

Summer @ the Lab

Programs for Children and Teens
June 29–August 14, 2009



PARENT OPEN HOUSE
March 10, 7:00–8:00 pm

Visit the Lab and get all your questions answered!



WELCOME

Introducing Summer @ the Lab, a unique opportunity for children and teens ages 4–18 to join professional filmmakers and experience the magic of movies. One-time workshops, one-, two- and three-week camps, and summer-long programs explore animation, sound design, acting and directing, special effects, and much more. No matter what you choose, we promise you new experiences, new friends, and a finished project you will be proud of! All programs are held at the Jacob Burns Film Center’s Media Arts Lab, our brand-new state-of-the-art facility in Pleasantville, NY.

Typical Day for Campers (8–15 years)

- 9:00 Drop-off
- 9:15 Projects and production
- 10:30 Break (POPCORN!)
- 12:00 Lunch and games
- 1:00 Projects and production
- 2:30 Break
- 4:00 Pickup

Extended Day Option

Campers may be dropped off early and picked up late for an additional fee. Supervision, but no structured activities, will be available 8:00–9:00 am and 4:00–5:00 pm.

Family Fridays (for campers 8–15 years)

Families are invited to celebrate their campers’ creative accomplishments at 3:00 pm on the last Friday of each session.

SUMMER CELEBRATION! A showcase of film projects developed during the summer will be presented on Fri., Aug. 14, at 7:00 pm.

AT A GLANCE

PROGRAM	DATES	LENGTH	ID #
10 YEARS AND UNDER			
Seeing Stories (4 years)	July 14–17	4 1-hour sessions	C26SU09A
Seeing Stories (5 years)	July 14–17	4 1-hour sessions	C26SU09B
Seeing Stories (6 years)	Aug. 3–6	4 1-hour sessions	C26SU09C
Seeing Stories (7 years)	Aug. 3–6	4 1-hour sessions	C26SU09D
Lights, Camera, Action (8–10 years)	June 29–July 3	1 week	C20SU09A
KidToons (8–10 years)	July 20–31	2 weeks	C21SU09A
First Take (8–10 years)	July 6–17	2 weeks	C03SU09A
First Take (8–10 years)	Aug. 3–14	2 weeks	C03SU09B
11–13 YEARS			
Lights, Camera, Action	June 29–July 3	1 week	P20SU09A
KidToons	July 6–17	2 weeks	P21SU09A
First Take	July 20–31	2 weeks	P03SU09A
First Take	Aug. 3–14	2 weeks	P03SU09B
14–18 YEARS			
First Take (14–15 years)	July 27–Aug. 14	3 weeks	T03SU09A
First Take (16–18 years)	June 30–Aug. 13	14 evenings (T/Th)	T03SU09B
Screen Stories (14–15 years)	June 29–July 17	3 weeks	T22SU09A
Behind the Screen (14–18 years)	July 2–Aug. 13	7 evenings (Th)	T24SU09A
Behind the Screen (14–18 years)	July 20–24	1 week	T24SU09B
Acting for the Camera (16–18 years)	June 29–Aug. 10	7 evenings (M)	T10SU09A
Unscripted (16–18 years)	June 29–Aug. 12	14 evenings (M/W)	T25SU09A
Friday Night Films @ the Lab (14–18 years)	July 10 & Aug. 7	2 evenings (F)	—

SUMMER VACATION PROGRAMS

SEEING STORIES

With Master Storyteller **BILL GORDH**

In this fun-filled, imagination-rich experience, kids listen to, act out, and musically accompany stories based on world folktales. They also view short animated films in preparation for creating their own story adventures. Each program of stories and activities is designed specifically for its age group. Group size: 12

- **4 YEARS**

July 14–17
(Tues.–Fri.)
9:00–10:00 am
C26SU09A

- **5 YEARS**

July 14–17
(Tues.–Fri.)
10:30–11:30 am
C26SU09B

- **6 YEARS**

Aug. 3–6
(Mon.–Thurs.)
9:00–10:00 am
C26SU09C

- **7 YEARS**

Aug. 3–6
(Mon.–Thurs.)
10:30–11:30 am
C26SU09D

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION

Create green-screen special effects in the Sound Stage, learn about sound editing and music in the Recording Studio, begin to use editing software, and much more! You'll get to know every production space at the state-of-the-art Media Arts Lab. Group size: 10

