

Riverside Youth Theatre Information Pack 2020



Ulster University and the Riverside Youth Theatre are embarking on a 10 week performing arts project, primarily aimed at engaging local children and young people aged 4 – 18 years old.

There is significant amount of established research regarding the positive influences from drama, theatre and the performing arts on children and young people. The benefits can be physical, emotional and social. Being creative and learning to make creative choices help young people to be better at thinking of new ideas, allowing them to view the world around them in new ways. Einstein said, "Imagination is more important than knowledge." Through their workshops and productions RYT aims to develop the next generation of 'big thinkers'

*** RYT MINIS (4-7 years old) & MIDIS (8-12 years old)**

Fee: £75 per child x 10 weeks

TERM 2 Workshops:

Saturdays 11.30am – 1.00pm – 25th January, 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th February, 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th March

This term the Minis and Midis will enjoy various sessions in drama, dance, movement, costume, props, storytelling, film and theatre building confidence, communication and creativity skills. They will be preparing and rehearsing towards their own unique showcase to be performed on the Riverside stage for family and friends on **Saturday 28th March at 1pm** (Admission Free but advance booking recommended.)

*** RYT SENIORS (13 – 18 years +)**

Fee: £80 per young person x 10 weeks

TERM 2 Workshops:

Saturdays 2pm - 4pm. 25th January, 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th February, 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th March

CONNECTIONS 2020

Each year the National Theatre in London commissions ten new plays for young people to perform, bringing together some of the UK's most exciting writers with the theatre-makers of tomorrow.

Every year, 300 youth theatre companies and over 6,000 young people from every corner of the UK produce a Connections play. This year RYT Seniors are lucky to join the bill! They will be performing Chris Bush's *The Changing Room* at the Riverside for friends, family and public on **Wednesday 11th March, 7.30pm.**

Tickets: £10

A lyrical piece about existing on the cusp and all the inevitable questions and confusions that come with it. Are we teenagers? Are we children? Do our parents embarrass us? It's about bodies in flux and perspectives shifting; knowing change is coming but not what that change will look like.

Set in and around a swimming pool, it follows a group of teens full of excitement, impatience and uncertainty, each with their own secret worries and desires for what comes next.

*Nb. The young people will be asked to perform at the Lyric Theatre in Belfast as part of the Connections programme at the start of April too – more details to follow from the RYT facilitators.

How to Apply

- 1) Fill in an application form (attached with this pack).
- 2) Pay enrolment fee in person or over the telephone.
- 3) OR - submit booking requests via email to: r.daley@ulster.ac.uk or apply and pay online at www.riversidetheatre.org.uk

PAYMENTS MADE IN PERSON/ TELEPHONE:

Riverside Theatre
Ulster University, Cromore Road
Coleraine
BT52 1SA
Opening Hours: 11am – 2pm (Wednesday – Friday and 1hr before all shows)
Box Office: 028 7012 3123

*Please note fees for the Riverside Youth Theatre cannot be exchanged or refunded.
Limited capacity per session – early booking advised to part of this exciting project

Riverside Youth Theatre Application Form

To apply to become a member of the Riverside Youth Theatre please provide us with the information required below.

Any field marked with an asterix (*) is required.

Your Personal Details:

First Name *: _____

Last Name *: _____

Gender *: Male / Female

Date of Birth *: _____

Address 1 *: _____

Address 2 *: _____

Town/ City *: _____

County: _____

Postcode *: _____

Telephone (Home) *: _____

Mobile: _____

Email *: _____

Emergency Contact Name *: _____

Relationship to young person*: _____

Emergency Contact Number*: _____

Which group are you applying for?

4-7 years (P1-3) 8-12 years (P4-7)

13-18 years (Post-Primary)

Access Requirements:

Please let us know of any access requirements that you have?

Allergies, illnesses or disabilities:

Please let us know of any allergies, illnesses or disabilities that we should know about?

Permissions:

The Riverside Youth Theatre will enable children and young people to take part in a variety of exciting workshops and events. During these activities, photos and/or videos may be taken and used on Riverside publicity, website and social media channels. Please indicate below which statement you agree to.

I am happy for photographs/videos to be taken of my child/ young person during youth theatre activities and used in theatre publicity, communications, and/ or digital channels (e.g. websites, social media).

I do not wish for any photographs/videos to be taken of my child/ young person during youth theatre activities.

Signature of parent or guardian: _____

Return this form and fee to the Riverside Theatre.
See accompanying Riverside Youth Theatre information pack for more details on this.