



### **Music/Theatre training program**

Our artistic cross training in Music and Theatre broadens the scope of your student's artistic education and helps build the skills in their specific artistic emphasis. Much like physical strength cross training, creative cross training exercises various artistic aspects of creativity to strengthen the overall creative capacity in our artists.

From this training your student will be able to apply their skills to professional performance opportunities. Because Illuminate is a part of a larger ministry at Glory of Zion, there are many professional resources for our students to partake in. These provide opportunities for our students to showcase their technical prowess and gain high quality experiences while expressing their God given artistic giftings.

#### **Training Emphasis**

Students will continue to train in their respective fields, but we will utilize an artistic cross-training method that strengthens the overall artistic skills of our students. Students will take part in interdepartmental exercises and collaboration throughout the year. While students who were previously enrolled in piano may choose to keep their primary focus in piano, exercises in rhythm and percussion, vocal harmony and tone, and expression from dramatic arts will broaden the scope of their capabilities and provide an overall artistic benefit.

For example: Theatre students will continue their actor training but will expand their skills by training their vocal instrument. Likewise, drum and/or piano students will strengthen their awareness and concentration through theatrical exercises that teach confidence and connection between team members.

#### **Prayer and Devotion Time:**

In addition to growing in their skills and broadening their performance base, we will also take time each week for prayer, teachings, worship and discipleship. We have a desire for each student to grow in the knowledge of God and experience Him every time we come together. We believe these times will strengthen their foundation with the Lord and build a community and sense of belonging for our team.

### **A Mock Class Structure:**

In each class there will be time dedicated for all students to come together and train their vocal instrument; discover rhythm, tempo and cadences; and explore performative techniques through theatrical exercises. Students will then break off into specialized workshops where they will continue to develop and hone their specific skills as well as create and work on collaborative projects.

#### **Example Schedule:**

5:00-5:30 Vocal Warm Ups & Exercises with all Music & Theatre Students

5:30-6:00 Improv Games with all Music & Theatre Students

6:00-6:30 Prayer/Devotions/Worship/Snack

6:30-8:00 Specialized Workshops

- All Theatre Focus Students Scene Rehearsals
- All Music Students Study their Focus Instrument (Piano, Voice, or Drums)
- Band Rehearsal with Music Students
- Collaborative workshops between the departments including performance projects and rehearsals

### **Performance & Project Opportunities:**

At Glory of Zion we have a number of professional performance opportunities where students are able to express their creative gifts and technique to glorify God. Depending on the collaborative projects developed by the training program instructors, students will have access to recording studios for audio and film production and a well equipped performance stage. This past year Illuminate staff and students have been involved with ministry productions ranging from filmed dance, music, and art videos to live musical productions based on the Biblical stories of Ruth and Esther. Other opportunities include community events where students are able to experience and learn about the performative responsibilities to share their gifts and the light of the Lord with others. We want our students to have the best opportunities available to them to share the glory of God and the gifts that they are defining through training and discipline.