

Get Involved Pack 2019-2020

Royal & Derngate Youth Theatre & Young Company's ethos is to provide all young people aged between 4 and 21 with an opportunity to explore their creativity and express themselves in a professional, safe, and supportive environment - by primarily focusing on learning ensemble-based theatre skills through workshop, rehearsal and performance.

HOW DO WE ACHIEVE IT?

- Regular communication with Parents/Guardians and members.
- Exploring a range of theatre styles.
- Encouraging commitment on a yearly basis to ensure development of the young person.
- Presenting work through informal end of term sharings and productions.
- Offering a bursary for young people who might not be able to engage because of financial difficulty.

WEEKLY GROUPS – PLEASE NOTE THAT SOME AGE GROUPS HAVE CHANGED

YOUTH THEATRE: ACT & PLAY!

For ages 4 - 7

Saturdays 10am - 11am

This group focuses on developing confidence and social skills, allowing children to learn basic theatre skills through creative play.

Having Fun, through theatre!

This
group is only
£50 per term!

YOUNG COMPANY: DEVISE

For ages 13 - 21

Tuesdays 7.30pm – 9.30pm*

This Young Company is the perfect group for those of you with an interest in creating your own theatre. You will be working with a professional director, exploring different devising techniques and much more. This company will create a brand new piece of theatre which has the voice of young people at its heart.

If you are passionate about creating your own work, this group is for you!

YOUTH THEATRE: SATURDAY

For ages 8 - 12

Saturdays

ACT ONE - 11.30am - 1pm

or

ACT TWO - 1.30pm - 3pm*

You have a choice of group this year, either Act One (11.30pm-1pm) or Act Two (1.30pm-3pm). As a company of actors you will work together discovering what skills you need to perform, putting them into practice in our annual *SCHOOL SHORTS* festival.

ACT ONE - create a play from scratch

ACT TWO - work from pre-written play

Create, perfect and perform in a mini festival.

YOUNG COMPANY: MUSICALS[¥]

For ages 13 - 21

Wednesdays 7.30pm - 9.30pm*

This group will present the flagship production of the 19/20 season.

The company will be working on the skills you need to be a musical theatre performer and the year will culminate in a large scale production which will perform across a week in the Royal Theatre.

After the success of *BUGSY MALONE & OLIVER!* this is a project you won't want to miss out on!

A large scale production, with lots of commitment required!

YOUTH THEATRE: MUSICALS

For ages 9 - 12

Wednesdays 5.30pm - 7pm*

This group will present the flagship production of the 19/20 season.

The company will be working on the skills you need to be a musical theatre performer and the year will culminate in a large scale production which will perform across a week in the Royal Theatre.

After the success of *BUGSY MALONE & OLIVER!* this is a project you won't want to miss out on!

A large scale production, with lots to do!

YOUNG COMPANY: CONNECT

For ages 13 - 21

Thursdays 7pm - 9pm*

This Young Company will be taking part in NATIONAL THEATRE CONNECTIONS. The play will be performed as a 'home' performance and then again at the regional theatre festival. Finally, if we are picked, there is the opportunity to perform at London's National Theatre.

Rehearsing and presenting new writing as part of a project run by the National Theatre, London!

YOUTH THEATRE: EXPLORE

For ages 8 - 13

Mondays 11am - 12.30pm

This group is for young people who are part of the home school community and will focus on developing creativity, confidence and social skills, enabling participants to learn together through theatre.

Sessions will focus around a topic and explore creative ways to engage with that topic.

A chance to create and collaborate!

YOUNG COMPANY: PREPARE

For ages 14 - 21

Tuesdays 5.30pm - 7pm

SPECIAL 5 WEEK COURSE - 8 Oct- 12 Nov

£35 for 5 weeks

This Young Company will work on audition preparation equipping you with the tools to take on auditions, whether they be for college, university, drama schools, or National Youth Theatre. The company will also work together to explore what makes a good audition speech for different situations.

Giving you the skills to succeed in an audition.

**ONLY
£35 FOR ALL
5 SESSIONS!**

GROUPS TAKING PLACE IN LOCAL SCHOOLS

YOUTH THEATRE: ACT THREE

Taking place at

Vernon Terrace Primary School

With support from the Andrew Lloyd Webber Foundation, and following the successful launch of this group last year, we are delighted to bring it back to Vernon Terrace again this year. The group will be working with a theatre practitioner to create a piece ahead of their performance at this year's SCHOOL SHORTS Festival.

