Schools Workshops 2025





Technical Theatre: Lighting Focus

Runtime 1 hour

Suitable for KS3, KS4, KS5 Cost per session £60 + VAT Max capacity 20

Content Summary

There is a lot that goes into bringing a performance to life, and the actors are only one part of it. Join us as a member of our technical team here at Chelmsford Theatre leads an engaging talk covering all you need to know about lighting, with a dash of sound thrown in for good measure! Get ready to try out some of the techniques he mentions as we go. Whilst this is a max of 30 group size, please note that the smaller the group the more hands on the workshop can be. We will conclude with a Q&A. This is a great session for those taking Drama GCSE or A Level.

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 £120 + VAT Max capacity
40

Content Summary

Here we will split your group into two, with half going on a backstage tour whilst the other half take part in the technical theatre talk. The groups then switch over, so all students experience both sessions. To round off the day, all the students will come together for a Q&A with our Discover Programme Lead and one of our Theatre Technicians, to discuss what they have learnt and ask any questions they have. This is a great session for those taking Drama GCSE or A Level. This session must take place at Chelmsford Theatre.

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The Front of House Experience

Runtime 1 hour Suitable for KS3 to KS5

Cost per session £55 + VAT Max capacity

Content Summary

The Theatre's front of house team open our café and box office doors to your students, ready to let them know what it takes to get a career in hospitality. Learn about our local journey, see the value of local produce, and roleplay some situations understand what makes great customer service! Then jump over to the box office to scan tickets and learn about everything they do to ensure customers can smoothly book tickets. Finish off in the bar, talking to our Front of House Manager Garry about his role and any questions you have. This session must take place at Chelmsford Theatre.

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The Theatre Games

Runtime
1 hour

Suitable for KS2 to KS5

Cost per session Max capacity
\$\frac{1}{2}60 + VAT\$

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Content Summary

Let the fun begin! One-hour high energy and fun theatre games session, designed to spark creativity, inspire teamwork and boost communication skills. A great way to bring a group together. The focus for the young people is just to throw themselves into it, without even realising they are building their problem-solving skills, developing cooperation and resilience. If you would like us to work on a particular focus, like communication, performance skills or confidence, please let us know when booking. This workshop is the perfect way to bring together a new group of students.

An Intro To...Theatre Practitioners

Runtime 2 hours Suitable for Year 9 to 13 Cost per session £110 + VAT 30

Content Summary

These introduction sessions give your students a chance to practically explore a theatre practitioner, no previous knowledge or experience necessary! Choose from Steven Berkoff, Bertolt Brecht, or Frantic Assembly for your group to practically explore on the day. Over the 2-hour session, students will build their theoretical knowledge as well as their practical understanding of what this practitioner's work looks and feels like. A great introduction for groups stepping into their devising or scripted work.

Offer: Book all three for £250, you can decide if you would like to do multiple sessions in one day or extend the workshops over a longer period. All we ask is that you book all sessions at the time of the original booking.

Blood Brothers

Runtime Suitable for Cost per session Max capacity 2 hours Year 9/KS4 £110 + VAT 30

Content Summary

This workshop brings together performance, design, and context to give young people a well-rounded understanding of the musical, Blood Brothers. Perfect for those who are studying it for their GCSE. With years of experience teaching Blood Brothers, our facilitator will bring the play to life for your students, giving them opportunities to perform and direct.

This workshop can take place at the theatre or your establishment

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Rehearsal Techniques

Runtime 3 hours

Suitable for KS4 tp KS5

Cost per session £160 + VAT Max capacity 30

Content Summary

In this workshop students will explore multiple rehearsal techniques, and after watching the facilitator put them into action, they will have a turn at running a rehearsal technique themselves! We will explore the play, the characters, the themes and semiotics. A great way to push students out of their comfort zone, whilst developing their performance and directorial skills. There are a wide variety of plays we like to use depending on the age and interests of your students, such as Lemons Lemons Lemons Lemons, Blackwatch, Oh! What A Lovely War, The Exam, Reasons to Be Pretty and Things I Know to be True.

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

Backstage Tour

Runtime 45 mins to 1 hour Suitable for All ages Cost per session £45 + VAT Max capacity 30

Content Summary

Experience the magic of going behind the scenes at our theatre. You'll learn about our theatre's history and how various departments from our box office to theatre technicians come together to make each production a success. Our backstage tours are suitable for all ages to enjoy.

Runtime
1 hour 30 mins

Suitable for KS3+ Cost per session £100 per school Max capacity
Unlimited

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These 90-minute sessions are focused on bringing schools together with people in creative careers in a meaningful and accessible way. Live steamed to your school from Chelmsford Theatre via YouTube, our four speakers will talk about their journey to their career, give advice on qualifications and experience, and share more information about their field. This is a live streamed session, so we ask that you remain at school and join us online as opposed to in person. If you cannot access the live streamed session, a recording can be made available for you to use instead. Upcoming sessions are 28 February and 6 June. You can also access the pre-reordered session from 22 October 2024 for just £50.

