

# CLARK YOUTH THEATRE *presents* THE PENGUIN PROJECT<sup>®</sup> 2020

## What is The Penguin Project<sup>®</sup>?

The Penguin Project<sup>®</sup> provides an opportunity for children with disabilities to develop creative skills related to the theatre arts. Every year this magical and touching celebration of the human spirit unfolds in East Peoria, IL as these children perform a well-known musical. Now it the fifth year, Clark Youth Theatre brings this wonderful production back to the Tulsa community.

For its fifth annual production, Clark Youth Theatre will perform *Lion King Jr.* with book by Roger Allers and Irene Mecchi, and Music and Lyrics by Elton John and Tim Rice. Performances are scheduled for February 14 & 15, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. and on February 16, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. All performances will be held at Cascia Hall Performing Arts Center.

## Participants:

### *Young Artists with Disabilities*

Clark Youth Theatre is seeking young artists ages 8-22 for The Penguin Project<sup>®</sup>. The program includes children with cognitive, learning, motor, hearing and visual impairments; genetic disorders; and neurological conditions. There are no restrictions based on the level of cognitive ability, restriction of mobility, or lack of communication skills.

### *Peer Mentors*

Clark Youth Theatre is seeking volunteers interested in participating in The Penguin Project<sup>®</sup> as mentors. The Penguin Project<sup>®</sup> utilizes a "peer mentor" system, linking each young artist with an age-level peer who does not have a disability. The peer mentors work side-by-side with their partners, assisting them through the entire rehearsal process and onstage. They are onstage during the production, costumed to match or compliment their partners.

### *Community Partners:*

Clark Youth Theatre has partnered with Cascia Hall Preparatory School and various local agencies to make this year's event special, but we need additional support to continue to bring this project to our community for years to come! Please contact the Clark office for more information about becoming a supporter.

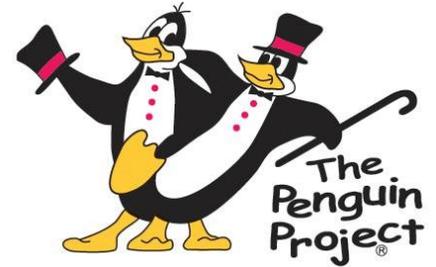
### *FAQ:*

Is there a fee to participate in the Penguin Project?

- No. Participation is free for both Artists and Mentors.

When do rehearsals start?

- Peer Mentors have a training session on Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm to learn how to work with their Artist.
- Rehearsals for everyone begin on Monday, October 21<sup>nd</sup> at Clark Youth Theatre. Rehearsals are held once a week for the first month and then additional rehearsal days are added each month.



## Informational Meetings

September 8 at 2pm

September 21 at 4pm

September 30 at  
6:30pm

Located at:  
Clark Youth Theatre



For more information, please visit our website at [www.clarkyouththeatre.com](http://www.clarkyouththeatre.com), call our office at (918) 596-1412, or email us at [clarkyouththeatre@gmail.com](mailto:clarkyouththeatre@gmail.com).