

YOUNG ACTORS ACADEMY

open window theatre



2022-2023 Drama Classes

WHAT

Open Window Theatre's Young Actors Academy (YAA) is offering drama classes for youth ages 8-18 during the upcoming academic year: September 2022-May 2023. Participants gain confidence and develop creative talents as they participate in skills-based acting games & activities during bi-weekly (every other week) classes. Please note that our satellite location has specific dates that are not always biweekly. Theater fundamentals and language will also be learned, such as stage directions, theater terms, technical elements, and role study. Participants will have an opportunity to put everything into practice through two separate showcases, one at the end of each semester in December and May. Over the summer (2023), YAA participants are eligible for a discount on participation in our summer youth musical!

WHO

Youth 8-18 years old who would like to learn more about theater and improve their stage performance skills. All are welcome, from beginners to experienced actors/performers. All students will learn skills that will benefit them for their entire lives.

WHEN

Classes are divided into two semesters, running bi-weekly on Mondays, Tuesdays, Saturdays or Fridays at our satellite location at the Catholic Church of Saint Paul in Ham Lake. Each semester ends with a performance showcase. Students attend either all Monday classes, all Tuesday classes, all Friday classes, or all Saturday classes for the semester. A discount is available to students who sign up for both semesters at once at the beginning of the year. A complete class and performance schedule is provided below. Please note that our satellite location has specific dates that are not always biweekly. All Students must attend the mandatory dress rehearsal and both showcase dates. Our mandatory dress rehearsal and showcases will be at Open Window Theatre.

“YAA” GUIDING PRINCIPLES

1. We believe creativity is a gift from the Divine Artist to be used in service of the common good.
2. We believe creative training is a highly valuable tool for the mental, emotional, and spiritual growth of young people.
3. We believe that artists, as ambassadors of empathy, should treat others as they themselves wish to be treated, with love and mutual respect.

PARTICIPATION FEES

NOTE: Fees cover the full cost of participation in the classes, including any in-class materials, along with the showcase rehearsals & performances and two free showcase tickets. Students are asked to provide simple costume pieces for the showcases (for example: a plain shirt, pants, and plain, closed-toe shoes.) Youth are not expected to purchase anything outside of what they already own.

ONE SEMESTER:

- **\$225** - single participant fee for **ONE SEMESTER** (full rate)
- **\$202** - discounted rate for summer **Seussical** participants (10% off)

FULL YEAR:

- **\$445** - single participant fee for the **ENTIRE YEAR** (full rate)
- **\$400** - discounted rate for summer **Seussical** participants (10% off)

SUMMER DISCOUNT

Students that participate in the full year program will receive a 10% discount on participation in our 2023 summer youth musical (TBA). Students that participate in a single semester during the year will receive a 5% discount on our summer musical.

HOW TO REGISTER

Visit openwindowtheatre.org/youth and follow the link to fill out our online registration form for the 2022-2023 season of YAA youth drama classes at Open Window Theatre. Each class is limited to a max of 20 participants and requires a minimum of 6 participants. A separate registration form must be filled out for each student in a family. You will be asked to rate your top biweekly class preferences for each student and then you'll be assigned to a specific class following the completion of your registration (form + payment). We cannot guarantee that your top class preference will be honored.

Payment plans and tuition **scholarships** are available upon request. Contact Amanda or Katy for details: youth@openwindowtheatre.org // 612-615-1515

DEADLINE

Please register for the fall semester prior to Monday, September 12th. Thank you!

REFUND POLICY

All registration fees are final and no refunds in whole or in part will be issued except under the following circumstances:

1. If OWT, for whatever reason, is unable to place your student in a class or if you decide our class placement doesn't work for your student/family prior to the start of classes
2. If OWT cancels a class or showcase performance and is unable to reschedule

All other requests for a refund based on extenuating circumstances will be taken into consideration on a case-by-case basis.

CLASS SCHEDULE FALL 2022 SEMESTER

Monday Classes:

8-12 years // 4:30-5:30 PM
13-18 years // 5:45-6:45 PM
September 12, 26
October 10, 24
November 7, 21

+Dec 3 Rehearsal 9am-12pm @ OWT
+Showcases Dec 4, 5 at 7:00pm @ OWT

Friday Classes/Church of St. Paul Location:

8-12 years // 1:00-2:00 PM
13-18 years // 2:15-3:15 PM
September 9, 23
October 7, 28
November 4, 18

*Nov 11 will be a make up date if needed

+Dec 3 Rehearsal 9am-12pm @ OWT
+Showcases Dec 4, 5 at 7:00pm @ OWT

Note: these dates are
not always biweekly.

