

HISTORY OF THE GOLDEN AGE OF MOVIE MUSICALS (2nd Semester)

Instructor: Cynthia Yard

Grades: 7th-12th

Prerequisites: None

Cost: \$35/month tuition for one semester only

Credit: ½ credit for Performing Arts Appreciation or PE

Overview: Go back in time with the iconic award-winning movie musicals of the 1940s and 50s such as “On The Town” and “Singin’ in the Rain”. Students will watch 6 movies for homework and write a brief review of the movies. “Behind the scenes” will be discussed in class as well as learning the warm-up exercises developed on those very sets while the dancers were waiting for the next “take”. A short combination will also be taught if time permits.

Curriculum:

Movie List:

1. That’s Entertainment (1974) Vol.1
2. On The Town (1948)
3. An American in Paris (1950)
4. Singin’ In The Rain (1950)
5. The Band Wagon (1952)
6. White Christmas (1955)

Rent the movies on Amazon (2.99-3.99) each, lend from library, or purchase. Please note the syllabus for this course is the same as the class description.

Additional requirements: Notepaper, pen, and a folder. Modest workout clothes.

Homework: Watch movies and do a movie review for each film watched. The review should include the name of the movie, the main characters, the main idea, your opinion of the movie with examples supporting your opinion, and a concluding statement.

Min/Max: 5/15

LHE Pre-enrollment (must be completed **before** course enrollment)

Course Enrollment & Questions: Mrs. Yard at cdyard@gmail.com