- **8–10 YEARS**

June 29–July 3 (one week)
9:00–4:00
C20SU09A

- **11–13 YEARS**

June 29–July 3 (one week)
9:00–4:00
P20SU09A

KIDTOONS

Your ideas + Our resources = Endless possibilities! The sky's the limit with animation. Learn how animated films are made by experimenting with stop-motion using puppets, clay, cut paper, and other media. And there's more: You'll also get to record voiceovers and sound effects and choose your own score or soundtrack for the short movies you create. Group size: 10

- **8–10 YEARS**

July 20–31 (two weeks)
9:00–4:00
C21SU09A

- **11–13 YEARS**

July 6–17 (two weeks)
9:00–4:00
P21SU09A

FIRST TAKE

Have you ever dreamed of making a movie? Here's your chance to experience filmmaking from the inside out by collaboratively writing, producing, directing, and editing a short film. We provide the state-of-the-art cameras, lights, and computers. You just need to bring creativity and a willingness to work with others! You'll be amazed at what you can accomplish in two short weeks. Group size: 10

- **8–10 YEARS**

July 6–17 (two weeks)
9:00–4:00
C03SU09A

Aug. 3–14 (two weeks)
9:00–4:00
C03SU09B

- **11–13 YEARS**

July 20–31 (two weeks)
9:00–4:00
P03SU09A

Aug. 3–14 (two weeks)
9:00–4:00
P03SU09B

- **14–15 YEARS***

July 27–Aug. 14 (three weeks)
9:00–4:00
T03SU09A

- **16–18 YEARS***

June 30–Aug. 13
(7 Tuesdays/7 Thursdays)
5:00–8:00 pm
T03SU09B

Participants should commit to an additional 12 hours per week for shoots and editing.

**Participants in these in-depth programs have additional opportunities to further develop a script, polish their acting skills, and receive a comprehensive introduction to the editing software Final Cut Pro.*



SUMMER VACATION PROGRAMS

SCREEN STORIES

Are you ready to focus your creativity on filmmaking? This exceptional program gives a few dedicated individuals the chance to dig into everything the Lab has to offer. With three full weeks in our brand-new state-of-the-art facility, you'll quickly gain an unprecedented foundation in all the building blocks of film, including composition, camera movement, editing, and more. You'll make a short narrative movie, but you'll learn all about documentary and animation, too. Storytelling has never been so much fun. Group size: 10

- **14–15 YEARS**

June 29–July 17 (three weeks)
9:00–4:00
T22SU09A

BEHIND THE SCREEN

Come watch some great recent films—Hollywood blockbusters and art house sensations—in the best screening room around. With screenings, special guests, and lively discussion, this program will help you become fluent in the language of film. You'll learn to think like a movie critic! Group size: 20

- **14–18 YEARS**

July 2–Aug. 13
(7 Thursdays)
5:00–8:00 pm
T24SU09A

July 20–24 (one week)
9:00–4:00
T24SU09B



FRIDAY NIGHT FILMS @ THE LAB CONTINUES!

- **14–18 YEARS**

Kick off the weekend with good company, a movie, and informal discussion.

- **JULY 10 & AUGUST 7, 7:00 PM**

\$5 cash at the door. No registration necessary.
First come, first served.

ACTING FOR THE CAMERA

Acting for the camera has its own unique techniques. Creative exercises and activities explore the technical, emotional, and physical aspects of onscreen performance. You'll work with both contemporary and classical scripts and gain insight into the working relationship between actors and directors. Group size: 12

- **16–18 YEARS**

June 29–Aug. 10
(7 Mondays)
5:00–8:00 pm
T10SU09A

UNSCRIPTED

Learn about the craft of documentary and visual storytelling by creating an original movie about a senior citizen whose life you would like to explore. First-time filmmakers are welcome and will learn to do it all—from pre- to post-production. Group size: 10

- **16–18 YEARS**

June 29–Aug. 12
(7 Mondays/7 Wednesdays)
5:00–8:00 pm
T25SU09A

Participants should commit to an additional 12 hours per week for shoots and editing.

