



**SPECTRUM
PROJECT**
University of Northern Iowa

A WIMBA WAY

APRIL 3, 2:00 PM AT BENGTON AUDITORIUM

THE UNI SPECTRUM PROJECT IS A
MUSIC, DRAMA, MOVEMENT AND
ART PROJECT FOR CHILDREN WITH
DIFFERENT ABILITIES.



FREE ADMISSION
DONATIONS ACCEPTED

About the UNI Spectrum Project...

The Spectrum Project is a Saturday program that combines music, movement, drama and art for children with differing abilities. Activities use the performer's ideas with direction from UNI students.

The Spectrum Project performers come from the Cedar Valley and range in age from 6 to 18. Performers meet each Saturday beginning in January.

The Spectrum Project Buddies are UNI, Allen College and Hawkeye Community College students who volunteer each weekend to work with the performers. Each performer is paired with a Spectrum Project Buddy for the duration of the project.

The Spectrum Project is a continuation of efforts to provide performing arts experience for children with differing abilities in the Cedar Valley. This effort began with the Spectrum Theatre, founded by UNI Theatre Professor Gretta Berghammer in 2012. The Spectrum Project is modeled after the Ball State Prism Project, founded by Ryan and Amy Hourigan in 2010 at Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana.

The Spectrum Project is supported through the UNI School of Music and community supporters.

2017 SPECTRUM PROJECT

First rehearsal

January 14, 2017

Register at spectrumproject.org

Program

A WIMBA WAY

God Bless the USA - Emma Hovanec

Performer Introductions

Scene 1

In the Beginning - Purple Group

Rumble, Rumble in the Jungle - Green Group

Fireflies - Gold Group

Scene 2

The Crocodile - Gold Group

Crocodile Rock - Purple Group

Roar - Red Group

Scene 3

The Hyenas - Red Group

I Love a Rainy Night - Gold Group

Shake It Off - Green Group

Jokes - Joshua Krueger

Scene 4

The Rhinos - Green Group

George of the Jungle - Red Group

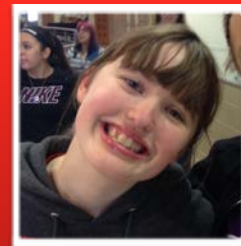
I Like to Move It - Purple Group

One Small Voice - Taryn Ackerman

Scene 5

A Wimba Way - All Groups

TARYN ACKERMAN is 18 years old and in the 11th Grade at Cedar Falls High School. This is her first year in the Spectrum Project. Taryn loves music, art, dancing, swimming, roller skating. She loves participating in Special Olympics Bowling, Basketball and Track & Field events. Taryn sang the "Star Spangled Banner" for "Opening Ceremonies" at the 2013 Iowa State Special Olympics/Summer Games, in Ames, the Cedar Rapids Kernels baseball game for "Autism Day at the Park" event, and every year since 2011 for the River Hills School Graduation Ceremony. At the Iowa State Special Olympics, Taryn won a Gold Medal in 2011 for the Standing Long Jump and another Gold Medal in 2013 for the 50 meter race.



DAVIDWAYNE (D.W. BELTZ is 9 years old and attends Cedar Heights Elementary School. This is his first year in the Spectrum Project. He loves to bake, draw and play video games. He is very creative and has a big heart for helping others!



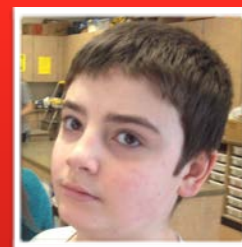
SHELBY BLAKE is nine years old and attends third grade at Lincoln Elementary School in Cedar Falls. This is her first year in the Spectrum Project. Shelby loves to play on the iPad. She enjoys reading books. She has two boxers named Krash and Dizz. She enjoys music and being a comedian. Shelby has been involved in Kindermusic, Kindergym, YMCA Summer Camp and Wartburg Sparkles Cheerleading.

JACOB BRUSTKERN

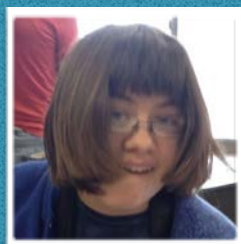
is 17 years old, and a Senior at CFHS. This is his first year in the Spectrum Project. He will be graduating in a month. Jake loves to swim, hit golf balls, and loves to go to movies. Every time Jake goes to the movies he has to get a large buttered popcorn, and pop. The one thing about Jake is that he is always a happy kid. You never see him get down on himself or anybody else. Jake also likes to tease his family, all in good fun.



