

Clinton students participate in theatre camp

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New Stage Theatre recently held its annual Broadway Junior Theatre Summer Camp for rising sixth through twelfth grades. The New Stage Theatre Arts in Education department strives to bring professional, progressive acting instruction to youth throughout Mississippi with its summer camps, yearlong acting classes and touring workshops. The Broadway Junior Theatre Camp serves as an introduction to acting, singing and dance for ages eleven through seventeen.

The students had four weeks of theatre instruction taught by seasoned



Pictured (l to r) are Shelby Hadley, Natalie Pace and Baileigh Hughes of Clinton, who recently participated in New Stage Theatre's Broadway Junior camp.

theatre veterans. Students were introduced to all the elements of theatre production in daily classes. The culmination of the camp was a fully-produced Broadway Junior musical presented for four performances on New Stage's main stage. Camp participants also received instruction in acting, improvisation, stage movement, musical theatre, dance, voice and diction, and auditioning. The camp culminated with the performance of *Aladdin, Jr.*

Students from Clinton participating in New Stage Theatre's Broadway Junior Theatre Camp 2018 were Shelby Hadley, Natalie Pace and Baileigh Hughes.

Goodwill® and Google.org launch Digital Career AcceleratorSM Training Center in Clinton

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Goodwill Industries of Mississippi recently launched its first Goodwill Digital Career AcceleratorSM Training Center, offering free computer and digital skills classes to the public.

The center will host sixteen computers labs, a SMART Board, a smart TV and instruction modules for basic to mid-level digital skills training.

Goodwill Industries of Mississippi received a \$50,000 grant from Google.org earlier this summer to provide basic computer classes, coding courses and IT certificate training to local residents.

The grant is part of a national digital skills training initiative made possible by a \$10 million investment from Google.org, as part of the Grow with Google initiative to help create eco-

nomie opportunities for Americans. It will enable more than one million people to receive digital skills training over the next two years at one hundred twenty-five Goodwill organizations nationwide.

The new Goodwill Digital Career AcceleratorSM Training Center in Clinton will host two training sessions each Monday through Thursday, with an open lab on Friday.

For information, or to register, call 601-499-0492, or email Lou Johnson at ljohnson@goodwillms.org. Enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Goodwill Industries of Mississippi provides workforce development programs for people with disabilities and anyone facing barriers to finding em-

ployment. The first class at the Clinton location began September 10.

"The staff of Goodwill of Mississippi are so thankful to Google and



are so proud to add this excellent educational opportunity to our area," said Lou Johnson, Digital Skills Program Coordinator. "Everyone is touched by the need to know and understand technology. Please take advantage of this class."

Digital skills include basic computer skills that would be used to establish an email address, apply for a job or perform many entry-level tasks.

More advanced digital skills include computer support or programming, digital marketing, and cybersecurity, which are increasingly relevant for achieving well-paying, in-demand careers across the country.

"Goodwill is the leading workforce development nonprofit in the United States, and Google

is proud to support them as they prepare more than one million people across the country to get the critical digital skills they need to be successful today and in the future," said Jacqueline Fuller, president of Google.org. "We both share a commitment to create opportunities for everyone, and we're excited to amplify Goodwill's amazing work through our giving and Google volunteers."

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