Schools Workshops 2025/26



We believe Chelmsford Theatre is the best place for these workshops to take place, nothing can bring students out of their shell like the magic of being in the theatre space! If requested, we can bring workshops to your school although please be aware this will incur a travel fee.

All workshops are subject to availability of the theatre and its facilitators.



Technical Theatre: Lighting Focus

Runtime 1 hour

Suitable for KS3 to KS5

Cost per session £60 + VAT Max capacity 20

Join us at Chelmsford Theatre for an engaging workshop led by our technical team, exploring the essentials of lighting and sound in performance. There will be opportunities for some hands-on experience with various pieces of equipment, with smaller groups allowing for more active involvement. The session concludes with a Q&A and is ideal for Drama GCSE or A Level students.

This session must take place at Chelmsford Theatre.

Technical Theatre: Tour and Q&A

Runtime 2 hours

Suitable for KS3 to KS5

Cost per session £150 + VAT Max capacity

Participants will get to experience both a backstage tour and a technical theatre talk (see above) in rotating groups, followed by a Q&A session with our Discover Programme Lead and a Theatre Technician.

This session must take place at Chelmsford Theatre.



Backstage Tour

Runtime 1 hour Suitable for KS1 to KS5

Cost per session £45+VAT

Max capacity 30

Discover the magic of the theatre with a behind-thescenes tour of Chelmsford Theatre! Walk onto the stage, explore the dressing rooms, and get an insider's look at how our theatre's history and diverse departments, from box office to technical teams, work together to create unforgettable productions. Please note, the tour is not step-free.

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The Front of House Experience

Runtime 1 hour Suitable for KS3 to KS5

Cost per session £60+ VAT Max capacity 20

The theatre's front of house team opens our café and box office doors to your students, ready to let them know what it takes to get a career in hospitality. Students will learn about local produce, roleplay customer service scenarios, and have a go at ticket scanning. The session concludes with a Q&A with a member of our front of house team.

This session must take place at Chelmsford Theatre.



Theatre Games

Runtime

1 hour

Suitable for KS2 to KS5 Cost per session

Max capacity 30

This lively, one-hour theatre games session aims to boost creativity, teamwork, and communication. Helping young people develop problem-solving, cooperation, and resilience in a fun, engaging way. Custom focus areas like communication, performance, or confidence can be arranged. Ideal for uniting a new group of students.

An Intro To...Theatre Practitioners

Runtime 2 hours

Suitable for Year 9 to Year 13

Cost per session £110+VAT Max capacity 30

Berkoff, Brecht and Frantic Assembly. Over an immersive two-hour experience, students will not only gain theoretical insights but also participate in practical activities that bring the practitioner's techniques and style to life. It's a fantastic way to ignite creativity, deepen theoretical understanding and inspire new ways of thinking about performance, perfect for groups embarking on devising projects or exploring scripted work.



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Rehearsal Techniques

Runtime 3 hours

Suitable for KS4 to KS5 Cost per session £160 + VAT Max capacity 30

This lively workshop offers students the thrill of mastering different rehearsal techniques, with opportunities to lead and run their own sessions after seeing them in action. Along the way, they'll dive into the play's characters, themes, and semiotics, sharpening their analytical and performance skills. With a diverse selection of captivating plays to choose from, or the option to focus on your students' current project, this workshop is perfect for inspiring confidence, creativity, and hands-on learning. It's an engaging experience designed to push boundaries and unlock new potential.

Our workshop leader can work with you to choose the best play to use, or we can use one your students are working with.

Blood Brothers

Runtime 2 hours

Suitable for Year 8 to Year 11 Cost per session £110 + VAT Max capacity 30

This workshop brings together performance, design, and rich contextual insights to give young people a deeper understanding of Blood Brothers, perfect for GCSE students looking to bring the play to life. Led by an experienced facilitator, students will have exciting opportunities to perform, direct, and explore the story in a hands-on way. Whether at the theatre or your school, this interactive session will inspire creativity and enthusiasm in your students.



Booking Information

If you are interested in booking one of our workshops, we would love to hear from you! Please complete the enquiry form above, and we will get back to you as soon as possible. If you would like more information, please email our Creative Engagement Officer Megan.

Email megan.crisp@chelmsford.gov.uk

Enquire about workshop booking here

