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**REHEARSAL STUDIO**  
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Dear Prospective Charleston Youth Company Member,

I want to thank you for your interest in CYC. It is an honor to know that you want to pursue this extracurricular activity and invest the time and energy it takes to reach for the stars. We want you to be the best that you can be! Many students are hoping, just like you, to become a member, so it is most important that you prepare well - your mind and your music. Know that the Staff of CYC love children and will do all in their power to make you comfortable and able to succeed. Yes, it is scary to you, but in reality it is a piece of cake to audition. Don't let your fears stop you from doing what you want! Please read the important information below:

**1. Selection process**-You will be notified by a phone call if you make-it and by email if you do not make-it. Selections are final. Please audition again next year if you do not make it this year. Every summer we offer a Master Dance Class and other classes. These classes are open to the public and are a great way to prepare for the upcoming Company year. They are also a great way to familiarize yourself with the CYC staff and our dance, vocal and theatrical techniques.

**2. Mandatory Parent Meeting**- **There is a mandatory FIRST PARENT MEETING for all members of all companies to get contracts and other important papers.**

**3. Financial Commitment: Year 2009-2010**

**Junior Company-** \$455 fee + sell 10 tickets to Winter Spectacular(\$150) + sell 10 tickets to Spring Gala (\$150) + sell 3 tickets to Doin' the Charleston Silent Auction(\$75)

**Senior Company -** \$420 fee + sell 15 tickets to Winter Spectacular(\$225) + sell 15 tickets to Spring Gala (\$225) + sell 3 tickets to Doin' the Charleston Silent Auction(\$75)

Options for paying fee: 1. Pay entire fee at one time 2. Pay fee in installments as listed below 3. Pay fee in installments while selling ads and soliciting donations from sponsors to earn credit toward fee.

**PAYMENT PLAN FOR JUNIOR COMPANY:**

**Due at Parent Meeting \$105** then pay: Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> \$75, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> \$75, Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> \$75, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> \$75, and March 1<sup>st</sup> \$50. Tickets must be sold or paid for by last rehearsal at warehouse before moving into theatre for that show's rehearsal. (No money will be collected from students at Sottile Theatre)

**PAYMENT PLAN FOR SENIOR COMPANY:**

**Due at Parent Meeting \$120** then pay: Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> \$75, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> \$75, Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> \$75, and Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> \$75. Tickets must be sold or paid for by last rehearsal at warehouse before moving into theatre for that show's rehearsal.

Fees may be paid using VISA credit or debit, MasterCard, personal or business checks, money orders, or cash. (Checks can be held for payment provided they are dated with the day they can be deposited and a note is attached to the check. They will not be receipted until they can be deposited and will be held in a secure

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place in the office.) A fee of \$20 will be charged for all returned checks. Students who fees are not current will not be allowed to rehearse or perform. It is the parent's responsibility to notify the Producer if you are having financial problems to work out a new payment plan.

Tuition Credits for ads and/or donations collected can be found in CYC handbook. Three weeks after the ad/donation deadline your tuition credits will be posted to your account. If you are due a refund, it will be processed at that time. You may choose to have it applied to your outstanding balance on tickets.

#### **4. Rehearsals:**

**Junior Company -**

Mondays- 5:30-7:30 p.m. beginning September 28<sup>th</sup>

**Senior Company-**

Tuesdays- 5:30-8:00 p.m. beginning September 29<sup>th</sup>

One or Two Saturdays per month -see calendar on website

**Technical Company -**

Saturdays as per calendar, Meeting times increase during show months

#### **Shows: for 2009-2010 SEASON**

**Christmas Show at Daniel Island Holiday Festival-** Saturday, December 5, 2009 (Free to public)

**Winter Spectacular 2010 –**Tuesday , Jan. 26 - Saturday, Jan. 30, 2010

(Sottile Theatre, Tickets \$15.00)

***Doin' the Charleston Silent Auction*** – Saturday, March 6, 2010

(Elks Lodge, Tickets \$25) Open to the Public advance tickets only

**Spring Gala 2010**

–Tuesday, May 18- Saturday, May 22, 2010

(Sottile Theatre Tickets \$15.00)

**Fourth of July Show at Daniel Island-** July 4, 2010 (Free to public)

## **Shows for 2010-2011 Season so far:**

**January 28-29, 2011 Winter Spectacular**

**April 15 -16, 2011 Spring Gala**

**5. Absolutely no mandatory performances or rehearsal dates will be excused unless so agreed upon at the audition by the Staff.** A copy of the CYC calendar will be available online to those who are accepted. **The 2 Saturdays before all shows are *mandatory rehearsals*.**

**6. Contracts:** The Company is a year-long performing and financial commitment. All company members and parents will sign a contract agreeing to this commitment for ONE YEAR (September-May). **CONTRACTS AND MEDICAL FORMS must be turned in at the First Student meeting.**

**7. CAST PICTURES** for our show program book will be taken for **JUNIOR Company** \_\_\_\_\_ at our rehearsal studio beginning at 5:30-6:30. Rehearsal will run until 8:00 that night!

***Senior and Technical Company will be taken on*** \_\_\_\_\_ 5:30-6:30 p.m. Rehearsal until 8:30 that night only!

Professional photographer and head of media for CYC will take all pictures and staff will meet with companies to review the handbook for the year.

**Attire for Pictures: BLACK SHIRT with no pictures or writing.** This can be a button down, plain black T-shirt or Polo.

**Girls: Lip gloss & Mascara ONLY.**

**Office staff will be on hand for parents to make payment arrangements for the year and answer any questions regarding their contracts if they were not answered at meeting.**

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