The Youth Drama option is for those students who wish to use the dramatic arts as a teaching tool, either in the elementary classroom or as a teaching artist. Our comprehensive curriculum is specifically designed to train teachers. Through laboratory work, students obtain hands-on teaching experience so that by the time they reach their graduate school internship, they have spent significant hours in the classroom working with children. Students will be expected to fully integrate education and theatre coursework so that they leave UNH with sound theoretical training in addition to practical instruction on how to use drama to enhance learning outcomes, address classroom discipline issues, and, of course, bring the arts to life in the classroom.

“How can we turn our back on an endeavor which increases our children’s cultural intelligence, heightens individual sensitivity and deepens our collective sense of humanity? I suggest to you that we cannot.”

–Alec Baldwin at Arts Advocacy Day

For additional information on the Theatre degree program with an option in Design visit: https://bit.ly/YouthDramaOption or Contact Professor Raina Ames raina.ames@unh.edu
In addition to our award-winning faculty, the UNH Department of Theatre and Dance offers more than 25 performance opportunities every year in musicals, plays or dance concerts, including student productions. You’ll be able to pursue independent studies and you’ll be eligible to apply for R.E.A.C.H., financial assistance provided to students who participate in internships with professional theatre or dance organizations. Our Cultural Stages program brings acclaimed playwrights, choreographers and other theatre artists from around the world to campus. With the addition of the fifth-year master’s program, you’ll be able to obtain your New Hampshire teaching certificate in elementary education.

**CORE YOUTH DRAMA FACULTY**

- **Raina Ames** (theatre ed/youth drama)
- **Carol Fisher** (youth theatre/puppetry)
- **Szu-Feng Chen** (design)
- **Victoria Carot** (theatre costume coordinator)

For a complete list of all of the talented faculty within the Theatre & Dance Dept. visit our website:
https://cola.unh.edu/theatre-dance/faculty-staff-directory

**Majors have a multitude of both required and optional courses available to them. A selection of courses include:**

- Stagecraft
- Elements of Design
- Theatre Dance I
- Creative Drama
- Introduction to Puppetry
- Storytelling, Story Theatre & Involvement Dramatics
- Theatre for Young Audiences
- Advanced Puppetry
- Arts Integration
- Methods of Teaching Theatre
- Community-Oriented Drama Programs
- Teacher Planning for Theatre

For information on additional courses required for State Education certification visit our website:
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