GABE CASTINGS is 12 and in the 6th grade at River Hills. This is his second year in the Spectrum Project. He lives for anything that involves water! He loves to swim, boat with his grandpa, and visit waterparks. He loves to spend time with his twin sister bouncing on the trampoline, playing board games, or swinging on the hammock. He's the family DJ and loves to play anything



KAYLA CRAUN is a junior at Waterloo East High School. This is her second year in the Spectrum Project. She is involved in Special Olympics, Sturgis Youth Theatre, and the East Daily Grind, a coffee shop at her high school. Some of the things Kayla loves include music, animals (especially horses), and bike riding. She enjoys riding her horse, Lakota. She even competes in Equestrian Special Olympics! She is interested in first responders and in her own words likes, "ambulance, police, and fire." She is currently employed and working at Goodwill in Cedar Falls on University. Kayla's laugh makes everyone - performers, buddies, and directors - smile!





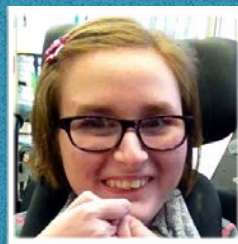
ETHAN DENNING is in 5th grade at Lou-Henry Elementary School in Waterloo. This is his first year in the Spectrum Project.

Ethan loves to chat with whoever is around. He loves cats and dogs, with a special empathy for the less than perfect ones. Ethan is very creative with legos, spending hours creating replica's of anything and everything in his world, from Titanics to bulldozers, garages for his Galactica vehicles to amusement parks. All from memory. Ethan also really likes to do the art projects in the Spectrum art classroom. His favorite things were making the masks and the background for the play.



JOHNATHAN ELLIS is 9 years old and in 3rd grade at Lou Henry Elementary in Waterloo. This is his first year in the Spectrum Project. He really likes to collect pokemon cards and hot wheel cars. At

school he enjoys math. At Spectrum, Johnathan enjoys playing games, making art projects, and playing the ukulele. He often challenges other performers to races around Lincoln Elementary.



KYLIE ELSER is a 9th grader at Peet Jr. High. This is her second year in the Spectrum Project. She enjoys music, movies and popcorn. Kylie loves to laugh, and has an awesome fashion sense.

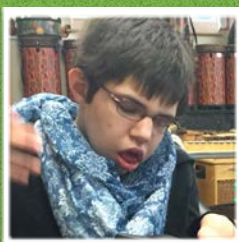
She also loves the outdoors and is happy to be outside on sunny days. Kylie always brightens up a room, and everyone gets so excited when she arrives to Spectrum Project.

MICHAEL ELLIS is 7 years old and in 2nd grade at Lou Henry in Waterloo. This is his first year in the Spectrum Project.



He likes Nerf guns and college basketball. He is a very talented artist and an excellent breakdancer. He also really enjoys math. Another favorite activity of Michael's is playing with his brother, who is also a part of Spectrum!

JOEY ELSER is a 6th grader at Cedar Heights Elementary. This is his second year in the Spectrum Project. He likes any activity that allows him to move or create. Drawing and painting are favorite activities.



ADA ENSHAYAN is 16 and is a 10th grader at River Hills School. This is her first year in the Spectrum Project but has been in Spectrum Theatre and Spectrum Music. In addition to school, she enjoys dancing to music, movies and swimming. Her favorite color is sparkle! Ada has gone camping several times with her family in Michigan and Minnesota.

JOHN GLASCOCK

is 15 years old and is in the 9th grade at Holmes Junior High in Cedar Falls. This is his second year in the Spectrum Project. He has enjoyed being involved in theater opportunities with Spectrum Theater and Sturgis Youth Theater over the past 3 ½ years. He loves Spectrum Music and playing drums in Garage Band. John also has intense interest in appliances such as vacuum cleaners, fans, pencil sharpeners, etc. Other favorite activities include swimming, going down water slides, running, playing basketball, doing laundry and riding his bike.



