

# SUMMER COMEDY CAMP 2017



## ABOUT THE CAMP

The **National Comedy Theatre Summer Comedy Camp** is entering into our 2017 season! We're bringing laughs and building the next generation of comedians right in the heart of San Diego.

Our goal is to provide students with the necessary skills to help their individual creativity grow long after our camp ends...and, of course, have a blast in the process. Much like NCT's professional team, our group of students will quickly form an ensemble of performers, working together to develop their skills and ultimately build a quality performance that friends and family will be invited to attend at our theatre in Mission Hills.

Students, ages 13 to 17, will be able to study improv and sketch writing over the course of the two-week Camp.

At the end of the final day of camp, our students will present an original performance for friends and family that they have created during the previous two weeks. The performance will be a combination of improvised and sketch comedy.

## ABOUT THE NATIONAL COMEDY THEATRE

The National Comedy Theatre has been entertaining audiences across the country for over two decades. With locations in San Diego, New York and Phoenix, NCT has performed almost 10,000 shows during our historic and nationally acclaimed run.

With over 300 performances a year in San Diego alone, NCT ranks as one of the most successful improv theaters in the country as well as holds the distinction of being the longest running show in the history of San Diego.

In addition to our regular improvised performances, NCT has created educational programs, developed a city-wide high school league of improv performers, entertained at hundreds of schools and corporate events, and even toured for our troops stationed overseas in over a dozen countries.

## LOCATION

The National Comedy Theatre is located at 3717 India St. at the corner of Washington St. We are next door to Shakespeare's Pub, and steps from the El Indio Restaurant

# Summer Comedy Camp 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Thank you so much for your interest in the Summer Comedy Camp with National Comedy Theatre. We are extremely excited to continue into our 2017 season and are looking forward to its success. In this packet, you will find the application and forms for you to review, sign, and return to us to ensure the registration of your child. Should you have any other questions, please feel free to contact us by emailing [summer@nationalcomedy.com](mailto:summer@nationalcomedy.com).

## Class Sessions

### Teens

- Improv Camp for Teens, ages 13–17
- Two Week Program:
  - Session 1: July 17 – July 28, 2017**
  - Session 2: July 31 - August 11, 2017**
- Monday through Friday, 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM
- All Day focus on Improv and Sketch Comedy
- Tuition is \$750 for the Two Week Camp

### Improvisation:

Learn all about improv with the National Comedy Theatre!

Our students will learn the fundamentals of stagework and improvisational comedy, from character and scene development to the experience of planning and putting on a full performance open to family and friends. Students will leave Camp with better self-confidence, better skills for living “in the moment,” and a healthy participatory attitude.

### Sketch Comedy:

“What is funny and why?” We begin with this major question at the start of our the sketch writing class. Through scene study and improvisation, our students will begin to answer that question by writing and developing their own scenes focused on structure, character, and timing. Our second week focuses on our final performance through writing, rewriting and rehearsing our scenes in preparation for our invited show, in a structure very similar to professional sketch comedy shows like SNL.

## Preparation for Class

- Students should wear comfortable clothing and be ready to move. Outfits should not be distracting to other students.
- Valuables should be left at home. Gaming devices, iPads and other electronic devices are not permitted to be used during class. The National Comedy Theatre is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- Students who are staying all day should provide their own packed lunch. Please ensure that your child's lunch is clearly marked with his/her name. Campers will be permitted to leave the building to purchase lunch at one of the lunch places on the block
- There are no drinking fountains on the premises, students can purchase water or soft drinks for \$2.00.

## Pick Up/Drop Off

- All parents and guardians must complete the Transportation & Sign In/Sign Out Authorization form provided in this packet. This form is intended to provide us with the information on how your child will be getting to and from the theater each day, as well as individuals permitted to pick up your child at the end of each session.
- Morning Session Drop Off: Students should arrive between 9:15 and 9:30 AM.
- Afternoon Session Pick Up: All students must be picked up between 3:00 and 3:15 PM.
- Should your child need to leave early for any reason, parents are expected to write a note.

## Student Performance

- Parents, family, and friends are encouraged to attend the Camp's premiere performance.
- Showtimes for Student Performance are Friday, July 28 and Friday, August 11th at 1:00 PM

## Behavior Policy

- While we will certainly be working in a fun and relaxed environment, the National Comedy Theatre expects all students to be on their best behavior.
- If, at any point during the class, the instructor finds that a student is being highly disruptive in any way, or endangering the other students in the class, the instructor may require that the student leave the class for the remainder of the day. If such an event occurs, a parent or guardian will be contacted and the student may not return to the class until they have spoken with one of our Camp staff members.
- Students may not drink alcohol, smoke, or use any other controlled substances without a prescription while on the premises.

