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SSITP celebrates the 17th Kids Doing Shakespeare (KIDS) program with "summer slide/COVID-catch up" Lowest price of the year- \$100- until Valentine's Day



Above, John Bromka, plays for and teaches KIDS 2020 students about Renaissance music. Everyone was masked and socially distanced for KIDS 2020 and *all were safe and COVID-free, including the audience on Friday.* Photo by François James, 2020

Syracuse Shakespeare-In-The-Park is accepting applications for its 2021 theatre intensive entitled, Kids Doing Shakespeare, (KIDS), July 12th through 16th, 2021, 10 am to 3 pm daily, for students entering grades 5 through 12. Rookies and returning students will be taught together in and around Thornden Park's Carriage House in cooperation with the Syracuse Parks, Recreation & Youth Programs Dept. and the support of B&C Storage and the Syracuse Teachers Association.

For the first time we are adding a "summer slide/COVID-catch up" component. Each student will select a non-fiction book and develop hands-on, fun ways of exploring, understanding and presenting it to others with the guidance of our teachers. Each student meets with a **KIDS** teacher every two weeks, four sessions in all, until the Friday before Labor Day.

This exciting programming mix of speaking skills, stage techniques, costume design, set painting and Renaissance music & dance usually sells out quickly so don't delay... the class is limited to 12 students to ensure social distancing needs. All students will perform some part of the chosen scene, as a culminating activity, on the last Friday of our intensive (but fun) theatre week. The scene(s) will be selected from our 2020 main stage production of *Comedy of Errors*.

Applications are available online @ ssitp.org Payment may be made by check to SSITP or through the SSITP TicketLeap page at ticketleap.com Call/text 315-395-0691 for more information/an application/questions Email Ronnie Bell @ bell444@gmail.com