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*Photo: Isabella Levy and Cici Flanagan participate in the 2007 Summer Theatre Conservatory at Dreamcatcher*

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## **SUMMER THEATRE CONSERVATORY NOW ENROLLING AT DREAMCATCHER**

DREAMCATCHER REPERTORY THEATRE, professional Theatre in Residence at the Baird Center in South Orange, is beginning enrollment for its Summer Theatre Conservatory, to be offered from July 7 through August 1, 2008. In this varied program, each week of the focuses on a different specialty, and classes are open to actors aged 10 to 17. Classes are held Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 pm at Dreamcatcher's home at the Baird Center, 5 Mead Street in South Orange.

The STC is an enjoyable way for students to explore their interest in the performing arts during their summer vacation. Participants can tailor the program to suit their preferences, attending the Conservatory for one, two, three or all four weeks. Professionals in their field teach all classes, and students receive individual attention, constructive feedback, and the support needed to achieve their personal goals.

Week 1, the Actors' Workshop (July 9 – 13), provides a strong foundation for any of the following sessions, focusing on the building blocks of acting: vocal and physical preparation, Acting Technique, and Scene Study. Week 2, the Musical Theatre Workshop (July 14 – 18), will include classes in Acting Technique as well as in Musical Theatre dance and singing. Week 3, Writing for the Stage (July 21 – 25), will guide young writers through the process of creating their own short play script. Week 4, STC Showcase (July 28 – August 1), will provide students with the opportunity to apply their skills in putting up a no-frills play that showcases their individual talents. Students from previous summers commented: "All the subjects that I liked were included in these weeks!" and "I learned a lot of new things that will make me a better actress." One participant raved: "It was great! I had a ton of fun!"

The cost of the program is \$200 for one week, \$360 for two weeks, \$510 for three weeks, and \$640 for all four weeks, with limited scholarships available. Admission is on a first come, first served basis until the program is filled or until the deadline of June 1, and applications for the Summer Theatre Conservatory and more information on the program may be obtained by calling Dreamcatcher's business office at 973-378-7754, ext. 2228, emailing [info@dreamcatcherrep.org](mailto:info@dreamcatcherrep.org) or may be downloaded at [www.dreamcatcherrep.org](http://www.dreamcatcherrep.org).

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