

## Senior Troupe Performer Badge

In this badge you will find out what goes into putting on a show. When you have completed this badge, you'll know how to organize and put together a performance.

1. First you are going to what kind of performance you want to create
  - a. Will you have a performance that uses just words?
    - Poetry
    - Story Telling
    - Spoken Word
    - Play
    - Improve
  - b. Will you have a performance that uses music?
    - Dance
    - Musical Theater
    - Song and dance variety show
  - c. Watch three shows and be the critic
    - Write a short review of each show to help you figure out what inspires you about your upcoming performance and what doesn't.
    - Use the score sheet attached to assist you as you review the shows.
2. Find and develop your material.
  - a. What do you need for you show? A script? Dance Moves? A song? Be aware of Copyright laws. Learn about them below.
    - Script: The written text of a play, movie or broadcast.
    - Copyright: Protects the rights of authors and artists.
    - Royalty: The money authors or artists earn by allowing others to perform their work.
    - Public Domain: The means the material can be performed without permission.
  - b. Give old material a new twist.
    - Choose an existing fairy tale, then tell the story from the viewpoint of one of the secondary characters. (be sure the material is public domain)
    - Add a new song, dance or new character to the fairy tale.
  - c. Select your cast for your fairy tale
    - Cast roles includes: characters, prop master, stagehands, sound technicians, light pros and more.
    - Consider more than one performance so everyone can try more than one role. Each performance will be unique as everyone has different talents.
3. Now it is time to rehearse.
  - a. You will need to rehearse more than once
    - Make a schedule that works for your cast members for rehearsals.

- b. Get behind the scenes.
          - Make sure your stage crew is ready for scene changes and spot lighting.
          - Have clue cards (a printed card with upcoming lines or directions) ready
4. Do a dress rehearsal with your cast and crew.
  - a. Make any necessary edit or cast changes during this time.
    - Do you need to change people around?
    - Do they fit better in another role?
    - Are there any words or actions that need to be changed.
  - b. Make a video trailer or radio commercial for your show
    - Share via you tube or other social media network
    - Provide a release date
    - Provide the viewing options
5. Now it's time to put on your show
  - a. Do a live performance
  - b. Video tape the performance
    - Send the video to troop members, family and friends.
    - Post on youtube or other social media network