**Lewisham Youth Theatre**

*All young people have a powerful voice and a right to be heard.*

During 2021, we’ve been working with young people across our age groups (8 – 21) to create three new plays about young people taking action on the issues affecting them.

In 2022, we’ll produce these plays with young people taking lead roles at all levels of the productions: young performers and writers; young directors and producers; young designers, stage managers and technicians.

LYT is seeking volunteers to support these Junior and Senior Youth Theatre projects. Directing Assistants work closely with the projects’ Lead Directors to help plan, support and deliver drama workshops.  This hands-on role usually includes opportunities to lead exercises, facilitate small group work and provide pastoral care for the participants.

We expect most sessions will take place in person but some may be via Zoom. Volunteers must be prepared to be flexible and able to take on new or challenging tasks as they arise.

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| **Spring Term 2022** | | |
| ***Short Projects*** | | |
| **Junior Youth Theatre 2**  **Workshop Group**  **(Ages 12 - 14)** | Introductory project for those new to LYT. Assisting tutors to deliver fun games and drama activities for a group of approx. 15 children aged 12 - 14 | **January – February**  *5 weekly sessions after school*  *Dates & times TBC* |
| **Technical Theatre Workshop Group**  **(Ages 12 – 17)** | This project introduces participants to different areas of backstage work eg. lighting, sound, and design through fun, practical activities. | **February – March**  **Mondays after school**  *5 weekly sessions*  *Times TBC* |
| **Senior Youth Theatre**  **Workshop Group**  **(Ages 14 - 17)** | Introductory project for those new to LYT. Assisting tutors to deliver fun games and drama activities for a group of approx. 15 young people aged 14 - 17 | **March – April**  *5 weekly evening sessions*  *Dates & times TBC* |
| ***Long projects*** | | |
| **Junior Youth Theatre 1**  **Performance Projects**    **(Ages 8 - 11)** | Assist directors to deliver sessions and rehearse group of approx. 15 children aged 8 - 11 | **January – May**  **Tuesdays after school**  **OR Saturday mornings** |
| **Junior Youth Theatre 2**  **Acting Company**  **(Ages 12 – 14)** | Assist directors to deliver sessions and rehearse group of approx. 15 children aged 12 - 14 | **March – July**  *Weekly sessions after school*  *Dates & times TBC* |

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| **Summer Term 2022** | | |
| ***Short projects*** | | |
| **Junior Youth Theatre 1**  **Workshop Group**  **(Ages 8 – 11)** | Introductory project for those new to LYT. Assisting tutors to deliver fun games and drama activities for a group of approx. 15 children aged 8 – 11. | **May - June**  *5 weekly sessions after school*  *Dates & times TBC* |
| ***Long projects*** | | |
| **Technical Theatre Production Group**  **(Ages 12 - 17)** | This project develops participants’ skills and knowledge in different areas of backstage work eg. lighting, sound, and design through fun, practical activities. | **April – July**  **Mondays after school**  *Dates & times TBC* |
| **Senior Youth Theatre**  **Workshop Company**    **(Ages 14 – 17)** | Assist directors to deliver sessions and rehearse group of approx. 15 young people aged 14 – 17 | **May – July**  *Likely Wednesday evenings*  *& some daytimes leading up to performance* |
| **Senior Youth Theatre**  **Acting Company**    **(Ages 16 - 21)** | Assist directors to deliver sessions and rehearse group of approx. 15 young people aged 16 – 21 | **June – July**  *Likely Thursday evenings*  *& some daytimes leading up to performance* |