# Contact Information

**Email:** [summer@nationalcomedy.com](mailto:summer@nationalcomedy.com)

**Phone:** 619-295-4999

**Website:** [www.nationalcomedy.com/summer](http://www.nationalcomedy.com/summer)

## **Mailing Address:**

NCT Summer Comedy Camp

3717 India St.

San Diego, CA 92103

The completed Summer Comedy Camp Application can be emailed or mailed to the above addresses. The form is fillable and email-able, so you can save a stamp.

# Staff

## **National Comedy Theatre**

Gary Kramer, Artistic Director

Casey Gardner, Camp Staff

Steve Hohman, Camp Staff

Anna Daily, Program Coordinator

# Summer Comedy Camp 2017 APPLICATION

## Contact Information

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

Camp Session (choose one):     July 17- July28    or     July 31-August 11

Parent/Guardian's name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Phone (Work/Cell/Home): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardians's Email \_\_\_\_\_

## PAYMENT

### Credit Card Payment

Type of Card:     Visa/Mastercard     Discover     American Express

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Month/Year: \_\_\_\_\_ CV Code: \_\_\_\_\_

### Check Payment

Check #: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Payment must accompany Camp Application.

#### Agreement:

1. The National Comedy Theatre reserves the right to deny an individual's application.
2. No NCT student may imply or claim that they are or were a member of the NCT professional company.
3. I understand that participation in the NCT Summer Comedy Camp does not guarantee nor imply that I will be hired by NCT in the future.
4. Tuition is non-refundable
5. Signature below shall indicate that the student has read and agrees to comply with all terms and conditions.

# Emergency Waiver/Medical Forms for Minors

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

## Daytime Contacts for Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

National Comedy Theatre is given permission to contact the following in cases of emergency and to release my child(dren) to their custody should Parent or Guardian not be available during Camp hours.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

## Medical Information

Daily Medications: \_\_\_\_\_ For: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Ongoing medical or special health needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child have any conditions that could affect his/her work? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, there are recommended methods or techniques that would be useful for helping your child succeed?

NOTE: NCT staff members will only dispense medications with written permission from a parent or guardian.

## Physician

Physician Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Hospital Reference: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: In case of emergency, Camp Staff will call paramedics.

Health Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Insured: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy Number: \_\_\_\_\_

# Transportation Information Form

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

How will your child get to Camp each day?

Public Transportation

Parent/Guardian Drop Off and Pick Up

**NOTE: Students will be required to sign in and out each day.**

• If your child is to be dropped off/picked up each day, please complete the remainder of the form to inform NCT of any person(s) authorized to sign your child in and out.

• If your child will be arriving via public transportation, simply sign the bottom, authorizing your child to sign him/herself in and out.

Authorization List:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

If my child is to go home with someone who is not on the list, I understand that I must send a note. I will ensure that one of the instructors receives this note upon check in that day.



# Image Release Form

By signing this form, I \_\_\_\_\_, as the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ ("my child"), hereby give permission to the National Comedy Theatre ("NCT") to shoot photographs, video, and film of my child. I also authorize such photography by outside news media as arranged for by the NCT. I acknowledge that any images taken of my child will become the permanent property of NCT, and of the reporting news organization. By signing this, I forfeit all claims to these images and acknowledge that NCT, and the reporting news organizations reserve all rights to use, publish, copy, display, distribute and broadcast these photos, and to use the likeness, the name, and the words of my child in any/all print, electronic or digital media at any time. I understand that I will not be compensated in any way for such use.

# Liability Release

**NOTE: Read this form very carefully. Please be aware that in registering your child for any of our programs you will be waiving and releasing all claims for injuries or damages you or your child may sustain through participation in this program.**

As a parent of a minor participant, I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury associated with participation in this program, and I agree to assume the full risk for any injuries, damages or loss which may be sustained as a result of my minor child's participation in the program as against the National Comedy Theatre, its officers, agents, servants and employees. I do hereby fully release and discharge the National Comedy Theatre and its officers, agents, servants and employees from any and all claims from injuries, damages or loss that may have or which may accrue to my minor child or me on account of my minor child's participation in the program. I further agree to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the National Comedy Theatre and its officers, agents, servants and employees from any and all claims resulting from injuries, damages and losses sustained by my minor child or me and arising out of connection with or in any way associated with the activities of the program (or with my minor child's participation in the activities of the program). I have read and fully understand details provided to me and the Release and Hold Harmless Agreement. It is mutually understood that the digital registration document (including waiver and release of all claims) shall substitute for and have the same legal effect as the original form.

Parent/Guardian Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Parent/Guardian's Name : \_\_\_\_\_

Print Student's Name : \_\_\_\_\_