

ST. JUDE'S ACADEMY OF THE ARTS

St. Jude's serves individuals who have intellectual and/or physical challenges, by integrating them with "able" peers. The program employs professionals in the area of theatre/drama, music, dance, and literacy. Through this collaboration and artistic experience, participants gain life skills, social skills, independence, and self-esteem in an inclusive environment.

WHAT OUR PROGRAMS OFFER

- ☆ St. Jude's serves adults 18 years of age and older who are intellectually and/or physically challenged.
- ☆ We provide all clients with an inclusive opportunity to interact and collaborate with able youth in a variety of artistic, academic and social activities. This provides each client with a smooth transition from the familiarity of the high school program to the world of the adult; thus illustrating our Motto which is We Can Live as One.
- ☆ The Academy's performances and retreats strengthen the relationship between intellectually and/or physically challenged individuals and their community. These retreats and performances also promote awareness and provide the opportunity for members of the community to form a positive view of those with disabilities and to appreciate their unique strengths.
- ☆ Daily physical activity is incorporated into our program to promote a healthy lifestyle.
- ☆ Our dramatic arts program provides an opportunity for self-expression and promotes self-confidence.
- ☆ Our music program allows clients to express their individual and collective vocal talents.
- ☆ Our visual arts program provides sensory stimulation and fosters the development of fine and gross motor skills.
- ☆ Clients are able to express their individuality through movement in our dance program.
- ☆ We foster the growth and development of body, mind and soul of all who attend.
- ☆ Our staff assists in the development of life skills and independence by leading classes in cooking, money management, computer skills, and facilitating group discussions.
- ☆ Participants learn literacy and math skills.
- ☆ The summer program includes weekly fieldtrips and swimming.
- ☆ Each year participants have the opportunity to perform at our You Are the Light of the World Youth Rally which invites thousands of youth to participate.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND/OR TO REGISTER, PLEASE CALL:

(416) 740-7187 MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 9:00AM TO 3:30PM

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