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## **Ward off Winter Break Boredom with Winter Wonderland Camp At Emerald City Theatre School**

**CHICAGO** – Kids can enroll in two different weeklong Winter Wonderland Camp sessions over the holidays this year for children ages three and a half through ten. Camp at the Emerald City Theatre School is a family favorite throughout Chicago, but you don't have to wait till summer.

Campers will explore different characters and environments of the holiday season through acting, music, dance, storytelling, crafts and more. Each session ends with an invitation to family, friends and relatives visiting for the holiday for a final presentation on the last day of camp. Limited spaces available. Register today!

This year's Winter Wonderland Musical Camp has two sessions and families can register for one or both.

**Two sessions:** December 26-30, 2011 and January 2-6, 2012.

**For Ages 3.5-5** - Half Day AM Camps, Monday-Friday, 9-12pm

**Cost:** \$225

**Location:** Emerald City Theatre School, 2933 N. Southport Ave, Chicago, IL 60657

Final presentation on the last day for family and friends.

**For Ages 6-10**- Full Day Camps Available from 9:00-3:00

**Cost:** \$450

**Location:** TBD

Final presentation on the last day for family and friends.

To register call 773-529-2690 or visit [www.EmeraldCityTheatre.com](http://www.EmeraldCityTheatre.com).

Named the "Best Theatre Camp for Kids" by Chicago Magazine, The Emerald City Theatre School provides children with world-class training that focuses on important life skills to creatively face the world. The Theatre School offers diverse programming for ages 3.5 to 13. Classes are offered in Fall and Spring and Birthday Parties are available all year round. Summer Camp (on sale January 3, 2012) occurs June through August every summer. Emerald City also creates unique After School programs, In-School Residencies, and Teacher Professional Development for schools in the Chicagoland area. School partners include: Alcott Elementary, Nettelhorst Elementary School, and Lycee Francais Chicago.

**Emerald City Theatre – Winter Camp**

### **About Emerald City Theatre**

Named the 2009 and 2010 Nickelodeon Parents' Pick Award for Best Theater Group for Kids, Emerald City serves as a Child's Gateway to the Arts, inspiring early learners through play. Emerald City Theatre is one of Chicago's most attended non-profit theaters with an annual attendance of nearly 70,000 between its performance home at Apollo Theater and regional tours. Emerald City is proud to be the home of 28 world premiere productions. Emerald City employs nearly 100 of Chicago's top artistic and teaching talent to bring magical, interactive productions, and programs that entertain children and their grown-ups in all parts of Chicagoland. The company's year-round programming includes live productions at the Apollo Theater and other venues, theatre class offerings, summer theatre camps, an extensive touring program, and literacy initiatives.

Emerald City continues to expand its artistic and institutional boundaries under the guidance of Executive Director Karen Cardarelli, Producing Artistic Director Ernie Nolan, and a twenty-member Board of Directors. Emerald City is a non-profit company, supported by Beermann Swerdlove, Chicago Community Trust, City Arts, Deloitte, Illinois Arts Council, Katten, KPMG, BeechTree Partners, La Rabida Children's Hospital, The MacArthur Fund for the Arts and Culture, National Endowment for the Arts, Winston & Strawn, and the City of Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs.

Emerald City's performance home is the Apollo Theater, located at 2540 N. Lincoln Ave in Lincoln Park. Subscriptions are on sale now for the 2011-2012 Season. Four Ticket Subscriptions begin at \$43 for children and \$55 for adults. Single tickets for 2011-2012 go on sale in July 2011; prices begin at \$16 for adults and \$13 for children. A limited number of \$10 tickets are available for each performance. Subscriptions can be purchased online at [www.emeraldcitytheatre.com](http://www.emeraldcitytheatre.com) or by calling the Administrative Office at 773-529-2690. Single tickets can be purchased online or by calling the Apollo Theater Box Office at 773-935-6100.

The 2011-2012 Mainstage Season includes *If You Give a Cat a Cupcake*; *Junie B. Jones in Jingle Bells*, *Batman Smells*; *Snow White*; and *Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day*. Don't miss the opening of the Emerald City Playhouse, a performance space for the very young, with the world premier of *Goodnight Gorilla* in May 2012.

For more information, visit [www.emeraldcitytheatre.com](http://www.emeraldcitytheatre.com)  
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