



## WHAT WE OFFER

### The Programs

Valkyrie Theatre Company's School Partnership Program offers in-school and after-school theatre programs for elementary, middle and high schools in all the school districts in the Sacramento area. Programs work toward either a final presentation or a fully produced play or musical.

### In School Programs

In school programs are sessions that are held during the school day as part of the curriculum. These programs are designed to follow common core standards of arts education. Our teaching artists collaborate with school staff to create lesson and performance plans. The programs can result in a small showing, a full play or a musical performance.

### After School Programs

After school programs can run from 3 to 8 months. A production team is provided to rehearse, produce and perform a play. Students can also choose to take the roles of backstage, technical, directing and design assistants. Parents are given the opportunity to get involved as volunteers with set building or backstage and technical assistance.

**"It's what you learn along the journey that counts!"**

Valkyrie Theatre Company aims to bring a high standard of education to the community, empowering children through the fun craft of theatre arts, teaching them the values of teamwork, respect, and self-esteem. We believe the journey is just as important as the destination and every student's personal growth should be fostered along the way.



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# SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP



No Artist Left Behind

QUALITY THEATRE EDUCATION



## Who We Are

VTC is founded by Alison Gilbreath and Jenny Connors who have a combined 50 years of experience in Theatre Arts. Both are trained theatre artists and skilled in performance, teaching, directing, writing, and producing. They are joined by Lisa Dillon who was an Education Program Manager for Sacramento Theatre Company working with the STC conservatory program and School Partnership Program. She is continuing this work for Valkyrie Theatre as the Director of Education.

VTC focuses on creating cutting-edge works and arts education for everyone. We teach theatre arts while implementing our core values. No student is lost on stage. We allow each student to individually grow their special strengths and learn the art of performance in a fun and safe environment.

### Mission Statement

Valkyrie Theatre Company aims to provide a creative, nurturing haven through its seven core values and solid foundation of integrity and respect for each other and the craft to create innovative and inspiring work held to the highest standards of theatrical art.

### Vision Statement

Valkyrie Theatre Company's vision is to be a valuable and highly-respected asset to its community through premier theatrical-works, a high standard of education, and benefiting the community with empowering opportunities.

### Core Values

- Courage
- Kindness
- Responsibility
- Altruism
- Respect
- Compassion
- Integrity

Theatre teaches essential soft skills that foster empathy and effective interactions with others, aiding in human development regardless of the career path one chooses to pursue.

Students who partake in Theatre Education have demonstrated improvement in the following areas:

Social and self-awareness, interpersonal, decision-making & self-management skills, empathetic, supportive & respectful peer relationships, sustained focus & concentration, positive communication & commitment to group activities.

High quality instruction is offered. Our teaching artists are trained on:

Encouraging active learning, literacy development, meeting the needs of diverse learners, creating a sense of community, fostering student engagement & collaboration.



## Keys of a Successful School Partnership

Every school has different educational needs and budgets. Valkyrie has found that the key to a successful partnership is to tailor to the needs of the school site. Programs are creatively designed to meet these needs by professional and experienced Theatre Educators.

## Diversity and Inclusion

Valkyrie is committed to aim for change within arts education and culture - making the sector more equitable, diverse, and inclusive. We work to create a safe creative space for every young performer by staffing arts practitioners who represent our core values and by prioritizing the child.