

Drama Games:

Students are encouraged to use their imaginations and communication skills to create scenes, tableaux, characters and to just have fun. Drama Games are a way to exercise co-operation and problem solving while acting silly and having a great time. **Grades JK SK 1 - 3**

Improvisation:

Ryan teaches the students the fundamentals of improv, not only through games but challenging exercises and scene work on stage. Learning the basics of a scene (objectives, obstacles and resolution) provides the students with problem solving skills, inventiveness, creativity and conflict resolution. **Grades 4 - 8**

Character Development:

Through simple exercises, games and improvisations Ryan shows the kids how to get in the mind and body of a character. Through physical movement, voice exercises and storydrama characters are discovered, created and brought to life. **Grades 1 - 6**

The Magic of Storytelling:

Through drama games, imagination and communication students are given the steps of good storytelling, creating characters, and solving problems. They are taught the basic elements of a story and then guided through a living story drama. **Grades 1 - 4**

Dance:

Students are given a full body stretch and warm up, shown certain fundamentals of dance and then taught a contemporary jazz/hip hop routine that will get the kids laughing and sweating. A great workout which is lots of fun! **Grades 4 - 8**

Bios:

Ryan Kelly has worked with children in the areas of art, music, drama and education for ten years. Having been teacher, mentor and director to children and young people aged three to nineteen, one of Ryan's primary objectives is to offer a unique experience employing their powers of imagination, creativity and socialization. Aside from teaching, Ryan has been a professional singer, dancer and actor, earning a number of awards, nominations and travel opportunities. Ryan has worked for Mirvish, CanStage, and been seen on CTV, CBC, CityTV, Showtime, The Movie Network, The Comedy Network and the Sundance Channel. Ryan graduated with honours from the Music Theatre Performance Program at Sheridan College.

Lisa Kelly is the founding director of The Centre For Art & Soul. Lisa has been practicing yoga since 1997, has studied with Marsha Wenig of YogaKids International and is certified to teach to children through Shakta Kaur's Radiant Child Program. Before launching The Centre for Art & Soul, she taught yoga to toddlers to tweens at daycares in the west end. She has always had a love of children and, before having her own son, volunteered in Guatemala at a school for orphaned/abandoned children. Lisa is now mother to a 6 year old, and it's because of her desire to raise her son in a healthy and creative environment that the idea for her business came to light.

The Centre For Art & Soul's rate is \$75/hour + \$30 travel fee and can do: 15, 30, 40, and 60 minute classes per visit. We can also do more than one class per visit.

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