

Advanced Theater 3 - NLD 2026-2027

Class Duration: Year-Long **Credits:** 1 High School credit

This is a FOLLOW UP CLASS to Theater Arts 1 & Theater Arts 2. You MUST have taken both these classes in order to attend. Plus, have been in at least two NLD Shows/showcases. This class will explore leadership training, creativity and autonomy in a Theatrical Production, an extensive study in Theatrical History, and so much more. Students will have more time in class to explore the above, as well as, Coffee House rehearsal time.

<u>Class Projects + Include:</u>	Producing TA1 Fall show/performance, "Tour of Coffee Houses", theatrical works: potentially short film, poetry, song, play writing, etc. . .
<u>Meeting Day/Times:</u>	Fridays 12:00-2:30 Bridge Life Church 8210 Stephanie Dr.
<u>Ages offered:</u>	14 yr. - 18 yr. (up to January 1, 2027)
<u>Min/Max</u>	4/16 students
<u>Prerequisites:</u>	TA1 & TA2 + two NLD Show/showcases
<u>Intensity Level:</u>	Light - Medium!
<u>Average # Hrs/wee</u>	2-4 projects, class assignments, show prep, etc... <u>Rehearsal time is in addition to this.</u>
<u>Rehearsal times:</u>	Fri 2:30-5:00 (Potentially Mondays TBD and/or Thursdays 6:15-8:15)
<u>Mandatory Parents Meetings:</u>	August 28, 2026 @ 5:00 & January 22, 2027 @ 5:00

We will also have at least one fundraiser. TBD

Instructor Biography:

Hello everyone! My name is Pamela Russo and I am the founder and director of New Life Dramatics. I am so excited about the potential of teaching your student!! My Bachelor's degree is in History, with a former Secondary Education Credential in Social Studies through the states of California, Arizona, and New Hampshire. Alternative education with my spunky alternative students, as well as Special Education with my sweet autistic students, enveloped most of my public education years.

I taught for nine years with my own kiddos, and in my fourth year teaching with NLD. I've been on the stage since three years old, both in ministry and secular venues, and have written and directed various skits, programs, and productions. I have directed the following Shows for NLD; ***Christmas Reader's Theater '22, STEM Fine Arts Spring Showcase '23, Anne of Green Gables & Pride & Prejudice '23, A Night in the 40s '24, The Road to Excellence '24, The Prayer Vigil for Josie Malone '25, Little Women '25, and A Pirates Night for Me '26.***

Locally, my family is involved in *IMP community theater*, where I just Assistant Directed “The Prince of Egypt”. I served for four years on the *Grissom High School Theater/Musical Board*. Our family has been involved with *five Grissom Musicals* and several *Theater/Choir* events. I have partnered with *Around The Curtain Children's Theater (ATC)*, where I was Parent Producer for *Little Shop of Horrors*.

<u>Advanced Theater Fees/Cost:</u>	<u>DUE Dates & additional information:</u>
Class Fee: \$475/year (paid @ registration through Ludus)	OR \$260 @ registration & \$260 by December 1, 2026
Payment plans available	Approved by the NLD Board
1-TIME Copy fee per STUDENT 1 -TIME Workbook fee	\$15 paid @ registration \$25 paid @ registration
1-TIME Facility fee per FAMILY	\$50 paid @ registration this fee can be raised through sponsorship of NLD
Other Materials - Required	Blank journal, class folder, spiral notebook, clipboard, potential costumes, show needs from home or purchase
SHOW PARTICIPATION - CAST	FUNDRAISER - TBD
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OPTIONAL FEES:	
Field Trips & Game Nights	TBD (low cost)
Thespian Troupe Membership	\$35 (one time); \$TBD yearly dues (\$35-45)
Thespian Festival - February TBD (Overnight in Bham)	\$150 (approximate Student fee) \$95 (approximate Adult fee)

NOTE: The Cast & Crew fees for shows, whether paid OR raised through sponsorship covers: Costumes, sets, venue rental, tech needs, licensing/insurance, scripts, publicity, programs, hair/makeup, rehearsal space rental, director stipends, cast meals, cast/crew tee shirts, and more. **Any questions, please email Pamela Russo @**[**NLDclasses2camps@gmail.com**](mailto:NLDclasses2camps@gmail.com).
CHECK OUT NLD's WEBSITE @ [**newlifedramatics.com**](http://newlifedramatics.com).