JONATHAN GREEN

is a 15 year old homeschooled student who enjoys reading. This is his second year in the Spectrum Project. He

loves his family and traveling around the US to visit his many brothers and sisters. His favorite interests are clocks, animals (he helps train and take care of his dog Aza), games, piano (he is currently composing his second piece called Dragon) and church youth group. He hopes to volunteer at the Cedar Bend Humane Society this summer and to one day have his very own clock shop.



SAM HARBAUGH

is eight years old and is in second grade at Hudson Elementary. This is his second year in the Spectrum Project. After school Sam loves to go "play" at Homestead each day with his friends there. Sam loves to sing, play video games with his brother, watch movies, and play outside. He is very interested in animals and loves to play with his animal figurines and read books about them. He loves movies, minions, and Robo-Dog. He is also a fantastic swimmer!



EMMA HOVANEC

is in 9th grade at Holmes Jr. High. This is her second year in the Spectrum Project. Emma loves school. She also loves to sing, ride her scooter, play games and watch YouTube videos. Emma loves to travel and hang out with her cousins.



MAYA JENSEN is a second grader at Cedar Falls Schools. This is his second year in the Spectrum Project. She loves to read, write, play outside, and swim. Maya participates in Church,

UNI Sparkles Cheerleading, and softball.



DAYTON JENSEN

is a second grader at Cedar Falls Schools. This is his second year in the Spectrum Project. He loves to play outside, swim, and help others. Dayton participates in Church and UNI Sparkles Cheerleading.



JOSHUA KREGER

is eleven years old and in fourth grade. This is his second year in the Spectrum Project. He enjoys ice skating, drawing, and anything Goose Bumps. He recently was given an old typewriter and has been busy typing. He loves drawing and is great at looking at a picture and duplicates it perfectly. He also plays Cello in orchestra. Joshua's goal in life is to be an animator for Pixar Studios.



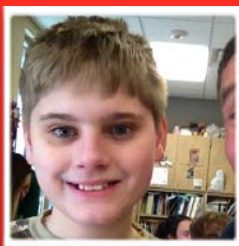
TRISTAN KUHN

is an elementary student at Orchard Hill in Cedar Falls. This is his second year in the Spectrum Project. His favorite things include Taylor Swift, dancing, singing, and giving hugs. He also loves to swim and be in the water. Tristan has the best smile and the biggest heart. During his time at Spectrum, Tristan enjoyed strumming chords on the ukulele and singing loudly for all to hear! He has a special companion, a Service Dog named Tu who assists him and also had a great time at Spectrum. Tristan and Tu love

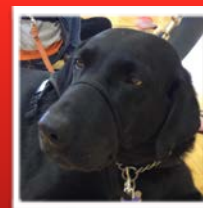


CHASE LYMAN

is 13 years old and attends River Hills. This is his first year in the Spectrum Project. He loves to play video games; Mario Brothers games is a favorite. In Spectrum, he really enjoys playing with the ocean drum and his favorite activity was Amoeba tag - he enjoyed running with the group in order to catch other friends. Chase also loves music and is currently taking trumpet lessons. In the Summer, Chase likes to go to Amusement parks and ride roller coasters.

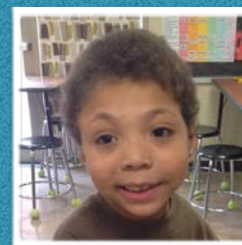


TU is Tristan's special companion and comes to Spectrum Project every weekend. She loves to explore the outdoors with Tristan.



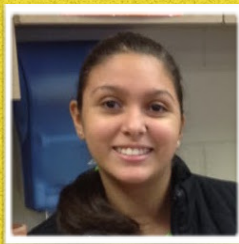
TAYT LIND

is in Kindergarten at North Cedar Elementary. This is his first year in the Spectrum Project. He loves to sing, listen and play music. He especially loves the artist Raffi. Tayt likes to spend time with his friends, brothers and grandparents. He likes anything with wheels including tractors, buses, bikes and scooters.



KENDAL MASLAK

is 14 and in 8th grade at Holmes Junior High School. This is her second year in the Spectrum Project. She likes singing, bowling, playing with her cousins, and hockey. Kendall was recently selected by the Epilepsy Foundation to be the Iowa delegate at the Teens Speak Up conference in Washington D.C. in April.



