

You're receiving this email because we think you want to hear from us. Please [click](#) to confirm that you like us. (And to make sure you keep getting our emails.)

You may [unsubscribe](#) if you no longer wish to receive our emails.



Theatre Action Project

igniting community dialogue, self discovery, and social change

Fall 2007

Quick Links

[Get Involved @ TAP.](#)

[Big Thanks to Our Sponsors!](#)

[DONATE TO TAP
\\$10 = 1 week of TAP After
School for 1 kid.](#)

Know someone who might
like TAP? Then pass this
email on.
Thanks!

Dear Friend of TAP:

Most of us remember fall as the time of year when school starts: we remember the smell of chalk and fresh school supplies, the excitement of new teachers and the chance to make new friends. Well, fall is the time of year when we at TAP kick off a year of programming too!

And this year, TAP is once again raising the bar to serve even more students in our community with our Touring Shows, After-School Program, Youth Theatre Companies, and of course - a new First Night Project.

Check out our exciting Fall line-up!

Benita Trevino
TAP Board Member

Sarah McCafferty, LMSW
Community Outreach Director

Our After-School Program is in full swing!

TAP offers a wide variety of educational experiences designed to enrich student's after-school hours. But what does this mean?

- TAP's afterschool program is happening in 28 schools in Austin and Round Rock.
- Over 3,500 students will take part in after-school TAP classes each week.
- After a successful summer program in Round Rock, we are now providing after-school classes at 3 Round Rock elementary schools and 1 middle school. It's great to have a presence in the Round Rock community!



Of course, we couldn't do this program without our committed after-school volunteers. We have 9 new volunteers who assist an afternoon/week for a semester. How exciting! Special thanks goes to these individuals: Amy Dean, Bessie Rymer, Bethany Esfandiari, Laura Ray, Megan Thomas, Quintina Gildon, Sandra DeMousette, Sarah Brock, and Susan Wind.

Contact Sarah McCafferty for more volunteer information at (512)442-8773 or sarah_mccafferty@theatreactionproject.org.



New Middle School Youth For Youth Theatre Companies

We're super excited about our new peer theatre companies. The Youth Theatre companies of middle school students develop their own program addressing bullying, immigration and other topics and then tour their show around to their peers. They are just in the beginning stages filled with recruiting students and getting their troupes all set up.

Here's more about our middle school collaborations:

Mendez Middle School students, in conjunction with the **Texas State History Museum**, will create a peer theatre performance exploring issues around immigration.

Martin Middle School students, in conjunction with **Austin Voices for Youth and Education**, will create a peer theatre performance around issues of public education.

CD Fulkes Middle School students, in conjunction with **Hope Alliance** will create a performance to educate younger students about healthy choices, as they relate to bullying, peer pressure and friendship.

We can hardly wait until these students are ready to stage their first production.

Stay tuned!

Big thanks to the Zachary Scott Theatre for donating 35 tickets for our youth theatre companies to go see Disney's High School Musical! Our students really enjoyed the performance and meeting the cast afterwards.

"Peace Cranes," TAP's First Night Project

"Peace Cranes" is Theatre Action Project's latest community-based art project commissioned for First Night Austin. In conjunction with HEB and AISD, TAP will launch "Peace Cranes" a city-wide initiative that uses theatre and art-making to explore how each of us can be part of making Austin a peaceful community. Over 3,000 young people as well as hundreds of community members will participate in this project throughout the fall and winter of 2007 culminating in a grand procession parade during First Night Austin on New Year's Eve.

TAP will be inviting community members at participating HEB's to fold small paper cranes for this project at our **December 1st HEB Day!** These cranes will become a part of a community sculpture installation at City Hall and later sent to Japan's Children's Monument at Hiroshima's Peace Park which has been inspired by the Sadako Story and the Thousand Paper Cranes.



If you are interested in learning more information, please visit our [website](#) or you can contact, First Night Project Director, Julia Smith at 512-442-8773.



TAP Turns Ten!

It seems like just yesterday that a group of wonderfully creative people decided to form a theatre group devoted to developing educational theatre for children. TAP began as a sponsored project of the Austin Circle of Theatres in 1997 and has literally gone from serving 500 to 12,000 students each year.

TAP will be holding a celebration to honor this landmark celebration and we would love to include all 1300 of our closest friends! Save the date notices will be forthcoming, so keep an eye on your mailbox!

Donor Recognition

As always, the work at TAP could not happen without the generous donations from our donors and corporate sponsors. Thank you to the following individuals and corporations that made a financial contribution or donated in-kind services or goods in 2006-2007:



Funders

3M
 Amerigroup
 Austin Community Foundation
 City of Austin cultural contracts
 ECG Foundation
 Glimmer of Hope Foundation
 HEB
 Meinig Family Foundation
 Seawall Elam Foundation
 Shield-Ayres Foundation
 Target
 Texas Commission on the Arts
 Tomblin Foundation
 Topfer Foundation
 Webber Foundation

In-Kind Supporters

ACT UP Austin
 Amerigroup
 ArtWorks
 Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum
 Candice Jones
 Chick-Fil-A
 Chuy's
 Jerry's Artarama
 Magnolia Cafe
 Manuels
 MegaPath Inc.
 Noodleism
 Reading is Fundamental
 Republic Paint
 Sabina Peerbhai
 Sonic
 Southside Flying Pizza
 Sweetish Hill Bakery & Cafe
 ThunderCloud Subs
 Treasure City Thrift Store
 Urban Music Festival

Donors

Joseph Acosta
 Piper Anderson
 Jean Avera
 Rona and David Baizer
 Salvatore and Bonnie Balistreri
 Rex Bohls
 Philip Brady
 Velma Brady
 Katherine Bryan
 Diane Carr
 Christian Castle
 Julia Ann Clark
 Rebecca Coplan
 Geoffrey and Linda Cox
 Raman Dewan
 Lary Evans
 Robert Floyd
 Zena Franklin
 Nancy Garrison
 Catherine Ghiglieri
 Kaye and Larry Hart
 Richard Hojel
 Shirlene Justice
 Pam LaShelle
 Alan Luecke
 Arnold Manville
 Scarnier Marchelle
 Mary Martinek
 Mary Lynn McNallie
 Patricia Anne Montross
 Charles Nelson
 April Pryor
 Richard Salwen
 Shia Shabazz
 Stewart and Judith Sullivan
 Lorraine and Christopher Taft
 TAP Board of Directors
 James and Ingrid Taylor
 Syd Teague
 Deborah Trevino
 Raye Zeigler

If you would like to make a donation to support young people learn how to think creatively, work as a team and believe in themselves, please visit the following:

[DONATE HERE](#)

Or mail your donation to:

Theatre Action Project
701 Tillery Street, Box 9
Austin, TX 78702

Theatre Action Project (TAP) is an interactive, educational theatre company serving the Central Texas community. Our mission is to create and promote socially relevant, interactive theatre and educational programming that ignites community dialogue, self-discovery and social change. If you would like to donate your time, talent, or tens and twenties, please visit our [website](#).

Theatre Action Project
www.theatreactionproject.org

Theatre Action Project
701 Tillery Street Box 9
Austin, Texas 78702
512.442.8773

[Forward email](#)

✉ **SafeUnsubscribe®**

This email was sent to sonnet@theatreactionproject.org by sarah_mccafferty@theatreactionproject.org.

[Update Profile/Email Address](#) | Instant removal with [SafeUnsubscribe™](#) | [Privacy Policy](#).

Email Marketing by



Theatre Action Project | 701 Tillery Street Box 9 | Austin | TX | 78702