SUMMER VACATION PROGRAMS

Special Seminars with World-Class Filmmakers

NAMIK KABIL

Namik Kabil, JBFC's International Filmmaker-in-Residence, comes to us from Sarajevo, where he works as a writer, screenwriter, and director for TV, documentaries, and feature films. He will be in residence this summer, producing a documentary film with our college program, WORLD CREW, and teaching filmmaking classes.



BOBBY HOUSTON

Academy Award-winning director Bobby Houston (*Mighty Times: The Children's March*) explores the craft of storytelling on film, from the building blocks (character arc, reversals, exposition, endings) to the pitfalls. He will also provide problem-solving for works-in-progress and facilitate group critiques.



Programs for College Students and Adults*

WORLD CREW 2009

The unique opportunity for students to learn the craft of documentary filmmaking by working with world-renowned Bosnian director Namik Kabil. Applications are due Monday, March 16.

** Adult and family programs continue in the summer. Details to be announced!*

Check www.mediaartslab.org for details.



REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Register now!

- **MAIL** completed form(s) to:
Camp Registrar, Media Arts Lab
405 Manville Rd., Pleasantville, NY 10570
- **FAX** completed form(s) to:
Camp Registrar, 914.773.0762
- **CALL** Camp Registrar, 914.773.7663, ext. 8

Class information and forms are also available at www.mediaartslab.org

Prices

Members (Family level and above) receive a 10% discount.

- Seeing Stories: \$100/\$90 (JBFC members, Family level and above)
- One-week camps: \$650/\$585 (JBFC members, Family level and above)
- Two-week camps: \$1,300/1,170 (JBFC members, Family level and above)
- Three-week camps: \$1,950/\$1,755 (JBFC members, Family level and above)
- Evening programs for teens (one weekly session): \$380/\$342 (JBFC members, Family level and above)
- Evening programs for teens (two weekly sessions): \$750/\$675 (JBFC members, Family level and above)
- Extended-day option: Early drop-off and late pick-up are \$75/week each. (No member discount.)

To obtain discounts, join the JBFC at the Family level or above at www.burnsfilmcenter.org or 914.773.7663, ext. 6.

A \$10 registration fee is payable per person per program. This fee is waived for all JBFC members.

Payment

Payment, which is due in full at time of registration, is accepted via credit card (MasterCard, Visa, American Express) or check made payable to JACOB BURNS FILM CENTER, INC. A fee of \$25 is charged for returned checks.

Enrollment

Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. If your requested session is filled, you will be placed on a waiting list and notified if a space becomes available.

Enrollment is complete only after all fees have been paid; the completed Registration Form, a copy of the camper's current immunization record, and Scholarship Application (if applicable) have been submitted; and you have received a confirmation email.

Scholarships

Spaces are reserved in every program for participants with demonstrated financial need. We encourage everyone to seek the support that will allow them to participate in Media Arts Lab programs. Download the Scholarship Application at www.mediaartslab.org/education/scholarships-fellowships and submit it with your Registration Form.

Refunds

If a camper is asked to leave a program due to inappropriate behavior or other circumstances deemed necessary by the JBFC/Media Arts Lab, no refund will be given. If a camper chooses to withdraw and does so in writing two weeks before the first day, 100% of the program fee will be refunded but registration fee will be retained. If the JBFC/Media Arts Lab cancels a program for which the enrollment is deemed insufficient or for other administrative reasons, all fees will be refunded. No refund will be given at any other time.



Photo: Lynda Shenkman Curtis

REGISTRATION FORM

Mail: **Camp Registrar, MEDIA ARTS LAB**, 405 Manville Rd., Pleasantville, NY 10570

Fax: 914.773.0762 • Call: 914.773.7663, ext. 8

One Registration Form, full payment, and a copy of current immunization records are required for each participant. Enrollment is complete when you receive email confirmation.

Participant _____ Date of Birth _____

Parents/Guardians _____ Contact email _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip Code _____

Phone (day) _____ (evening) _____ (cell) _____

Participant Membership Number (if applicable) _____

Program	Program ID#	Price
		Early Drop-Off add \$75 per week
		Late Pickup add \$75 per week
		Registration fee \$10 per program (waived for JBFC members)
		TOTAL



Check enclosed (payable to JACOB BURNS FILM CENTER, INC.) A \$25 fee will be charged for returned checks.

