



SOUTH COLONIE FRIENDS OF THEATRE ARTS, INC

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Did you know...?

- This year, we received a generous **Costume donation** from **Home Made Theater** in Saratoga Springs. We were the recipient of a **generous donation** from the beloved local family community theatre, **Family Players of NENY**.
- Approximately **500** South Colonie students participate in the theatre drama clubs in their schools as either an actor or backstage crew.
- Over **60%** of the school members and families **attend 4** out of **5** of the district's theatre productions.
- SCFOTA has brought **6** theatre productions to all elementary schools in the district.
- South Colonie has had approximately **40%** of theatre students represented on Broadway, television, or community theatre as actors or backstage technical crew.
- SCFOTA has provided South Colonie students with the ability to help community theatres and dance centers in the Capital Region with sets, props and expert assistance.
- We are a valuable contributor to 4Oceans, ICARE and Raiderfest, both with donations and by sponsoring a hole on the mini-golf course.
- SCFOTA provides seniors with \$300 scholarship awards, and middle schoolers with \$300 summer theatre camp awards. Our **biggest total is this current year(2018-19) of \$3000(3 Seniors and 7 middle school students)**
- We have provided special price reductions on **BIG shows at Proctors Theater** in Schenectady.
- We have purchased new equipment for Colonie Central High School tech crew and Lisha Kill Drama Club, and paid for a Musical Director for Lisha Kill.
- We plan to continue to have Broadway actors come present workshops for our students. In the past, we had Lisha Kill alumnus(Corey Snide), the actor who played Simba in Lion King, visit our middle schools. We have had 2 additional alumni from Broadway shows come for a workshop or question/answer sessions (Kathryn Wake and Nicole Zilka).

South Colonie Friends of Theatre Arts, Inc. ("SCFOTA") is a not-for-profit organization of parents, teachers, students and all interested persons whose goal is to support and enhance all areas of the theatre world, and to promote an awareness and appreciation of theatre throughout the district and the community. We hope that you will become a SCFOTA member. In these times – with reduced funding to school districts and restrictive state regulations – school theater programs need community support in order to have quality staff and productions to benefit our students and our community. By becoming a member of SCFOTA, you demonstrate a commitment to the theatre programs and its importance in our students' education.