

**GONNA SING and DANCE 2023**  
**Wednesdays, February 1 - March 22**  
**4:00pm - 5:00pm**

Welcome Parents and Participants to GONNA SING and DANCE classes. This workshop is constructed specifically for Kindergarten - Second Grade children (average age 5-8 years of age).

Parents, we will require you to sign your child in and out of each session. ASP enrollees will follow the same "sign-in/sign-out" procedure as always.

Participants should bring comfortable clothes that allow for stretching and movement (sometimes on the floor), closed-toe shoes and socks and their own water bottle (with a name written on it to avoid confusion.)

Participants should be on time to every class, every minute counts! Even if it looks like we are just having a fun wild time, we are learning. If you are going to miss a class, please let us know via phone message 951-659-2638 or email ([leo@idyllwildcommunitycenter.org](mailto:leo@idyllwildcommunitycenter.org)).

We will be working on three songs from THE LION KING. We will begin with theater games to achieve "character work". We will sing, focusing on rhythm and annunciation. We will learn to dance, focusing on coordination and movement. We will also practice the element of being quiet in between our numbers. *By the end of our 8 weeks, you will be ready to hear anything else but the songs your child is going to practice singing and dancing around you, but please encourage them to practice, to repeat (and repeat and repeat). The more they are confident with the information and instruction on their own, the more confident they will be to present it proudly to everyone.* We will use some of our time to talk about theatrical elements and to craft/fit our animal costumes (simple paper plate lion masks and braided yarn lion tails to wear with their street clothes, no make-up.)

Parents, you are always invited to check in with us before and after practice but we find that children tend to be freer and more expressive when their parents aren't watching the rehearsals (*but listening from the lobby doesn't hurt*). Cost: \$15 per Student, Per Day. (8 sessions x \$15 = \$120)

**Staff:**

Mr. Leo (Rodriguez), graduate of California State University, Hayward, has been a children's theater educator since 1989, working with all ages from kindergarten through 12th grade (and even college "kids"). Besides his own theatrical endeavors as a playwright, producer, director and performer, Mr. Leo has always supported enrichment of youth via theater, theater camps and school performances by lending his talents as an educator. He has worked with Musical Theatre Works (SF), Missoula (MT) Traveling Children's Theater, UCamps Overnight Camp. Mr. Leo is now the Director of Children's Programming for ICC and excited to bring new workshops and classes to the community.

Ms. Melanie (Johnson) is a local performer and actress. Ms. "Mel" has also been an ICC After School Program and Camp leader. Some of her theatrical credits are "Charley's Aunt", "Beauty and the Beast", "The Wizard of Oz", "Jungle Book", "Mulan" as well as community theater.

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