Create, perfect and perform in a mini festival.

YOUNG COMPANY: CREATE

Taking place at

Northampton International Academy

This Young Company will be taking part in NATIONAL THEATRE CONNECTIONS. The play will be performed as a 'home' performance and then again at the regional theatre festival. Following the success of *SALT* last year, we are delighted to be offering this opportunity to NIA students again next year.

Rehearsing and presenting new writing as part of a project run by the National Theatre, London!

* Times may vary - please check the Commitment Agreement

¥ This group has an extra audition entry

HOW DO I APPLY?

After reading through this pack, as well as the 'Need To Know' document, simply complete the registration form and send it to our Youth Theatre Manager, as soon as you're ready.

If we offer you a place, your first session will be a 'taster' - if after that session you are interested in joining, you should pay the term's fees at the Box Office or by ringing 01604 624811 before the next session. After the session, if you decide not to take up the place, please let us know as soon as possible so we can offer someone else the opportunity.

You want to join? Just follow these 5 steps...

- 1) Fill in the Registration Form at the end of this pack.
- 2) Complete the relevant Commitment Agreement forms for the groups you are applying for.
- 3) Attach a photo (so we can recognise you).
- 4) Attach a photocopy of a passport or birth certificate.
- 5) Post the forms back to us or email them to getinvolved@royalndderngate.co.uk

YOUTH THEATRE & YOUNG COMPANY PRODUCTIONS 2019/20

Use the information below to read about all of the shows we will be presenting next year. See which ones you would like to be involved with and use the timetable to check which group are doing that production. Then write that on your application form.

LISTEN UP!

Spring Term 2020

Performing in the Underground Studio

This company will create a brand new piece of theatre which has the voice of young people at its heart. It is a chance to hear and see what the young people today are passionate about. If you care about the voice of the next generation, then you need to see this.

Performed by Young Company: Devise

SCHOOL SHORTS

Spring Term 2020

Performing in the Underground Studio

Featuring top quality writers, this short festival promises to give an opportunity to some of the youngest and brightest performers from Northampton.

Performed by Youth Theatre: Saturday
& Youth Theatre: Act Three

NATIONAL THEATRE CONNECTIONS 2019

Home performances: February 2020
& Connections Festival: Spring 2020

Performing in the Underground Studio

National Theatre Connections is a festival organised by the National Theatre, London. They commission playwrights who are at the peak of their careers to write a play specifically for young people to perform. This year we are entering two innovative and ensemble-driven productions.

Performed by Young Company: Connect
& Young Company: Create

ROYAL MUSICAL

Summer 2020

Performing in the Royal Theatre

We are in the process of securing the title of a musical for the summer term in 2020, which is why we can't announce the title just yet. However, our ambition is to build on the success of *Bugsy Malone* and *Oliver!* in a joint Youth Theatre and Young Company flagship production full of dance, song and drama in a show-stopping spectacle for all ages!

Performed by Youth Theatre: Musicals
& Young Company: Musicals

APPLYING FOR ANY YOUNG COMPANY GROUP?

Get in touch to book your place on our Young Company Workshop Day – this is an opportunity for you to try out each group to decide which one is best for you.

APPLYING FOR YOUNG COMPANY: MUSICALS?

You will need to attend DAY 2 of Young Company Workshop Day and book an audition slot
Get in touch to find out more.

REGISTRATION FORM 2019/20

PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLOCK CAPITALS

Participant Information

The young person taking part

Full Name			
Date of Birth	DD / MM / YYYY	Current Age	
Mobile Number			
Email Address			
Postal Address			
Post Code		School name	

Group Preference

1st Choice		<input type="checkbox"/> Please tick here if you'd like to be considered for both groups
2nd Choice		

Further Requirements

Do you have any physical / mental / health requirements (e.g. wheelchair access / asthma / anxiety)?	
Do you have any special educational requirements (e.g. Dyslexia / dyspraxia)?	

Parent / Guardian's Information *(for our Emergency Contact details)*

It is **ESSENTIAL** that the person named below is available and contactable during rehearsals/workshop time.

Full Name			
Mobile Number			
Alternative Telephone Number			
Email Address			
Postal Address			
Post Code			

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

DATE RECEIVED

GROUP OFFERED

DATE OFFERED

DATE ACCEPTED

PERMISSIONS AND AGREEMENT

We expect the following from all parents/guardians:

All Youth Theatre & Young Company Members to be dropped off and collected in person from Underground 3 by their parent/guardian, unless the box below is ticked.

