



These 19 Institutions Are the Ivy League of Summer Camps

Stagedoor Manor Performing Arts Training Center



Children who spend hours practicing their Academy Award speeches in the bathroom mirror need look no further than Stagedoor Manor Acting Camp, located in a former resort hotel in the Catskills. The list of famous alumni is long, including Natalie Portman, Lea Michele, Robert Downey Jr., Ansel Elgort, Jon Cryer, Josh Charles, Mandy Moore, and Zack Braff. Stagedoor focuses on theater, with campers producing 14 full-scale productions in 8 indoor and outdoor theaters every three weeks. Campers share dorm rooms with twin or bunk beds and private bathrooms, and days are divided into rehearsal, classes, and recreation—including volleyball, an outdoor pool, open-mic nights, dance parties, and outdoor movies.

PRICE: \$5,895

DURATION: Three weeks, with some students attending two sessions

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