

August 1, 2009

Dear Student/Parent,

It is time to think about next year's Center Stage Singers!

Please consider auditioning for this wonderful group of singers ages 7 - 14, our only select group at Center Stage! If you are **14+ or in High School**, audition for the **Teen Vocal Ensemble**, a similar performing group for older, more advanced students. Email Tish Kilgore, Director at (tishkilgore@yahoo.com) to arrange an **appointment for an audition during August/early September, or come to the auditions on September 12th, 9:00 am at the Studio.**

We already have a **performance lined up for Saturday, October 3rd** at the Acton Octoberfest. Fall repertoire will include musical numbers from our Spring production of "One!" such as "Boogie," "Applause," "I Can Do That" and others.

In addition to our holiday repertoire, we will be performing the third weekend in December at the Littleton High School Performing Arts Center: **"Christmas Vignettes" with the Advanced Ballet Dancers** at Center Stage. Similar to last year's "Rendez-vous" (which we will do again in March), this 50 minute program will precede **"Amahl and the Night Visitors," in which you will sing in the Shepherd's Chorus.**

Since we did not get to go to NYC this past May, we will try very hard to plan a short trip this Fall, and will definitely **travel** in the Spring. Tish will also be forming a committee of students and parents to plan a **project connecting with a chorus overseas.**

Rehearsals for the CS Singers will be on Wednesdays 5:30 for dancers (come to the first rehearsal if you're interested - Michele will choose) and 6:15 to 7:15 for everyone else. **First regular rehearsal is September 30th.**

The Teen Vocal Ensemble rehearsals will overlap with Singers, Wednesdays 7:15 - 8:15. Some performances will be for this group only, others will be combined with Singers with repertoire from each group, and the two groups together. **First regular rehearsal is September 23rd, 7:15 - 8:15. We will choose a name for the group at that time.**

The Kick-off Rehearsal/Parent Meeting/Picnic for both groups will be on Saturday, September 26th from 12 - 5:00. Details coming later.

Stage Hands, Inc. will be determining the **fee for 09/10** in September, due at the Kick-off. They will be around \$350 - 400 for the year.

Thank you! Hope to see you this Fall!!!