BRADY

is 6 years old and is in Mrs. Denton's Kindergarten Class at Lou Henry Elementary School in Waterloo. This is his first year in the Spectrum Project. He loves all things Disney. Brady loves going outside to act like a scientist who inspects bugs and rocks. His favorite activity is playing Good Guys versus Bad Guys with his Dad and brother.



CHARLI PETERSEN

is a 7th grader at Holmes Middle School. This is her first year in the Spectrum Project.

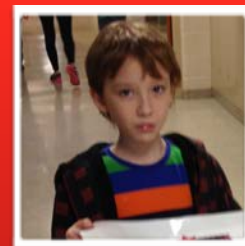
Charli is on the Cedar Valley Blast swimming team, loves to scuba dive, and read Harry Potter. Charli plays clarinet in band and is also in a garage band at Holmes Jr. High called ECHOES.



ERIK PLOURDE

is a 2nd grader at Lincoln Elementary in Cedar Falls. This is his first year in the Spectrum Project.

He enjoys music and takes piano lessons. He loves legos and video games and gets to participate in 3rd grade math at Lincoln.



CATIE POLOK

is 12 years old and in 5th Grade at Poyner Elementary. This is his second year in the Spectrum Project. She enjoys singing, dancing, reading books, being a cheerleader and helper. She recently has been learning yoga and cooking at school. Catie participates in the Leader in Me at Poyner Elementary and is a Birthday Singer with her peers. Catie has been a UNI Sparkle Cheerleader for the last 3 years and loves to perform, stunt, and cheer on the UNI Panthers!



ISAAC ROUW

is 14 and in 9th grade at River Hills School. This is his first year in the Spectrum Project.

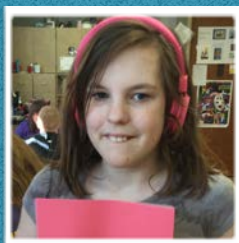
He enjoys shooting baskets, doing laundry, playing video games, swimming, and listening to country music. He is an amazing helper and isn't afraid to share with others. Isaac also loves to play sports and show off his basketball skills by making half court shots.



DANIELLE SHIMP

is 11 and is in 6th grade at Hoover Middle School. This is her second year in the Spectrum Project. Danielle enjoys any outside

summer activities and is very active. She also likes watching shows, movies, singing and dancing. Danielle really loves Minnie Mouse and anything Disney! This semester, Danielle made the honor roll at Hoover Middle School. Danielle's favorite activity at Spectrum is art where she has made tons of creative masterpieces and drawings!



ANNABETH VOLZ

is a 6th grader at Cedar Heights Elementary school. This is her first year in the Spectrum Project. She love

video games, watching movies, creating any kind of art, and she loves reading Warrior Cats. Annabeth's favorite activity at Spectrum is art and music where she can create lots of masterpieces and music. Her favorite candy is Kit Kat bars and she is so excited to perform for all of you.



RILEY WEIDMAN

is 11 years old and a 5th grader at Lincoln Elementary in Cedar Falls. This is his first year in the Spectrum Project. He very much enjoys performing and regularly makes videos of himself singing everything from Adele to hymns. Riley is an altar boy at Queen of Peace Catholic Church. He enjoys learning about music composers and participates in the Lincoln Chorus. Riley is a great performer and singer! He is nice to fellow buddies and always has an upbeat attitude. If you're around Riley, he will always brighten your day!



ELIJAH WILLIAMS is 13 years old and in 8th grade at Central Middle School. This is his second year in the Spectrum Project. Elijah loves to go swimming and enjoys spending time with his brothers. Elijah also loves to travel and this past summer had a chance to visit and take a tour of the White House in Washington DC. Elijah loves art and music! He also enjoys being active and running around every chance he gets. Elijah is very excited to perform for you all!



ABBIE WILLSON

is 10 years old and in 5th grade at Lincoln Elementary. This is her first year in the Spectrum Project. She has enjoyed being in the Spectrum Project enormously - especially the dance portion! Abbie plays the clarinet with the school band, and also plays the piano. She love gymnastics and is quite good at it! She likes movie night with her family and hanging out with her friends. She loves science and hopes to be a veterinarian when she grows up!



