

## GENERIC THEATER KIDS FREE HAMPTON ROADS



### What is it?

**Kids Free Hampton Roads** is an initiative by the Generic Theater to bring the joy, excitement and entertainment of live theater to local drama students.

### Why is it needed?

Generic Theater realized that though our area has a variety of arts opportunities, the costs for many citizens are prohibitive. To see a Broadway tour of a play can cost approximately \$500 for a family of 4. Tickets for community theaters generally run between \$15 and \$25 each. Shows at local professional theaters cost even more. Generic Theater wants to make sure that our next generation of thespians has the opportunity to

enjoy live theater at no cost. **Kids Free Hampton Roads** is our way of doing just that.

### How does it work?

Any southside Hampton Roads high school drama student may attend for free the final dress rehearsal, also known as the IDR, for any Generic show. They need simply to present themselves at the Generic box office for any scheduled IDR and provide staff with the name of their school. This is for tracking purposes to evaluate the **Kids Free Hampton Roads** program. They will be admitted for free.

### Where?

The Generic Theater is located under Chrysler Hall. For directions, click on the link.

<https://www.generictheater.org/directions/>

### When?

IDRs are typically held at 8:00 PM on the Thursday evening the day before the official opening of each show. That is the performance to which area high school drama students are invited through **Kids Free Hampton Roads**. Because theater is live action, patrons are advised to arrive no later than 15 minutes before a show. Late comers may have to wait for a break between scenes to be seated so audiences and actors are not disturbed. For a schedule of upcoming shows, click on the link. <https://www.generictheater.org/productions/>. IDR dates for Season 44 are as follows:

***Flyin' West*** - September 7, 2023 at 8:00 PM

***The Weir*** - November 16, 2023 at 8:00 PM

***The Viewing Room*** – February 8, 2024 at 8:00 PM

***Indecent*** – May 16, 2024 at 8:00 PM