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SUBJECT: Acting Up Theater Academy, Inc.

(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for :

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☐ \$78.75
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ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Ashley J. Richards

Name (Printed or typed)

374 Morgan Creek Circle

Address

Apopka, FL 32712

City, State & Zip

352-408-8039

Daytime Telephone number

actingupdirector@gmail.com

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
ACTING UP THEATER ACADEMY, INC.**

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The undersigned, natural person of the age of eighteen years or older, acting as incorporator for the purpose of creating a nonprofit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida in compliance with Chapter 617, F.S., do hereby set forth:

**ARTICLE I
NAME**

The name of this Corporation shall be Acting Up Theater Academy, Inc.

**ARTICLE II
PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The address of the principal office of the Corporation shall be 374 Morgan Creek, Apopka, Florida 32712.

**ARTICLE III
COMMENCEMENT OF CORPORATE EXISTENCE**

This Corporation shall commence corporate existence immediately upon the filing of these Articles of Incorporation with the Florida Department of State, and shall have perpetual existence unless sooner dissolved according to law.

**ARTICLE IV
PURPOSES AND GENERAL POWERS**

This Corporation is organized is formed for the purpose of operating and transacting any and lawful activity than can be engaged in by a not for profit corporation under Florida law. The Corporation is organized to be exempt from federal income taxation within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 ("Code") or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

In addition to the general purposes authorized for a Florida not for profit corporation, the specific purposes ("Purposes") of the Corporation will be to:

1. Establish an academic curriculum, a studio location and an experienced faculty for the education of the students in the theater arts ("Theater Arts") including, but not limited to, the performances of contemporary and classical:
 - a. Drama,
 - b. Comedy,
 - c. Tragedy,
 - d. Musicals,

- e. Dance,
 - f. Performance Art,
 - g. Writing dramas, comedies, tragedies, and musicals,
 - h. The production of the Theater Arts, and
 - i. The performance of the Theater Arts.
2. In furtherance of the Purposes of the Corporation, the Corporation intends to conduct classes, workshop and seminars (during the summer and other times during the year) (collectively "Programs") to encourage and facilitate the study of the Theater Arts by offering Programs to:
- a. Students attending public and private schools, from kindergarten through grade twelve,
 - b. Students attending universities, colleges, and junior colleges;
 - c. Persons not described in (a) or (b) interested in the study of the Theater Arts.
3. Apply for grants and contributions from private individuals, charitable trusts and foundations, and local, state, and federal government agencies for the furtherance of the Purposes of the Corporation.
4. Establish an endowment fund or separate foundation in order to establish a continuing source of funds to support the Corporation and its Purposes, if it is determined to be in the best interest of the Corporation and to further its Purposes.

This Corporation shall have all of the powers enumerated in the Florida Not-for-Profit Corporation Act, as the same now exists and as hereafter amended, and all such other powers as are permitted to be carried on by (1) a corporation exempt from Federal Income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code or (2) a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code; and to do all things necessary, proper and consistent with maintaining tax exempt status under Section 501(c)(3).

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal Income Tax Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

ARTICLE V

PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributed to any director, employee or other individual, partnership, estate, trust or corporation having a personal or private interest in the Corporation. Compensation for services actually rendered and reimbursement for expenses actually incurred in attending to the affairs of this Corporation shall be limited to reasonable amounts. No substantial amount of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or

otherwise attempting to influence legislation and this Corporation shall not intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles or any Bylaws adopted thereunder, this Corporation shall not take any action not permitted by the laws which then apply to this Corporation.

ARTICLE VI
INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The initial registered office of this Corporation shall be located at 374 Morgan Creek Circle, Apopka, Florida 32712, and the initial registered agent of the Corporation at that address shall be Ashley J. Richards. The Corporation may change its registered agent or the location of its registered office, or both, from time to time without amendment of these Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE VIII
INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors shall be elected or appointed and their number either increased or diminished from time to time in the manner and for the terms provided in the Bylaws, provided that there should not be less than three (3) Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX
INITIAL OFFICERS

This Corporation shall have, in addition to a President, Vice-President, Secretary and/or Treasurer, such other additional officers as may be created from time to time by and under authorization of its Bylaws. All officers and agents shall be chosen in such manner, hold their offices for such terms, and have such powers and duties as may be described by the Bylaws or determined by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLES X
INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the person signing these Articles as incorporator is:

Ashley J. Richards
374 Morgan Creek Circle
Apopka, Florida 32712

ARTICLE XI
BYLAWS

Except as otherwise provided by law, the power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal the Bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XII

INDEMNIFICATION

In addition to any rights and duties under applicable law, the Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless all its directors, officers, employees and agents, and former directors, officers, employees and agents from and against all liabilities and obligations, including attorneys' fees, incurred in connection with any actions taken or failed to be taken by said directors, officers, employees and agents in their capacity as such to the fullest extent permitted under applicable law.

ARTICLE XIII

AMENDMENTS

The Board of Directors reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto.

ARTICLE XIV

HEADINGS AND CAPTIONS

The headings or captions of these various Articles are inserted for convenience and none of them shall have any force or effect, and the interpretation of the various Articles shall not be influenced by any of said headings or captions.

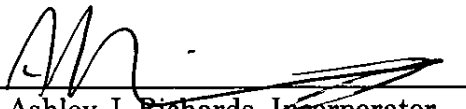
ARTICLE XV

DISSOLUTION ACTIVITIES

The internal affairs of the Corporation shall be regulated by its Board of Directors as described in the Bylaws. Upon dissolution of the Corporation, its assets shall be disposed of exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation or distributed to such organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable purposes which shall, at the time, qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Code, then the Corporation shall transfer such assets to such organization or organizations which, at the discretion of the Corporation and consistent with the general intentions and wishes of the donors of such assets, are organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes, as shall at that time qualify such organization or organizations as being exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code. Any such assets not so disposed of shall instead be disposed of by the Circuit Court of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes, and which qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the incorporator herein before named, for the purpose of forming a not-for-profit corporation pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida, to do business both within and without the State of Florida, hereby makes and files these Articles of Incorporation declaring and certifying that the facts stated herein are true, and hereunto sets his hand and seal this 28th day of February, 2012.

ACTING UP THEATER ACADEMY, INC.

By: 
Ashley J. Richards, Incorporator

**CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS FOR THE
SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA AND REGISTERED
AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED**

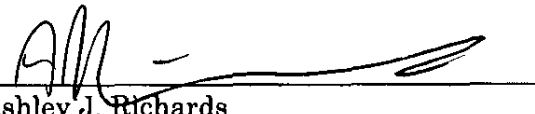
In compliance with Section 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted:

Acting Up Theater Academy, Inc., desiring to organize as a not-for-profit corporation pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida with its registered office at 374 Morgan Creek Circle, Apopka, Florida 32712, has named and designated Ashley J. Richards, as its Registered Agent to accept service of process within the State of Florida.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above named not-for-profit corporation, at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties as Registered Agent.

Dated this 28th day of February, 2012.


Ashley J. Richards
Registered Agent

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