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Encore Stage & Studio Presents *The Addams Family* Musical This Summer

ARLINGTON, VA – Encore Stage & Studio is thrilled to welcome a new family to the stage this summer with ***The Addams Family***, a delightfully dark and hilariously heartwarming musical based on the beloved characters created by Charles Addams.

In this kooky musical comedy, Wednesday Addams, the ultimate princess of darkness, has grown up and fallen in love with a sweet, smart young man from a perfectly ordinary family. When Wednesday invites her boyfriend and his parents to dinner at the Addams family home, one unforgettable evening sets the stage for secrets to be revealed, relationships to be tested, and surprising truths to come to light. As the two families collide, love works its unexpected magic in a story filled with laughter, chaos, and heart.

Packed with memorable songs, eccentric characters, and plenty of spooky fun, *The Addams Family* celebrates family, acceptance, and embracing the people you call home, even if they're a little unusual. Recommended for ages 10 and older, this entertaining musical is perfect for families, theatre lovers, and fans of the iconic Addams clan.

Creative Team

- Director: Jeffrey Davis
- Choreographer: Megan Kempton
- Music Director: James Maxted
- Stage Manager: Josie Funk
- Technical Director & Set Designer: Kristen Jepperson
- Student Set Designer: Tess Sidley
- Costume & Make-Up Designer: Debra Leonard
- Assistant Costume Designer & Props Designer: Joan Dickson
- Lighting Designer: Kevin A. Curry
- Sound Consultant: David Kunz
- Production Manager: Cleo Potter

Performance Schedule

- Friday, July 17, 2026 at 7:00 PM

- Saturday, July 18, 2026 at 7:00 PM
- Sunday, July 19, 2026 at 3:00 PM
- Friday, July 24, 2026 at 7:00 PM
- Saturday, July 25, 2026 at 2:00 PM
- Saturday, July 25, 2026 at 7:00 PM
- Sunday, July 26, 2026 at 3:00 PM

Thomas Jefferson Community Theatre

125 S. Old Glebe Road
Arlington, VA 22204

Tickets

Adults: \$22 | Children, Students, Military, and Seniors: \$18. Group Rate (10 or more): \$16 per ticket. All ticket prices include fees. All patrons ages 1 and older must have a ticket. Tickets are available now at www.encorestage.org.

There will be ASL Access provided for the Saturday, July 25, 2pm performance by Good Signs. Patrons can email boxoffice@encorestage.org to reserve seats in the ASL section.

Encore Stage & Studio is proud to recognize longtime volunteer photographer **Cindy Kane** with the **Celeste Award for Outstanding Volunteer** during the Saturday, **July 18** performance of **The Addams Family**.

For the past **eight seasons**, Kane has generously donated her time and talent to capturing the heart of Encore's productions. From joyful curtain calls and heartfelt rehearsals to unforgettable onstage performances, her photographs have preserved countless memories for the thousands of young performers, families, volunteers, and audience members who make up the Encore community. Kane's commitment behind the camera has helped tell Encore's story and showcase the creativity and confidence that flourish through youth theatre.

In addition, Encore Stage & Studio is hosting a costume sale in the lobby of the show. Families can get a head start on the spooky season and score your Halloween costume early! Encore is opening up our treasure trove of costumes—straight from their storage for a special sale.

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About Encore Stage & Studio: Founded in 1967, Encore Stage & Studio inspires young people to develop the creativity, empathy and confidence they need to create meaningful connections with peers and have a positive impact in their communities. Encore strives to educate and entertain by offering productions each season that are by and for young people, and through enriching classes and workshops with qualified, enthusiastic teaching artists. Encore Stage & Studio's 2025/2026 season is supported by Amazon, Cindy Kane Photography, in part by the Virginia Commission for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Arts, Arlington Cultural Affairs Division of Arlington Economic Development and Arlington Commission for the Arts. Encore Stage & Studio is committed to promoting inclusion and equitable access to all of its programs. We believe that an artistic community is enhanced through diversity. We believe that participating in live theatre builds problem-solving skills, teamwork, creativity, literacy, and self-confidence. We are cultivating the next generation of active and engaged art lovers.