Tuesday Classes:

8-12 years // 4:30-5:30 PM
13-18 years // 5:45-6:45 PM
September 13, 27
October 11, 25
November 8, 22

+Dec 3 Rehearsal 9am-12pm @ OWT
+Showcases Dec 4, 5 at 7:00pm @ OWT

Saturday Classes:

8-12 years // 9:30-10:30 AM
13-18 years // 10:45-11:45 AM
September 17
October 1, 15, 29
November 12, 26

+Dec 3 Rehearsal 9am-12pm @ OWT
+Showcases Dec 4, 5 at 7:00pm @ OWT

DECEMBER SHOWCASE

Mandatory Showcase Rehearsal FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS:

Saturday, December 3, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM @ OWT

Showcase Performances:

Sunday, December 4: Call @ 6:00 PM / Performance @ 7:00 PM

Monday, December 5: Call @ 6:00 PM / Performance @ 7:00 PM

Each participant will receive 2 comp tickets. Additional tickets need to be purchased.

Tickets may be purchased at a later date.

CLASS SCHEDULE SPRING 2023 SEMESTER

Monday Classes:

8-12 years // 4:30-5:30 PM
13-18 years // 5:45-6:45 PM
February 13, 27
March 13, 27
April 10, 24

+May 6 Rehearsal 9am-12pm @ OWT
+Showcases May 8, 9 at 7:00pm @ OWT

Friday Classes/Church of St. Paul Location:

8-12 years // 1:00-2:00 PM
13-18 years // 2:15-3:15 PM
February 17
March 3, 31 **Note: these dates are not
always biweekly.**
April 21, 28
May 5
*March 17 will be a make up date if needed
+May 6 Rehearsal 9am-12pm @ OWT
+Showcases May 8, 9 at 7:00pm @ OWT

Tuesday Classes:

8-12 years // 4:30-5:30 PM
13-18 years // 5:45-6:45 PM
February 14, 28
March 14, 28
April 11, 25

+May 6 Rehearsal 9am-12pm @ OWT
+Showcases May 8, 9 at 7:00pm @ OWT

Saturday Classes:

8-12 years // 9:30-10:30 AM
13-18 years // 10:45-11:45 AM
February 18
March 4, 18
April 1, 15, 29

+May 6 Rehearsal 9am-12pm @ OWT
+Showcases May 8, 9 at 7:00pm @ OWT

MAY SHOWCASE

Mandatory Showcase Rehearsal FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS:

Saturday, May 6, 9:00 AM -12:00 PM @ OWT

Showcase Performances:

Monday, May 8 : Call @ 6:00 PM / Performance @ 7:00 PM

Tuesday, May 9 : Call @ 6:00 PM / Performance @ 7:00 PM

Each participant will receive 2 comp tickets. Additional tickets need to be purchased.

Tickets may be purchased at a later date.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT:

Amanda Weis - OWT Youth Coordinator
youth@openwindowtheatre.org

Or contact Katy in our main office at 612-615-1515

*****Please add youth@openwindowtheatre.org to your email contacts to ensure our emails .*****

FOR YOUR REFERENCE

The below statements are referenced in our electronic registration form.

Media Release Statement:

OPEN WINDOW THEATRE, YOUNG ACTORS ACADEMY and affiliates has my permission to use photographs, audio and video recordings, and other forms of media taken of my child for future publicity (including, but not limited to, publications, presentations, web content, social media, and play programs).

I also understand such content may include my student's full name and that no royalty, fee or other compensation shall be payable to me for use.

E-Signature Authorization:

As the parent or legal guardian of all registered youth/minors, I authorize this student to participate in Open Window Theatre's Young Actors Academy for either the fall 2022 semester classes, spring 2023 classes, or the entire 2022-2023 academic year. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless Epiphany Studio Productions (DBA: Open Window Theatre), along with its agents and employees, from all claims of liability arising from or related to the above named drama classes, except those arising from intentional acts of gross negligence.