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Songs from ‘Glee’ Highlight GSU Summer Theatre Camp

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University Park, IL, March 15, 2011 - Young singers and dancers will have a "Glee"-ful experience at this summer's Jukebox Musical Theatre Camp at Governors State University.

Local school-age children will learn and perform songs from the hit TV show "Glee" during the four-day camp, from June 20 to 24, at GSU. The camp concludes with a one-night-only show at 7 p.m. Friday, June 24, at GSU's Center for the Performing Arts. "Jukebox Musical Theatre – Glee" will feature songs including "Don't Stop Believin'", "Proud Mary," and "Lean on Me."

During the camp, students will learn songs, choreography, and scenes from "Glee" and other rock and roll musicals. Professional coaches will work with campers on scene study, voice, diction, improvisation, singing, and dancing.

The Center is currently accepting registration for children ages 8 to 15. To register a camper, contact Burt Dikelsky, The Center's executive director, at (708) 235-2238. Parents should act quickly to enroll their youngsters – registration is limited to 48 campers.

Camp is six hours a day, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. The weeklong camp costs $235, which includes materials, a camp t-shirt, and four tickets to the final performance. Additional tickets to the Friday night performance are $10.

The Center hosts the camp in conjunction with park districts in Crete, Frankfort, Frankfort Square, Oak Forest, and Matteson.

This year's camp will again be conducted by Emerald City Theatre, a Chicago-based non-profit theatre organization dedicated to producing family theatre experiences that serve as child's gateway to the arts and prepare them for a world of opportunities. Emerald City Theatre conducted its first Jukebox Musical Theatre Camp at GSU in 2010.

"Over the past eight years we have worked with the best theatre companies in the Chicago area to give our kids an excellent summer camp program," Dikelsky said. "We look forward to our second show with Emerald City Theatre to provide a great experience for our kids, their families, and patrons of the show."

Now in its 17th season, The Center for Performing Arts is dedicated to presenting the finest in performing arts entertainment and education in Chicago's greater metropolitan area and the south suburbs. The Center features a 1,200-seat, state of the art facility for world-class fine arts presentations and theatrical productions.

The Center for Performing Arts at Governors State University is located at 1 University Parkway, University Park, Illinois. For more information about the summer theatre camp or The Center, call (708) 235-2222 or visit www.centertickets.net.