



SAGE ON STAGE: A CHRISTMAS CAROL Class Enrollment Information

Please read fully **BEFORE** enrolling.

PREREQUISITES

Students must have attended at least ONE Sage Studio class in the past 18 months (virtual or in-person), or be enrolled in an upcoming class, or present equivalent theatre experience. *(If presenting equivalent experience, please email a resume to education@rauecenter.org prior to registering.)*

Students should also be available for **all performance dates and tech rehearsals** (see Timeline section). To be considered for a larger speaking role, students must be available for the **full rehearsal period**; smaller roles are available for those with conflicts, but students should be available for the majority of the rehearsal period. If you have specific questions contact us at education@rauecenter.org.

NOTE: The **Thursday, December 9th performance is 10am school show.** Students will need to miss the morning and early afternoon of school to participate. Parents and students will be responsible for making the necessary arrangements with the school. **This performance is mandatory for participating students.**

All enrolled students will be part of the show! We will hold a placement audition on **Wednesday, October 13** to determine individual role assignments for those interested in solo speaking/singing lines--but if your student only wants a role without solos, just let us know by emailing us at education@rauecenter.org. Everyone will have a special part to play in this interactive theatrical experience!

Enrollment deadline is July 23 at 4 PM.

Sage On Stage - Conflicts Policy

Students must be available for all performance dates and tech rehearsals (see Important Dates section). To be considered for a larger speaking role, students must be available for the **full rehearsal period**. For **all** students, we will approve **ONE excused absence** from the regular rehearsal period; so before enrolling, please make sure you are available for the entire rehearsal period!

Tech rehearsals and performances are mandatory; no conflicts will be approved for these dates.

If you have specific questions regarding conflicts, contact us at education@rauecenter.org before enrolling your student.

HOW TO ENROLL

Due to the popularity of Sage on Stage programs and the limited number of spots, we offer multiple ways to sign up--these will go fast!

- **June 21 - In-Person Enrollment at Raue Center!**
 - Enrollment will begin at **6 PM for RaueNOW Family members**, and at **6:30 PM for the general public**. Enrollment will be open until **8 PM**, in person only--no phone calls or email inquiries will be accepted during this time.
 - You may start lining up at Raue Center at **5:30 PM**--staff will direct you where to go! You must be present when it is your turn to enroll, and must be in line before 8 PM for a chance to purchase.
 - Please note, we will only accept enrollments for students in your family (i.e., people related to you). We ask that you do not sign up friends, neighbors, etc.--but you can definitely invite them to join you that night to sign up themselves!
 - **Not a RaueNOW Family member?** We will be available for in-person signups and upgrades **starting at 5 PM**. Please note, only RaueNOW Family members are eligible to participate in early enrollment and discounts--so if you are a Basic level member, this is a great opportunity to UPGRADE and SAVE BIG!
- **If there are still available spots after the in-person enrollment ends:**
 - **June 21, 8 PM** - Enrollment opens **ONLINE** for RaueNOW Family Members
 - **June 22, 10 AM** - Enrollment opens **ONLINE and at the box office** for the general public

PLEASE NOTE: Once we reach 50 enrolled students, enrollment will close. This may happen before online enrollment is scheduled to open--please check our website and our Sage Studio Facebook for the most up-to-date information on availability.

In the event of a sellout, we will accept students for waitlist spots--to be added to that list, email us at education@rauecenter.org. Please include your name, your student's name and age, and the best email address to reach you. If a spot becomes available we will reach out to you via email--you will have 24 hours to respond before we move on to the next person on the list.

Enrollment closes July 23 at 4 PM, or when we sell out!

A Christmas Carol - IMPORTANT DATES

Placement Auditions for solo singing/speaking roles:

Wednesday, October 13, 6:30-8:30 PM. If unable to attend this date, please email education@rauecenter.org for an alternate audition. Materials will be provided.

Rehearsals:

- First rehearsal Monday, November 8
- After first rehearsal, rehearsals are held Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings (6:30-8:30 PM) November 10, 12, 15, 17, 19, 22, 24, and 29; and Saturdays (12-4 PM) November 13 and 20. There is no rehearsal on Thanksgiving weekend (Friday or Saturday), but there is our Community Cookie Party event!

Community Cookie Party:

Friday, November 26, 5-7 PM (before Crystal Lake’s downtown lighted parade)

- *This event is not mandatory, but is highly encouraged--we will be sharing holiday treats and celebrating our show! We will also hold our annual cookie contest with cash prizes for the winners--details to follow!*

Tech Rehearsals:

December 1, 2 and 3; 5-9 PM

Performance Dates & Times:

- Saturday, December 4, 2021 @ 7pm
- Sunday, December 5, 2021 @ 2pm
- Thursday, December 9, 2021 @ 10am (school show)
- Saturday, December 11, 2021 @ 2pm & 7pm
- Sunday, December 12, 2021 @ 2pm

FAQ'S

What days and times are rehearsals?

Rehearsals for *A Christmas Carol* will be held on Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays from 6:30pm to 8:30pm beginning Monday, November 8, 2021. Saturday rehearsals will be held from 12-4 pm beginning Saturday, November 13, 2021. Please see the “Important Dates” section above for full details.

