

Performing Arts for His Glory

1/2 credit performing/fine arts

Instructor/Coach: Cheryl Damron

No prerequisites

Tuition: \$200 (Includes worksheets, skit copies, props, costumes, and set items as listed below)

Performing for His Glory begins with the truth that God is the Creator. We are creative because we are made in His image. Creativity comes in many forms so we explore various aspects of creativity as it pertains to performing arts including acting, set design, skit writing, and conveying a story.

Included in this course are the following:

- *the use of posture, voice, and how to stand when facing an audience
- *developing a character and “becoming” that character
- *exploring various types of performances including skits, improvisation, and plays
- *solo performance and working as a team (may include puppets)
- *communicating a message verbally and nonverbally; engaging an audience
- *positively giving and receiving compliments and critiques to improve our skills and characters
- *using performing arts in ministry

Supplies:

*3 ring binder, 5 dividers with pockets, notebook paper, white copy paper, pens, pencils, highlighter, (a small bottle of neon paint or poster board if we do black light skits)

*Everyday items to enhance student’s role in a skit or as a Character.

*Note: Most props, costumes, and set items are included in the course.

*Note: In lieu of textbooks, copies of skits, plays, and worksheets are generally provided by the instructor and are reflected in the tuition.

There is a difference between performing to gain attention or acceptance and the use of performing arts for His glory.

Student expectations:

*model an attitude of encouragement and kindness

*participate in class activities, rehearsals, and all performances (Note: There may be at least one community performance in addition to a performance each semester.)

*be prepared for class

Homework:

Homework will vary per week. Students will average 15-30 minutes of written homework a week plus whatever time they need to learn a part to be prepared for class and performances.

Skills gained in this course go beyond high school. Noted benefits include confidence in public speaking and oral reports, being a team player, discovery of God given talents, people skills, observational skills, appropriately giving and taking criticism and compliments, and the importance of how and what we say verbally and in our body language.

My fervent hope and prayer is that students grow in confidence and in their identity in Christ as they as they perform for His glory.