



**Newbury Elementary School  
Night of Stars  
January 29, 2017**

**FAQ's**

**When is the performance?**

The performance will take place on Sunday, January 29 from approximately 4-6 PM (exact time depends on the number of performances). Performers would need to arrive at approximately 2:45 PM that day to prepare (time may be subject to change).

**Is there a dress rehearsal?**

Yes, there is a dress rehearsal scheduled for Wednesday, January 25 from 4-7 PM. Performers would only need to be there for half the time (either 4-5:30 or 5:30-7), depending on the line up of acts. Adult supervision is required during the dress rehearsal. Please bring reading materials or quiet games to keep performers occupied while waiting.

**When does the sign up end?**

The deadline for signing up is Friday, January 6, 2016. Please sign up on Sign Up Genius before then. To find the sign up, click the link at [www.nesgrows.com](http://www.nesgrows.com) or go to Sign Up Genius directly at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4dafa72aa6fc1-nesanight>.

**Are there auditions?**

Yes, there will be auditions. Auditions are to ensure appropriate content only. There will be no judging at this event - just fun entertainment! Performers should wear their costume to the auditions. Sign up for an audition on SignUpGenius at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4dafa72aa6fc1-audition>.

**When are the auditions?**

Auditions take place Wednesday, January 11 from 3:30-5 PM and Thursday, January 12 from 6:15-7:45 PM. Adult supervision is required during the audition. Sign up for one ½ hour time slot at the link above.

**What happens during the audition?**

Performers remain outside the auditorium until their time slot begins. During the audition, the group of performers enters the auditorium with their accompanying adults and remain quietly in their seat until their name or group is called. Please be respectful of other performers during their time on stage and be quiet and supportive. We want to provide a positive environment to enable individuals to give their best performance.

**What do I do if my child gets stage fright?**

If your performer becomes upset during the audition or the show, first let the adults on stage handle the situation. We recommend that parents wait before stepping in. If your child signs up but does not want to perform, as may happen, not to worry but please just let us know as soon as possible if your child won't be doing the show.

**What happens if a performer cannot make one of the audition days?**

Performers may submit a video of their performance instead of attending a live audition. Video a short 20-30 second clip and email it to Sally Milliken at [MillDoo@comcast.net](mailto:MillDoo@comcast.net) or upload the video to Dropbox and email the link to the same address. Contact Sally to confirm it has been received or if you have any questions.

**How do I sign up for an audition?**

Sign up for an audition on Sign Up Genius at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e48a5a62aa13-audition/>

**Should performers wear their costume to the audition?**

Yes, please do.

**Are performers responsible for their own music?**

Yes, if an act requires accompanying music, bring it on an iPhone (or similar) to the audition, ready to go, OR email it to Michael Gatzios as soon as possible at [michael@cinesounds.com](mailto:michael@cinesounds.com). Music must be emailed to Michael by Friday, January 20 to be ready for the dress rehearsal. Contact Michael directly if you have any questions about music.

**Is there a time limit for each performance?**

Yes, each performance may be at most 3 minutes long.

**Does it cost anything to participate?**

No, there is not cost to participate.

**Who can participate?**

Performers may be current students, staff, and families at NES. Performances may be singing, dancing, playing, juggling, reciting a poem, or anything at all. Acts may be group or solo acts. In addition to performers, we are also looking for emcees/hosts - auditions will be necessary for this position as well.

**What is the emcee/host position?**

We are looking for students who would be willing to be on stage between each act and introduce each act as well as tell a few jokes. Please sign up at:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4dafa72aa6fc1-nesanight>

**Can a performer participate in more than one act?**

Yes, anyone can participate in more than act but only one solo act per person please.

**What if my child wants to participate in the show but doesn't have an act idea?**

He or she is welcome to sign up for the NES GROWS act on the audition sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4dafa72aa6fc1-nesanight>. This act will be the last act of the show and all ages are welcome to join the adults and other children on the stage. Someone will be in touch about practicing for this act.

**Will there be any opportunities to practice on the stage?**

Yes, Open Stage sessions will take place on Wednesday, January 18 from 3:30-5 PM and Friday, January 20 from 3:30-5 PM. These are completely optional times for performers to use the stage to practice (please bring your own music on these days.)

Sign up for 15-minute time slots on SignUpGenius to reserve your slot

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4dafa72aa6fc1-audition>.

**When will tickets go on sale?**

Tickets will go on sale beginning in January.

**Can my performer watch the show?**

We will be reserving some seats by the auditorium side door for performers to watch the show while they are not on stage – this way it will be easy for them to access the green room with fewer disruptions. Performers may also remain in the Green Room during the show. If you would like for your performer to sit in a seat near you, please purchase a seat for them to sit in. Please inform the adult in charge if you leave the Green Room with your child.

**How much will tickets cost?**

Tickets will cost \$10 per person for general admission and \$25 per person for the first 2 rows of the theater.

**Do you still need volunteers?**

Yes! Please sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4dafa72aa6fc1-anight>

or contact Sally Milliken at [MillDoo@comcast.net](mailto:MillDoo@comcast.net) to find out more.

**Will there be a Night of Stars program?**

Yes, we will have a program and advertisements and parent/family ads will be accepted. Please go to NESGROWS website [www.nesgrows.com](http://www.nesgrows.com) or contact Krista Yablin at [yablin@comcast.net](mailto:yablin@comcast.net) for more information.

**Will you be selling items during the performances?**

Yes, we plan to sell items such as bake sale items and snacks before and after the performance.

**Where does the money that you are raising go?**

All funds from advertisements and ticket sales will go towards the NES schoolyard as we continue to enhance the outdoor spaces for play and learning. For more information go to [www.nesgrows.com](http://www.nesgrows.com) or contact [nesgrows@gmail.com](mailto:nesgrows@gmail.com).