Youth Theatre & Young Company members **will not be allowed into the centre of Northampton unaccompanied** on breaks or in between shows (on show days) and we will arrange for them to be supervised by one of our Assistant Practitioners, if required, **unless the box below is ticked**.

I am happy for my dependent to arrive/leave the building unaccompanied at the beginning/end of session (i.e. to meet me in my car outside) or on breaks during all day rehearsals or in-between shows (on show days)

Please note; if you have not agreed to the above option and later change your mind, your dependant will **not** be allowed to do this until the Youth Theatre Manager has received a letter from you, **stating that you now give your permission**.

Photographs, video & audio recordings

By ticking below you are giving / not giving Royal & Derngate permission for any photographs, videos or audio recordings taken/recorded at any time during your dependents engagement to be used for marketing purposes.

I agree for any photographs, video or audio recordings to be used for marketing and archive purposes

I do not agree for any photographs, video or audio recordings to be used for marketing and archive purposes

Let's keep in touch!

By ticking below you are giving / not giving Royal & Derngate permission to contact you (the participant) and your parent/guardian for any future marketing and/or ticket offers and/or engagement opportunities.

Tick here to **opt in** for future communications

Tick here to **opt out** of future communications

By signing below, you give Royal & Derngate permission to update or set-up an account on our Box Office System for the participant & parent/guardian using the information and preferences enclosed.

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions outlined in the **'Need to Know'** document:

Participant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent / Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return this form, Commitment Agreements, photo, copy of your passport/birth certificate and the Medical Details form to getinvolved@royalandderngate.co.uk or via post to: Youth Theatre Manager, Royal & Derngate, Guildhall Road, Northampton, NN1 1DP

YOU'RE NEARLY THERE..!

Have you read through the **NEED TO KNOW** document?

It is packed full of all our policies as well as going into detail about our casting processes.

Go to [\[INSERT LINK\]](#) to read it now.

If you would like a printed copy, please get in touch.

MEDICAL FORM

First names of participant: _____ Surname of participant: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Address of participant: _____

NOTE: THIS INFORMATION WILL BE HELD IN CONFIDENCE

Northampton County Council require us to store all records for 6 months from the day of the last performance. After this date they will be destroyed.

Does your dependant suffer from any of the following:

ASTHMA	YES / NO
NOSE BLEEDS	YES / NO
CHEST COMPLAINT	YES / NO
WHEEZING OR HAYFEVER	YES / NO
MIGRAINE	YES / NO
FITS OR FAINTS	YES / NO
BAD PERIOD PAINS	YES / NO
DIABETES	YES / NO
NERVOUS DISORDERS	YES / NO
ANY ALLERGIES	YES / NO
ANY OTHER ILLNESS OR DISABILITY	YES / NO

If YES, please give details:

Doctor: _____ Hospital Consultant (if applicable): _____

Address: _____ Hospital: _____

Tel No: _____ Tel No: _____

National Health No: _____

Is the participant receiving any medical treatment at present? YES / NO

If YES please give details. Please also give details of any medication they are on:

Has the participant had contact with any infectious illnesses within the last month? YES / NO

If YES please give details:

IN AN EMERGENCY WE SHOULD CONTACT THE FOLLOWING PERSON:

NAME _____ RELATIONSHIP TO PARTICIPANT _____

DAYTIME TEL NO. _____ EVENING TEL NO. _____

EMERGENCY PERMISSION

I authorise any of the Royal & Derngate's trained First Aid staff to administer first aid to the participant in the event of an accident.

I also give permission for them to be treated by a Paramedic.

SIGNED _____ RELATIONSHIP TO PARTICIPANT _____

PRINT NAME _____ DATE _____

ONLY 2 PAGES TO GO!

We know that this is a lot to fill out, but we ask for all this information now, so we won't bother you again throughout the year

Keep going!

Don't forget to attach a photocopy of your birth certificate or passport with this application

Royal & Derngate aims to establish and maintain an environment, practices and procedures which will ensure that no member of one of our groups/workshops receives less favourable treatment on the grounds of race, religion, belief, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origins, disability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation or age.

To ensure we are responding to our audiences and members we are choosing to monitor ethnic origin, gender and sexual orientation, and would be grateful if you would complete this form to enable us to do this. The information provided will be treated as strictly confidential. It will be used for monitoring purposes within the organisation and will assist us to make decisions in the future. Please note; the categories used are those recommended by the Office of National Statistics and the charity Stonewall.

