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FOUNDATION HELPS CHILDREN IN NEED ATTEND SUMMER THEATER PROGRAM

SOUTH ORANGE, N.J. — The Investors Foundation, which provides grant funding to community-enrichment programs in the neighborhoods served by Investors Bank, has announced a \$1,000 grant award to Dreamcatcher Repertory Theatre.

Among the many programs offered by Dreamcatcher — a professional theater company founded in 1995 — is the Summer Theatre Conservatory, a performing arts enrichment program for children between the ages of 10 and 17. Participants receive training in numerous areas, including acting, scene study, singing, dance, and Shakespeare. In the final two weeks of the summer program, students collaborate with faculty to produce and perform an original show. Grant funding enables the 75-seat Theatre, which is located at The Baird on Mead Street, to open the program to children from economically disadvantaged backgrounds.

“We believe that this program is of enormous value to the community, and it should not exclude passionate, interest students who may otherwise be unable to afford it,” said Laura Ekstrand, the facility’s artistic director. “We’re grateful for the continuing generosity of our friends at the Investors Foundation.”

About The Investors Savings Bank Foundation

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