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## **BoarsHead Theater Announces Auditions for Musical Theater Conservatory**

**Lansing, MI** – BoarsHead Theater will be holding auditions for the inaugural **Young People’s Musical Theater Conservatory**, to take place in July 2008, on **Sunday, April 13 and Monday, April 14, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.** The program is designed to provide training to high school students and young adults in the areas of voice, acting and movement.

**Janine Novenske Smith**, an Equity actress and Adjunct Professor at Lansing Community College, will instruct students in voice with an emphasis on tone production, diction, projection and interpretation. Acting skills will be taught by **Chad Badgero**, Artistic Director of Peppermint Creek Theatre Company. **Karyn Perry** of Karyn’s Dance Place in Holt will build on students’ existing dance skills and focus on stage movement, choreography, flexibility, posture and breathing techniques.

The dates for the conservatory are July 7-July 26, 2008, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The third week will be Monday through Friday, with public showcase performances on Friday, July 26 and Saturday, July 27, 2008.

For auditions, interested students are asked to bring sheet music, a resume of performance experience and a headshot or picture of themselves. They should also be prepared for movement exercises. An accompanist will be provided at the auditions.

The cost of the conservatory is \$350, with some scholarship funds available. Contact Marlene Shelton, BoarsHead Theater's Managing and Education Director, for further information.

**FACT SHEET:**

**WHAT:** AUDITIONS for BoarsHead Theater's Young People's Musical Theater Conservatory

**WHEN:** Sunday, April 13 and Monday, April 14, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. on both nights

**WHO:** High School students and young adults through age 21.

**WHERE:** BoarsHead Theater, 425 S. Grand Ave., Lansing, MI 48933 (please check [www.boarshead.org](http://www.boarshead.org) for directions while downtown construction is occurring.)

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