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Syracuse Children's Theatre Receives Local Grant from The Central New York Community Foundation

(Syracuse, NY) – Syracuse Children's Theatre received \$23,105 from The Central New York Community Foundation to update its vocal amplification system to enhance student performances. Syracuse Children's Theatre (SCT) will use the grant to fund 20 new microphones, and other necessary sound equipment. The new sound system is set to be in place by Spring 2016, for shows Cats, Disney's High School Musical 2, Jr., and Aristocats, Kids.



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"We at SCT are extremely appreciative of this generous grant from the Central New York Community Foundation, as it directly enhances the quality of our student's performances in a very positive way. Audiences will notice a marked difference in the sound quality and the overall quality of SCT's performances due to this grant."

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Todd Ellis, Executive Director

About the Central New York Community Foundation

Established in 1927, the Central New York Community Foundation encourages local philanthropy by supporting the growth of permanent charitable endowments for the betterment of the region. The Community Foundation is the largest charitable foundation in the region with assets of nearly \$190 million. It awarded \$9.9 million in grants last year to nonprofit organizations and since its inception has invested more than \$135 million in the community. The Community Foundation serves as the steward of charitable legacies for individuals, families and businesses through the administration of nearly 700 funds. The organization also serves as a civic leader, convener and sponsor of special initiatives designed to strengthen local nonprofits and address the region's most pressing challenges.

About Syracuse Children's Theatre

Syracuse Children's Theatre is a 501(c) (3) not-for-profit organization that has been a theatrical training ground for the children of Central New York since 1999. Each year, SCT provides semester-long classes and one and two week school break camps throughout the year, all of which culminate in a production at the Civic Center - Carrier Theatre. Through SCT's instruction and performance, students in Pre-K through Grade 12 learn the fundamentals of theatre: audition preparation, dance/movement, music, scene work, and more. Productions engage all children and allow them to develop their theatrical talents as well as social, emotional, and academic skills. The mission of Syracuse Children's Theatre is to provide cultural enrichment to the children of Central New York through enjoyable, exciting, and enlightening theatrical experiences."

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