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## **CAPE FEAR REGIONAL THEATRE RECEIVES SUMMERTIME KIDS GRANT FROM THE CUMBERLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

*Fayetteville, NC*-- CAPE FEAR REGIONAL THEATRE (CFRT) is pleased to announce the receipt of the Cumberland Community Foundation, Inc.'s Summertime Kids grant. This \$6,000 grant will provide deserving youth with scholarships to attend CFRT's 2026 Summer Theatre Camps.

CFRT's Summer Theatre Camp impacts hundreds of youth ages 6-19 each year by providing critical artistic enrichment. This year, CFRT will produce 11 summer camp sessions including *Madagascar KIDS* for children 6-9; *Mean Girls Jr.* for children 10-14; and finally, a four-week teen summer theatre experience for students 15-19 who will perform *Lucky Stiff*. In addition to classes and rehearsals, students will take part in theatre games and group activities designed to build self-confidence and teamwork. CFRT's Education Director, Marc de la Concha, who directed last season's production of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, will oversee the program.

"At CFRT, we believe deeply that theatre belongs to everyone, and we remain committed to breaking down barriers that stand in the way of access. Through the generous support of the Cumberland Community Foundation and their Summertime Kids Grant donors, we are able to extend the magic of live performance to children from all walks of life—fostering imagination, inspiring creativity, and encouraging young people to envision limitless possibilities for their future." – Marc de la Concha, Education & Outreach Director

For more information about Cape Fear Regional Theatre's Summer Theatre Camps, please visit [CFRT.org](http://CFRT.org) or call Marc de la Concha, Education & Outreach Director, at 910-323-4234 ext. 244.

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**About Cape Fear Regional Theatre:** Cape Fear Regional Theatre is a stage for all, bringing world class art to our community. Now approaching its 66<sup>th</sup> season, CFRT serves ~62,000 people annually including ~22,000 children and youth. Over the course of each five-show season, CFRT contracts actors, writers, and designers from North Carolina and across the country. The theatre has become a launch pad for early career artists who go on to National Tours and Broadway Stages and an artistic home for seasoned veterans. The stories told onstage at CFRT reflect diverse perspectives and represent those populations in cast, crew, and audiences. Inspiration lives here.