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Youth Cast of Dalmatians Are Spotting Local Animal Shelters Cast of Moonlit Wings' Camp Drama workshops "101 Dalmatians"!

Moonlit Wings Productions cast of Camp Drama's *101 Dalmatians* at Providence RECenter are putting forth the effort of helping others, persons and pets alike, and gaining new experiences along the way. Our cast of nearly two dozen young actors ages 7-14 have two weeks to fully stage a musical production and participate in theatrical projects along the way, including improv, costumes, set building, exposure to professional DC theatre, and more.

Our latest show, 101 Dalmatians, features the cast members as dogs and the well-known story of a crazed woman who will do anything to have her "spots!". To gain the appearance of puppies, Scotties and even Poodles, the cast has created their own doggie masks and costumes, training our artists in technical theatre as well as stage performance. Since the show is all about dogs, the cast is also stepping up and helping local animal shelters by starting an Animal Drive, collecting items such as blankets, pet food, and toys that local shelters need to help keep the animals healthy and happy. In the midst of working on this musical production, our multi-talented cast has engaged in is writing their own plays for Moonlit Wing's "Out-Of-This-World Playwriting Challenge." These new works are tied to themes featured in 101 Dalmatians. The production director, James Harden, commented on their playwriting pieces, "The theme is 'Home is Where the Heart Is" and our young cast is taking this project to a whole new level, writing about life, death and the happiness you feel when at the one true place you call home." One original play from each Camp Drama session this summer will be chosen to be fully staged and produced, serving as the Opening Act for our 2012 Main Stage Musical Extravaganza next summer.

Join the celebration! Our dress rehearsal is this Thursday on **Thursday**, **July 21**, **2011** from **2:30-4:00pm** at Providence RECenter, **7525 Marc Drive**, **Falls Church**, **VA**. The production will be shared with family and friends on at 2:30pm on Friday, July 22nd at Providence RECenter Theatre. More information on us, including a video on our Playwriting Challenge is available at www.moonlitwings.org.