was able to be working, making money, and gaining a great resume builder, all while being able to spend the summer at home was incredible. This company gives those who choose to continue theatre a chance to grow even more in a professional environment while still being surrounded by the comforts of home.



David Lloyd Houston

Genie | Aladdin | Disney Cruise Lines Sweaty Eddit | Sister Act | Feinstein's 54 Below

Summer Stock is a gateway to opportunities. They open doors to the greatest equity theaters of Indiana, and that opens doors to work outside of Indiana. Summer Stock carries into Chicago and NYC, never letting actors feel alone no matter where they are which is something no other theatre does or really can do.

Thomas Bamforth Marketing Major Emory University

As I began performing in the arts as a means of improving my public speaking ability, I found that SSS not only expected more from me and my fellow cast members, but also helps us channel the tools we needed to succeed. The professional environment of the productions allow for an incredible end-product and influential learning experiences.



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