

**Brighter Connections Theatre**

**Youth Program Volunteer Opportunity**

**What is it?**

Brighter Connections Theatre (BCT) is a theatre program adapted for students with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASDs). The summer of 2019 will mark our 7th year of programming. This 6 week process will be focused on how the therapeutic use of theatre can help children ages 8-14 years old with ASD better manage their social, communicative, and behavioral skills. For more detailed information on past seasons, please visit our website at [www.brighterconnectionstheatre.com](http://www.brighterconnectionstheatre.com) .

**Where:**

University of Dayton, Fitz Hall

**When:**

Rehearsals will take place Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays beginning the week of June 4th and will end in 3 performances the weekend of July 12, 2019. Please see the accompanying calendar for detailed dates and times.

**What Will I Be Doing?**

We are looking for understanding and patient individuals who are interested in working with children who have different needs. This will include writing sketches, playing theatre games, participating in exercises, and more! You will be working with cast members to help create the final production for family, friends, and community members the weekend of July 12, 2019. Training dates will be scheduled in order to help you better prepare for your role, as you will be working with children who have various social, behavior, and communication needs.

If you are interested in what Brighter Connections Theatre has to offer individuals with autism, please contact us! All questions, comments, and concerns are welcome. If you would like to apply as a volunteer, please fill out the attached Volunteer Application and submit to bctdayton@gmail.com

Thank you for your interest!

Katie O’Leary, Director and President

**Volunteer Application**

**Brighter Connections Theatre 2019**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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(If applicable)School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about us?

What experience (if any) do you have with children and/or children with different needs?

Please note that while the BCT team understands last minute emergencies can/will arise, please list any and all dates you will need to be excused from rehearsal below:

***By filling out and submitting this volunteer application, I am agreeing to be present for 6 weeks of rehearsal for 3 days a week beginning June 4th, in addition to 2 training dates prior to the start of rehearsals. If I am 18 years or older, I agree to complete a BCI check no less than 6 weeks prior to the start of rehearsals. (You will be reimbursed for cost of the background check.)***