THOMAS

YOUNG is 10 and a 4th grader at Kittrell Elementary. This is his second year in the Spectrum Project. Loves music and airplanes. His favorite color is green. He loves to tell and act out stories for his friends. He always comes to Spectrum with a story to tell. Thomas loves that he gets to be a bird in the play for Spectrum because it is the closest animal to an airplane. A lot of the artwork he has produced in Art has an airplane somewhere on it. He has great dance moves that he loves to show off in Music and Movement. Thomas always has a smile on his face! He always knows how to make others smile too.



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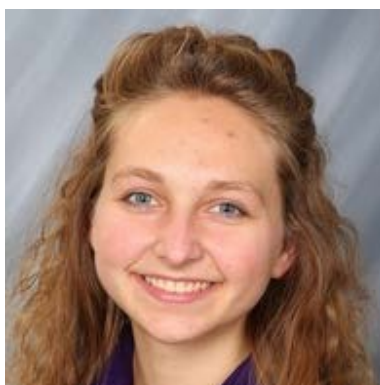
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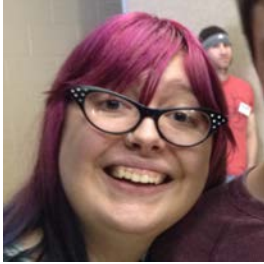


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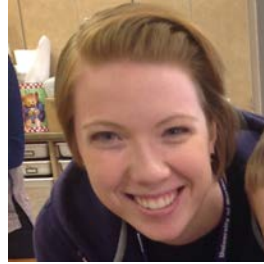


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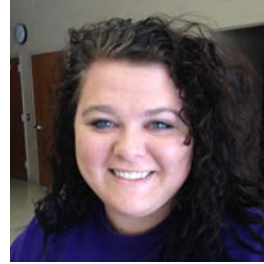
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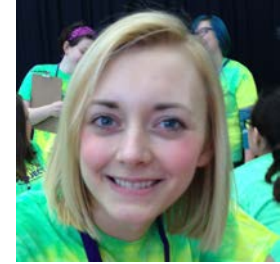
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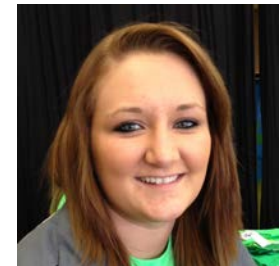
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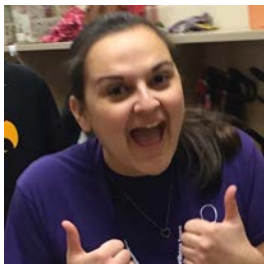
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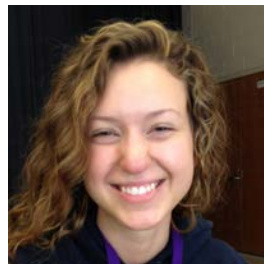
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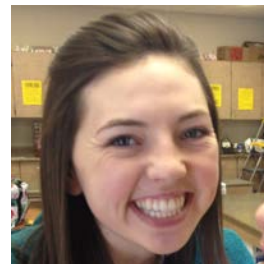
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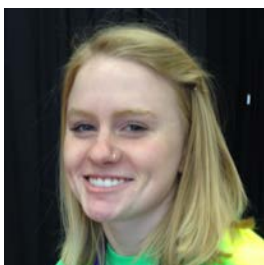
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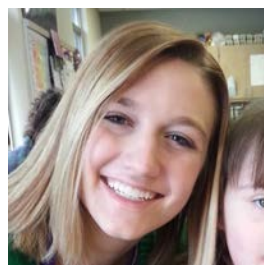
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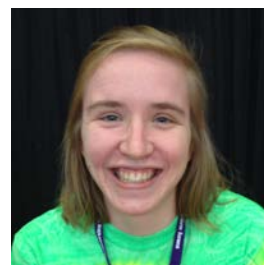
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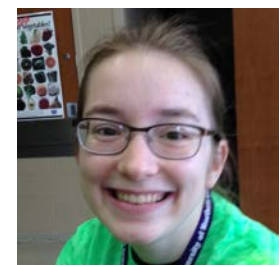
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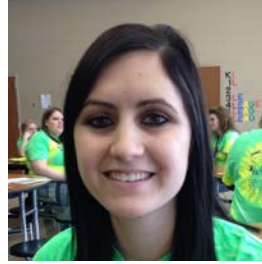
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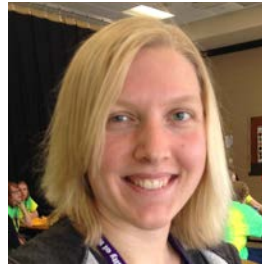
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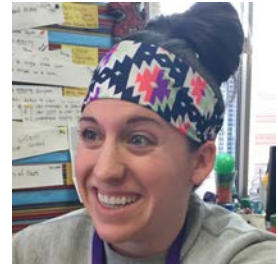
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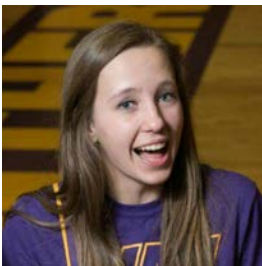
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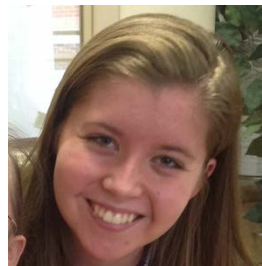
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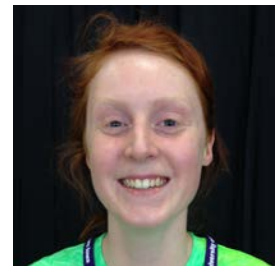
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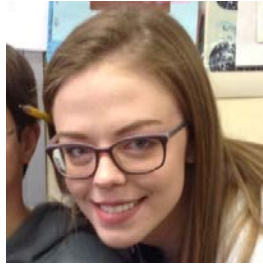