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There is no rehearsal on Thanksgiving weekend (Friday or Saturday), but there is our Community Cookie Party event on Friday evening!

What is a “school show?”

The Thursday, December 9 performance is being sold as part of our Mission Imagination field trip program--meaning that hundreds of local schoolchildren will be able to take a field trip to Raue Center to view our show!

This performance takes place **during the school day** at 10 AM, so students will need to miss school to participate. Parents and students will be responsible for making the necessary arrangements with the school. **This performance is mandatory for participating students.**

What is the Community Cookie Party? Is this a mandatory event?

The Community Cookie Party was first held in 2019 as a chance for students and families to get to know one another outside of rehearsals, and to welcome the start of the holiday season--and we are so excited to start this tradition back up this year! This event is held before Crystal Lake’s downtown lighted parade, so you’ll be able to get a prime spot to view the event, as well as some delicious holiday treats!

As part of the event, we also hold a **family cookie contest** judged by Raue Center board members and community leaders--so get your best recipes ready! We will send full details on how to participate in this once the event is closer--and yes, there are prizes for the winners!

The event is private for only Christmas Carol cast, crew and families. It is not mandatory that you attend or that you participate in the cookie contest--but we hope you’ll consider making this part of your experience! It’s quickly become a fun (and delicious) part of this special event!

What restrictions are in place for in-person rehearsals?

Our COVID-19 protocols are constantly evolving based on the recommended guidelines from state and local public health authorities. At this time, masks are required at Raue Center, as well as social distancing and other sanitation protocols. While we expect these to continue to evolve as we get closer to the rehearsal period, the most current protocols are available on our website. We will continue to adapt these as the situation progresses, and hope to continue to move forward with lifting protocols when deemed appropriate.

All registered families will be required to acknowledge our safety procedures when they enroll, and will be updated as protocols change. Thank you for helping us keep everyone safe and healthy while in our space!

We have a conflict with a rehearsal date. Can we still sign up?

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Due to the short timeline, your student’s attendance is very important to their success in the production. We ask that students attend **all** rehearsals they are scheduled for unless there is an emergency.

As noted in the Conflicts Policy, we will allow one conflict during the rehearsal period. Please see our Conflicts Policy above for further information.

We’ve never taken a Sage Studio class. Can we still sign up?

Since Sage on Stage is considered a more advanced program, we ask that all registered students have attended at least ONE Sage Studio class in the past 18 months (virtual or in-person), or be enrolled in an upcoming class, or present equivalent theatre experience.

If presenting equivalent experience, please **email a resume to education@rauecenter.org** for our review. Once we approve, you are free to enroll!

How can I purchase tickets to A Christmas Carol?

Each family will receive **two complimentary tickets to the performance of their choice**. These complimentary tickets will be redeemable online only via an offer code that will be unique to your family, and will be available once tickets are on sale (date TBD).

You can purchase additional tickets through calling or visiting our Box Office during Box Office hours, or through our website at www.rauecenter.org. (NOTE: Gift certificates are only redeemable through the Box Office, not online.)

Do you offer any financial aid options?

Sage Studio is committed to making theatre education accessible to all. If you are in need of financial assistance, please reach out to us at education@rauecenter.org. We will be happy to work with you on a plan to meet your needs!

What is your refund policy?

In the event that your child cannot participate in a Sage event after you have enrolled, Raue Center will issue a refund of your registration fee **less 50%, up to two weeks before the start date**. After this time period, if your child cannot participate in the class we will refund you 50% of your total fee in the form of a **Raue Center gift certificate**, which is redeemable for any upcoming Sage class within a year of cancellation, or can be used at Raue Center for tickets, etc. (restrictions may apply).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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Please note, if your student is cast in Schoolhouse Rock LIVE! Jr., the household will receive **two complimentary tickets** for the show of your choice (some restrictions may apply). These tickets are not retroactive and will be available for redemption when tickets go on sale (date TBD), via an offer code that will be emailed to you for online use. Offer codes are good for only your family.

DISCOUNTS OFFERS:

WANT TO SAVE 25%? Sign up for a RaueNOW Family Membership! Your tax-deductible donation will give you big-ticket discounts for Raue Center events and special perks throughout the year...as well as 25% off all Sage Studio classes! RaueNOW Family Members also qualify for early enrollment!

ENROLLING MULTIPLE STUDENTS? Be sure to use the “multiple students” discounted rate to get 10% OFF! This discount is good for all students in your household, just choose the appropriate option when you add the class to your cart. RaueNOW Family members receive this discount IN ADDITION to their member discount!

GIFT CERTIFICATE? Use it! If you have credit from a canceled in-person class or event, you can redeem it for Sage classes through the box office. Call 815.356.9212 Tuesday through Friday 2 PM-4 PM.

REFUND POLICY: In the event that your child cannot participate in the class after you have registered, Raue Center will issue a **50% refund** of your registration fee **up to two weeks before the start date**. After this time period, if your child cannot participate in the class we will refund you 50% of your total fee in the form of a Raue Center **gift certificate**, redeemable for any upcoming Sage class within a year of cancellation, or can be used at Raue Center for tickets, etc. (*restrictions may apply*).

Financial aid is available for ALL Sage classes! Contact education@rauecenter.org for more information and to set up a plan that works for you!