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BERKELEY REP OFFERS THEATRE CAMP FOR KIDS ON SPRING BREAK

WHO: Students in grades 3-5
WHAT: Spring Break Theatre Camp
WHERE: Berkeley Rep School of Theatre
2071 Addison St @ Shattuck, Downtown Berkeley
WHEN: **April 2-6 or April 9-13, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM**
HOW MUCH: \$280 (scholarships available)
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MARCH 21, 2007 – Spring break is fast approaching at local schools, but many parents are so busy working to support their kids that they can't share the vacation with them. How can you ensure that your children are having fun and staying safe while you're at work? Send them to the Tony Award-winning Berkeley Repertory Theatre! The arrival of April means that Berkeley Rep's School of Theatre is offering its annual Spring Break Theatre Camp for children in grades 3-5.

At the **Spring Break Theatre Camp**, students study acting, clowning, music, and stage combat. In addition, by participating in the popular Play Creation class, they create and perform an original play using improvisation, movement, storytelling, and written text. The five-day camp begins on Monday and ends on Friday, with structured activities from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Chaperones ensure that each day also includes snack breaks and lunchtime in the park.

This year, two sessions are being offered: the first begins April 2; the second begins April 9. Tuition is \$280, and financial-aid scholarships are available to those who qualify. The camp is held in the Berkeley Rep School of Theatre, which is located in the Nevo Education Center next door to the Theatre at 2071 Addison Street in downtown Berkeley. All instructors are drawn from Berkeley Rep's faculty of professional teaching artists.

"We are thrilled to offer spring break camp again this year," remarks **Rachel Fink**, director of the Berkeley Rep School of Theatre. "This week-long camp gives younger children the opportunity to participate in our celebrated Playmaking program and offers them a creative, playful place to shine during their spring break."

The **Berkeley Rep School of Theatre** provides a wide array of programming for individuals of all ages. In addition to classes for youth and adults, the School offers Target © Story Builders, a drama workshop for elementary-school classrooms; the Student Matinee Series for middle- and high-school students; the Playmaking Project for high-school students and incarcerated youth; in-school residencies; teacher training; and a variety of outreach activities that encourage lifelong learning. The School also hosts the Teen Council, which allows youth to participate in all aspects of the dramatic process: on stage, backstage, and in front of the stage. Housed in the Nevo Education Center, the Berkeley Rep School of Theatre is supported by the Mosse Foundation for Arts and Education.

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