MasterCard Visa American Express

Cardholder Name _____

Card Number _____ Exp. _____

Cardholder Signature (required) _____

Billing Address (if different from above) _____

City/State/Zip Code _____



Emergency Contact _____ Relationship _____

Phone (day) _____ (evening) _____ (cell) _____

Insurance Company _____ Policy Number _____

Camper's Doctor _____ Phone _____

List any physical/emotional health concerns we should be aware of (including drug/food allergies and medications taken) _____



Check here _____ if the participant is permitted to depart the Media Arts Lab independently.

Only the following people in addition to the above-listed parents/guardians are authorized to pick up the participant:

Name _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Phone _____



YES, I have read and agree to all the policies stated in this brochure _____

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

FOR INTERNAL USE	Date Received _____	Confirmed _____
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Lunch and Snacks

Campers must bring their own lunch, including a beverage. JBFC will provide popcorn for morning snack only. Activities will be held at the Media Arts Lab, though there may be an occasional visit to the JBFC Theater, just down the street. During lunch hour, groups may walk to a nearby park, with a playground and a field.

Supervision

Head instructors are accomplished filmmakers and educators. Each group will also be supervised by a trained counselor. We maintain a ratio of 1 adult to every 5 campers.

Code of Conduct

Campers are expected to maintain a positive attitude and exhibit respect for others at all times. The Media Arts Lab houses state-of-the-art production facilities and filmmaking equipment. If a JBFC/Media Arts Lab staff member deems that a camper has intentionally misused the facilities or equipment or is otherwise uncooperative, the camper will be asked to withdraw from camp and will not be permitted to register for future programs at the JBFC/Media Arts Lab.

Photographs and Publicity

Photographs, videotape, and film of JBFC/Media Arts Lab activities and programs are used for publicity and/or promotion. Those who do not want to be photographed or filmed should submit a written statement to the Registrar.



Waiver

Campers participate at their own risk and waive the right to make any claims against the Jacob Burns Film Center, Inc., and the Media Arts Lab for any injury, damage, or loss sustained while on the premises at 405 Manville Rd. and 364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville. The Jacob Burns Film Center will not be held responsible for theft, loss, or damage to campers' belongings.

Membership

Join the Jacob Burns Film Center for discounts on camp fees and other great benefits! Check www.burnsfilmcenter.org, call 914.773.7663, ext. 6, or pick up a form at the Theater.

Location

The Media Arts Lab is located at 405 Manville Rd. (at the corner of Grant St.) in Pleasantville, NY. It's centrally located, right off the Saw Mill River Parkway, and just down the street from the Jacob Burns Film Center Theater. While parking is available on local streets (subject to posted limits) we suggest you park in nearby village lots. Check www.burnsfilmcenter.org/facilities/directions-parking for directions and more parking information.

- **Arriving by Train:** The Pleasantville Metro-North station is directly across the street from the Lab. Staff is available to meet campers arriving on selected trains. Check with us for schedules. You must notify us in writing if you would like your child to be picked up at the station.
- **Arriving by Bus:** Westchester County Beeline buses #6 and #19 stop at the Pleasantville train station. Info at <http://beelinebus.westchestergov.com/timetables.htm> and 914.813.7777.
- **Pickups and Drop-offs:** Pick up and drop off students at the front entrance only. Driveway is one way. Enter from Manville Rd. and exit onto Grant St. The speed limit in the driveway is 5 miles per hour. Obey traffic signs and watch out for children!

Questions?

Contact Ann MacDonald, Education Administrator/Registrar at amacdonald@burnsfilmcenter.org or 914.773.7663, ext. 440.

MEDIA ARTS LAB / JBFC EXECUTIVE OFFICES

405 Manville Rd., Pleasantville, NY 10570 914.773.7663

THEATER

364 Manville Rd., Pleasantville, NY 10570 914.747.5555

The Media Arts Lab and Jacob Burns Film Center Theater are fully air-conditioned, smoke-free facilities.

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