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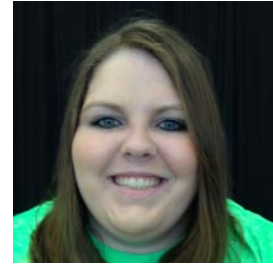
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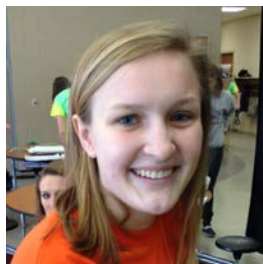
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GET INVOLVED...YES, YOU!

Are you passionate about helping others with special needs? Are you passionate about helping others to have a wonderful experience in the arts? Are you interested in becoming a Spectrum Project Buddy for the 2017 Spectrum Project season?

Here's your chance! The 2017 Spectrum Project programs need dedicated, passionate, enthusiastic and excited future professionals to make next year's Spectrum Project better than ever!

Most of the Spectrum Project Buddies involved with this year's program began with little or no experience teaching children with special needs. Buddies come from UNI, Allen College and Hawkeye Community College. Spectrum Buddies can be any majors. This year our buddies are majoring in Social Work, Psychology, Art Education, Communication Sciences & Disorders, Elementary Education, Music Education, English education, Occupational Therapy, Exercise Science, and Theatre for Youth to just name a few.

As buddies, students learn to apply motivational and instructional straggles, which improve their ability and willingness to teach, work, and empathize with children with special needs. Better yet, they get to know a wonderful kid!

For more information about getting involved in the UNI Spectrum Project, go to spectrumproject.org or email Kevin Droe at kevin.droe@uni.edu

