

Welcome to Deana's Educational Theater

Acting to prevent bullying, cyber bullying and teen dating violence since 1994.



About Deana's Educational Theater

Deana's Educational Theater (DET) develops and produces violence awareness programs to promote healthy relationships and to educate K-12, college, military and other audiences about dating violence, bullying, cyber bullying, domestic violence and sexual assault. The Deana's Educational Theater Acting to Prevent Violence collection includes nine plays for various ages.

DET was created in memory of Deana Brisbois, a young woman from Topsfield, MA. Deana had been in an abusive relationship for more than two years and had gotten restraining orders against her partner and tried multiple times to leave him. One of the last decisions Deana Brisbois made in April 1994 was to get into a car with her abusive boyfriend. The ride later resulted in a crash that killed her. To this day, the circumstances that led to her death aren't clear.

Twenty-five years after the Topsfield native's death, Deana's Educational Theater keeps her memory alive by teaching children and young adults to recognize signs of abuse. Since then, the scope of our work has expanded to include bullying prevention understanding that we cannot start teaching our kids about healthy relationships early enough.

"The effects of Deana's death devastated so many people – her siblings, her friends, and our friends alike. We had to do something to memorialize her, something to keep what happened to Deana from happening to anyone else."

- Mary Gorfinkle, Deana's Mother

What we offer

- Ten (10) live plays starting for audiences ages 8+ that tackle bullying, cyberbullying, responsible digital footprint and teen dating violence
 - Actors that are trained in post-show conversation
 - Real tangible takeaways that help kids build the confidence and the skills to face difficult situations as a victim or a bystander
 - Resources for parents and teachers to help recognize the signs of trouble
 - Introduction to a few digital app solutions that can help kids/adults stay safe
 - A common language to talk about difficult concepts
- A great complement to any Health and Wellness curriculum
 - A great resource for Guidance Counselors to connect with the kids
 - A roadmap to keep these important conversations going as your kids enter adolescence and adulthood
 - Ideas to offset the cost of plays

“Teachers and students developed a common language, and we saw an increase in disclosures after the bully prevention plays and teacher training. We witnessed incredibly powerful effects that lasted throughout the year.”

- Ilyse Frische Manchester Memorial School, Manchester MA

Sponsorship Opportunities

We are always looking for Corporate Sponsors and Synergy Sponsors who want to support our work. Your dollars enable us to keep growing our reach and provide our shows at a lower cost. We would be happy to discuss these levels in detail. Thank you for your consideration.

	Synergy Sponsor Opportunities		Corporate Sponsorship Opportunities		
	Platinum - Synergy	Gold - Synergy	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Number of Opportunities	1	2: 1 for Violence Prevention, 1 for Bullying Prevention	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
Value	\$50,000	\$25,000	\$20,000	\$10,000	\$5,000
Verbal Message from our Sponsor at all shows for a year	X				
Verbal Message from our Sponsor at all shows for a year within Target Audience		X			
Press Release announcing Synergy	X	X			
Ability to hand out pamphlet or information at performances provided by synergy sponsor	X	X			
Logo with message in Sample Parent Letter/Email	X	X			
Logo in Sample Parent Letter/Email			X	X	X
Featured on website with Logo with link and information	X	X			
Featured on website with Logo			X	X	X
Logo on Fundraiser Program/info	X	X	X	X	X
Social Media Thank yous	X	X	X	X	X
Special Social Media Coverage	X	X	X	X	

Corporate / Individual Sponsorship Levels, Continued

	Corporate / Individual Giving Levels					
	Warrior	Ally	Upstander	Advocate	Confidant	Friend
Value	\$1,000	\$500	\$250	\$100	\$50	\$25
Listed on website (If desired)	X	X	X	X	X	X
Social Media Shout Out for Corporate sponsors	X	X				

We welcome support at all levels. The best way to prevent dating violence and bullying is by putting a spotlight on it. With your help, Deana’s Educational Theater can continue to be that light.

Thank you for your consideration.

Thank you

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We are always looking for Corporate and Individual Sponsors who support our cause and our programs. If you would like to work with us, we'd love to hear from you! Thank you!

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