



Open Window Theatre Youth Musical 2023

For youth ages 8-18

Registration for Young Actors Academy summer youth musical **Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka** is officially open! Spots are limited and are available on a first-come first-serve basis, so be sure to sign up early. **Willy Wonka** is a musical based on the Roald Dahl classic *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*.

Young Actors Academy 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.

PLEASE NOTE: Many families choose Young Actors Academy and Open Window Theatre for its faith-based foundations. Prayer as part of our classes or programming is always optional for students to participate in, but faith elements, including religious content in skits, is a common occurrence.

This summer we will have TWO CASTS of *Willy Wonka*:

Purple Cast and Yellow Cast

The Purple and Yellow casts will have separate rehearsal and performance schedules, but will be sharing the same set, props, and some costume pieces. Your participant will be in either the Purple or Yellow cast.

We are only taking the first 50 registrants for each cast. Sign up ASAP to reserve your spot.

Please triple check the calendar before signing up. There are three parts to the calendar: Rehearsals, MANDATORY DRESS REHEARSALS, and MANDATORY PERFORMANCES. Participants may have limited rehearsal conflicts to participate, but NO CONFLICTS for DRESS REHEARSALS and PERFORMANCES.

JULY & AUGUST 2023 SCHEDULE

Rehearsals:

Monday – Thursday, July 17 – August 10

PURPLE CAST : 9:00-12:00 PM

YELLOW CAST: 12:30 PM-3:30 PM

MANDATORY DRESS REHEARSALS FOR ALL:

Monday – Wednesday, August 14-16

PURPLE CAST : 9:00-12:00 PM

YELLOW CAST: 12:30 PM-3:30 PM

MANDATORY PERFORMANCES

PURPLE CAST:

Thursday, August 17 at 7:00 PM (call at 6:00 PM)

Saturday, August 19 at 2:00 PM (call at 1:00 PM)

Sunday, August 20 at 7:00 PM (call at 6:00 PM)

Friday, August 25 at 7:00 PM (call at 6:00 PM)

Saturday, August 26 at 7:00 PM (call at 6:00 PM)

Sunday, August 27 at 2:00 PM (call at 1:00 PM)

MANDATORY PERFORMANCES

YELLOW CAST:

Friday, August 18 at 7:00 PM (call at 6:00 PM)

Saturday, August 19 at 7:00 PM (call at 6:00 PM)

Sunday, August 20 at 2:00 PM (call at 1:00 PM)

Thursday, August 24 at 7:00 PM (call at 6:00 PM)

Saturday, August 26 at 2:00 PM (call at 1:00 PM)

Sunday, August 27 at 7:00 PM (call at 6:00 PM)

CONFLICTS

Please carefully consider all known or potential conflicts with the above dates and times and list them on your registration form.

AUDITIONS for REGISTERED students

Students will be able to audition for named roles ahead of our summer program at Open Window Theatre Sunday, May 7 (2:00-4:00 PM).

A PARTICIPANT MUST BE COMPLETELY REGISTERED, INCLUDING PAYMENT, IN ORDER TO AUDITION.

Students may not be required to attend the entire audition time. Materials and details will be sent to students closer to the May 7 date. Any students joining after cast list is sent will be added to the ensemble.

Students DO NOT need to audition to be in the show or to receive an ensemble or small role.

****Students in the current spring semester YAA classes may audition before or after class and do not need to sign up for an audition spot. If the above date does not work for your schedule, a student may send in a recording or schedule an outside audition : youth@openwindowtheatre.org**

Students may not be called to every rehearsal. But everyone will be called to rehearsals for tech week starting August 14th, and must attend all performances for their cast. A cast list and further break down of rehearsal schedule will be sent by June 1st.

EXPECTATIONS

Putting on a musical is a combined effort between administration, staff, crew, volunteers, parents, and actors/participants. In order to create a positive experience and environment, make a show that is truly collaborative while also being challenging, educational, and of high quality, it is imperative that the following expectations be observed.

1. **Be prepared.** Participants are asked to bring a water bottle, pencil, and script to every rehearsal. Scripts will be sent home for participants to spend time at home memorizing lines, practicing their singing, and running choreography.
2. **Be kind.** There is a large range of ages, abilities, and experiences of participants. Everybody is welcome, whether this is their first or 1,459th time on stage!
3. **Every role and every participant is important.** There are a few named roles and a large ensemble in our show. Some sung and spoken lines that are under a named character may be redistributed to ensemble members. We ask that all participants be gracious in sharing roles or accepting solos. Every participant and character is fundamental to a successful production!
4. **Costumes.** Students may be asked to provide some basic pieces for costumes. Details will be communicated at a later date, but no participant is expected to purchase anything not found at home.
5. **Attendance.** August 14, August 15, and August 16 Rehearsals are MANDATORY.

Participants MUST also attend all performances for their cast *Every* participant is essential to the performance!

6. **HAVE FUN.** This musical is meant to be both a fun experience and a quality show. Let's work and have fun together!

PARENT VOLUNTEERS

We would love the help of parent volunteers in different capacities. There is a place on the registration form to indicate if you would like to be contacted to help in different areas of the production. We would appreciate your time and talent immensely! Each adult volunteer will receive one complimentary ticket for any performance.

REGISTRATION

TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR THIS PRODUCTION, you must fill out the registration form and make payment via the links provided in the email, or visit: openwindowtheatre.org/youth

TUITION PRICE

\$150 - PER PARTICIPANT

\$25 – T-SHIRT (Participants are not required to purchase a t-shirt.)

\$142.50 - 5% DISCOUNT FOR 1 SEMESTER 2022-20223 SCHOOL YEAR YAA PARTICIPANTS

\$135 - 10% DISCOUNT FOR FULL 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR YAA PARTICIPANTS

QUESTIONS & PROMO CODES

Email youth@openwindowtheatre.org for promo codes for above discounts.

If you have any questions, please email youth@openwindowtheatre.org

*please allow 2-3 business days to receive an answer to your email, please check your spam folder for communications, and add youth@openwindowtheatre.org to your contacts

Thank you!

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