Ethnic Origin

White

British Irish Gypsy / Irish Traveller Any other white background

Mixed

White & black Caribbean White & black African White & Asian
Any other mixed / multiple ethnic background

Asian / Asian British

Indian Pakistan Bangladeshi Chinese Any other Asian background

Black/Black British

African Caribbean Any other black background

Other

Arab Any other ethnic group Not known/prefer not to say

Gender Identity: What best describes your gender?

Female Male Non-binary e.g. androgyne Prefer not to say

Prefer to self-describe:

Is your gender identity the same as the sex you were assigned at birth?

No Yes Prefer not to say

Sexual Orientation

Bisexual Gay Man Gay Woman / Lesbian Heterosexual / Straight
Prefer not to say

Age (Please tick appropriate age range)

0-19 20-34 35-49 50-64 65+ Prefer not to say

DON'T FORGET YOUR COMMITMENT AGREEMENT!

– There are a lot, please only complete the ones relevant to your application.

*If you are applying for a Young Company place, please fill out **all** Young Company Commitment Agreements*

Without them we will be unable to process your application!

FINAL FEW QUESTIONS...

If English is your second language, what is your first language?

Are you entitled to free school meals?

No Yes Prefer not to say

Are you entitled to pupil premium support at school?

No Yes Prefer not to say

Are you a looked after child?

No Yes Prefer not to say

Are you involved in other school-based extra-curricular activities (e.g. clubs)?

If so, please write down what it is you do

Have you an EHC plan (formally Statements of SEN and Learning Difficulties Assessments)?

No Yes, if so, please explain on separate sheet Prefer not to say

Have you a disability and if so, what is the nature of that disability?

Non-disabled Visual impairment Hearing Impairment/Deaf Physical Disabilities
Cognitive or Learning Disabilities Mental Health Condition Other long-term/Chronic Conditions

What school year are you in from September 2019?

Reception Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6
Year 7 Year 8 Year 9 Year 10 Year 11 Year 12 Year 13
University Year 1 University Year 2 University Year 3 N/A

YOU'RE DONE!

Have you...

Completed all 5 pages of the Registration Form

Attached a photo of yourself

Attached and completed the relevant Commitment Agreements

Attached a photocopy of your Birth Certificate or Passport

If all 4 boxes are ticked above, then WELL DONE you are ready to submit your application!

Email your completed application to getinvolved@royalandderngate.co.uk

or post it to **Youth Theatre, Royal & Derngate, 19-21 Guildhall Road, Northampton, NN1 1DP**

“Stick me on your fridge!”

Useful Contact information:

Trudy A Bell

Creative Learning Director

19-21 Guildhall Road
Northampton
NN1 1DP

Telephone: 01604 655740

Youth Theatre Mobile: 07957 566316 (*only on during session times*)

Email: trudy.bell@royalaldderngate.co.uk / getinvolved@royalaldderngate.co.uk

Term Dates and Payment Deadlines

	1 ST HALF OF TERM	HALF-TERM	2 ND HALF OF TERM
AUTUMN	9 September – 27 October	28 October – 3 November	4 November – 24 November
	Payment Deadline: Monday 30 September, 2018 by 5pm		
SPRING	6 January – 16 February	17 February – 1 March	2 March – 29 March
	Payment Deadline: Monday 27 January, 2020 by 5pm		
SUMMER	20 April – 24 May	25 May – 31 May	1 June – 5 July
	Payment Deadline: Monday 11 May, 2020 by 5pm		

Youth Theatre & Young Company Session Timetable

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	SATURDAY
YOUTH THEATRE: EXPLORE 10.30am-12pm	YOUTH THEATRE: ACT THREE 3.30-4.45pm Vernon Terrace Primary students only *different term dates* YOUNG COMPANY: PREPARE 5.30pm-7.00pm 8 Oct – 12 Nov only YOUNG COMPANY: DEVISE* 7.30pm – 9.30pm	YOUNG COMPANY: CREATE 3.30pm-5.30pm NIA students only *different term dates* YOUTH THEATRE: MUSICALS* 5.30pm – 7pm YOUNG COMPANY: MUSICALS* 7.30pm – 9.30pm	YOUNG COMPANY: CONNECT* 7pm – 9pm	YOUTH THEATRE: ACT & PLAY! 10am – 11am YOUTH THEATRE: ACT ONE 11.30am-1pm YOUTH THEATRE: ACT TWO 1.30pm – 3pm

*Times may change due to rehearsal schedule – see Commitment Agreement