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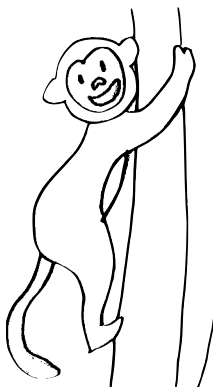
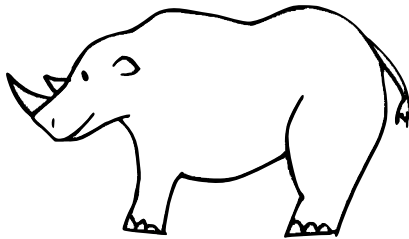
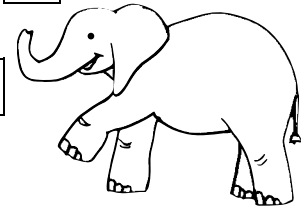
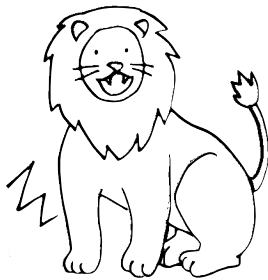
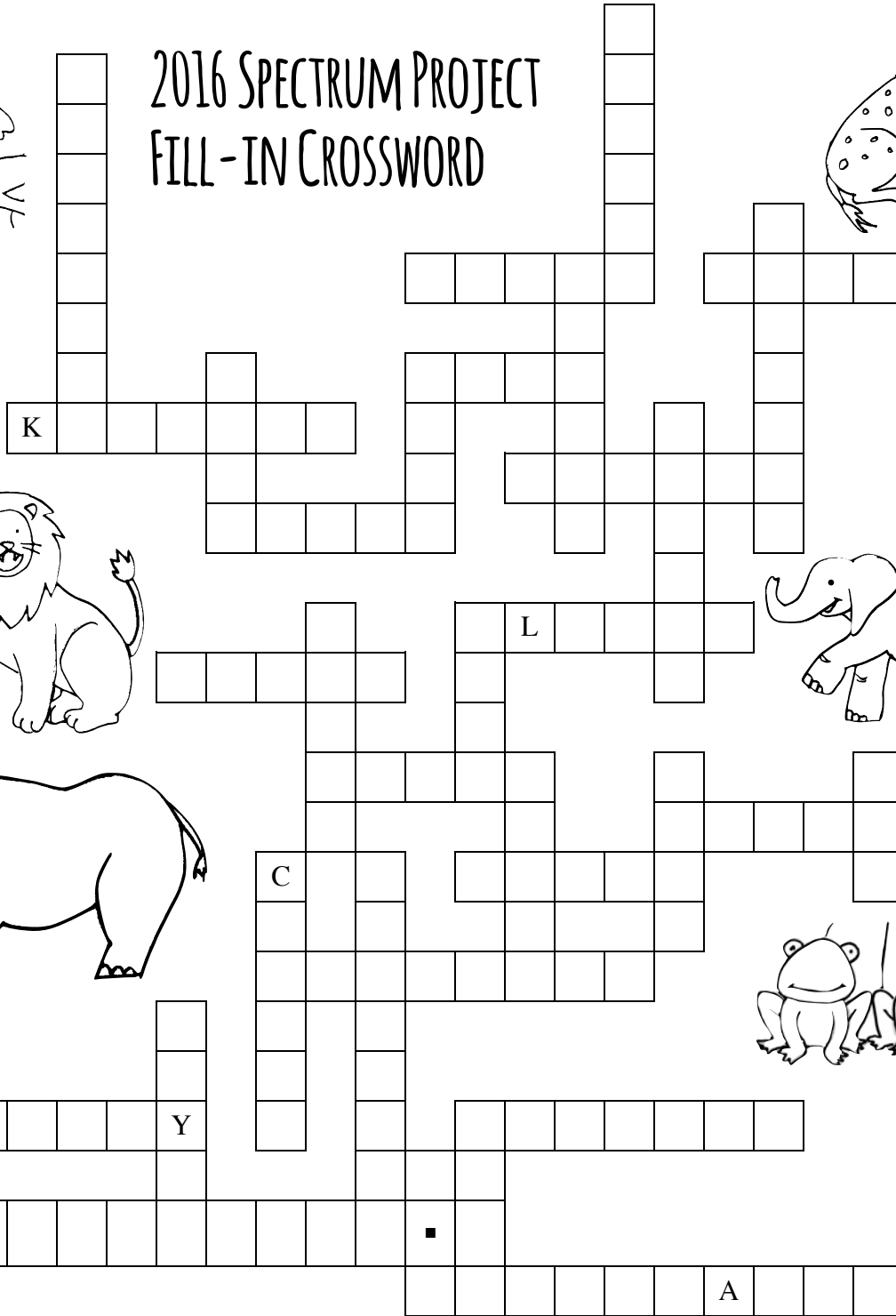
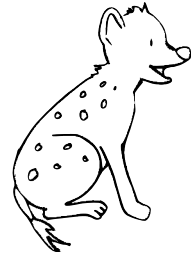
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