

PRESS RELEASE Monday 15 March 2021

YOUNG LYRIC CLASSES AT THE LYRIC HAMMERSMITH THEATRE NOW ON SALE FOR SPRING-SUMMER 2021

- Accessible acting, dancing and music classes for ages 4-25 years based in West London
- Courses will run for 10 weeks from April 2021. Book now at www.lyric.co.uk

The Lyric Hammersmith Theatre is delighted to announce a new term of Young Lyric acting, dancing and music classes for young people from across West London. A variety of accessible courses are available for all abilities, aged 4-25 years, and will run for 10 weeks from April 2021. This will be the first time classes return to being delivered in person at the Lyric after many classes took place online over the past year to ensure continued opportunities for young people in the area despite the Lyric's closure due to lockdown. The new classes are open to young people in Brent, Ealing, Hammersmith and Fulham, Harrow, Hillingdon, Hounslow, Kensington and Chelsea, Richmond upon Thames and Wandsworth.

Young Lyric classes are delivered by nine Young Lyric Partners: Action on Disability, AMICI Dance Theatre Company, DanceWest, Lyric Hammersmith Theatre, Musiko Musika, New English Ballet Theatre, Tri-Borough Music Hub, Turtle Key Arts and Zoo Nation. The Young Lyric Partners all have unique expertise and work in partnership to nurture young talent and creativity in West London.

All classes will follow the Government's Out of School Settings Guidance and are open to a maximum of 15 participants per term to ensure safety for those taking part.

To book a class a young person must be a Young Lyric Member. Membership is free and provides access to classes, £5 tickets to all Lyric Main House shows and further creative opportunities throughout the year. Bursaries are available for some classes and can be applied for online.

All places must be booked in advance. For full details on classes, theatre safety measures and to book, visit the Lyric Hammersmith Theatre website www.lyric.co.uk or call the box office on 020 8741 6850.

DANCE CLASSES

Contemporary & Creative Dance, 6-10 years and 11-16 years

Explore contemporary dance technique, develop choreographic skills, and build confidence. Delivered in an inspiring and supportive environment by DanceWest.

Musical Theatre, 6-10 years and 11-16 years

Learn dance routines from stage and screen in a fun and supportive environment. DanceWest teachers are experienced industry professionals committed to help develop your full potential.

Inclusive Dance, 7-15 years and 16-26 years

A fun and inclusive dance class for disabled and non-disabled young people co-delivered by DanceWest and Action on Disability. Learn routines in a range of dance styles and develop choreography.

Zoo Nation, 4+ years

Weekly hip hop dance classes, from beginners to advanced, covering a range of styles from locking and popping to breaking and nu skool. Delivered by ZAD West, the West London training arm of the critically acclaimed hip hop dance academy Zoo Nation.

Children's Ballet, 5-7 and 8-10 years

Taught by leading industry professionals from New English Ballet Theatre, Beginners 1 classes are a fun way to improve musicality and develop coordination and creativity through ballet. Beginners 2 classes introduce new ballet steps, while developing body awareness, posture, balance, musicality and coordination.

Young Amici, 11-25 years

A dance theatre group for disabled and non-disabled young people. The classes are fully inclusive and suitable for all levels of experience. Explore dance theatre through various improvisation techniques and AMICI magic.

Amici, 18+

AMICI Dance Theatre Company is a unique dance theatre company integrating able-bodied & disabled artists and performers. Amici provides a safe space where the individual can release their creative energy to produce magical moments.

MULTI-ARTS CLASSES

Key Club, 16+ years

A creative arts and social club for people with autism spectrum conditions led by Turtle Key Arts. Recent workshops have included creative writing, singing and song-writing, film and video, visual art, script-writing for TV and Radio, drama, photography and stop-frame animation.

ACTING AND TECHNICAL CLASSES

Acting Up, 7-9 years, 9-11 years, 11-13 years, 14-17 years

A 10-week course working with other young people with support from exciting directors to develop your performing and devising skills, led by the Lyric Hammersmith Theatre.

Technical Theatre, 14–18 years

A brand new, free class led by the Lyric's own production team, learn technical theatre including stage management, set construction, lighting, sound, costume and more.

MUSIC CLASSES

ECCO - Ethnic Contemporary Classical Orchestra, 8-18 years

ECCO is a youth music ensemble run by Musiko Musika that reflects the diversity and musical interests of the young players and their families. The repertoire of music encompasses Europe, Africa, Asia and Latin America with performances at the Lyric and elsewhere.

Tri-Borough Music Hub

A range of classes for young people exploring singing and music tuition. Please contact Tri-Borough Music Hub directly for further information www.triboroughmusichub.org

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Notes to Editors

IMAGES available to download here

<u>Listings</u>

Young Lyric Classes at Lyric Hammersmith Theatre

Lyric Square, King Street, London, W6 0QL

www.lyric.co.uk

Box office: 020 8741 6850

Twitter: @LyricHammer

Instagram: <u>/LyricHammersmith</u> Facebook: <u>/LyricHammersmith</u>

Contemporary & Creative Dance

by DanceWest

Age: 6-10 years and 11-16 years

Mondays 5.15pm-6.45pm (11-16yrs group 1) from 26 April to 05 July (excl. 3 & 31 May); Thursdays 4.45pm-5.30pm (6-10yrs), 6pm-6.45pm (age 11-16yrs group 2), from 29 April to 08 July (exc. 03 June)

Musical Theatre

By DanceWest Youth Company Age: 6-10 years and 11-16 years

Saturdays 9.30am-10.15am (6-10yrs), 10-45am-11.30am (11-16yrs group 2) from 01 May to 10 July (excl. 5 June); Mondays, 5.15pm-6.45pm (11-16yrs group 1) from 26 April to 05 June (excl. 3 and 31 May)

Inclusive Dance

By DanceWest and Action on Disability

Age: 7-15, 16-26 years

Mondays 4.45-5.30pm (7-15yrs), 6pm-6.45pm (16-26yrs) from Monday 07 June to 05 July

Zoo Nation

by ZAD West

Age: 4+

Tuesdays 4.30pm-5.30pm (under 8s), 6pm-7pm (Beginners 8+) from 27 April to 06 July (excl. 01 June); Fridays 4.30pm-5.30pm (Intermediate 8+), 6pm-7pm (Advanced 8+) from 30 April to 09 July (excl. 04 June)

Children's Ballet

By New English Ballet Theatre

Ages: 5-7 and 8-10 years

Saturdays 12.20pm-1pm (5-7yrs), 1.30pm-2.30pm (8-10yrs) from 01 May to 10 July (excl. 5 June)

Young Amici

By AMICI Dance Theatre Company

Age: 11-25 years

Wednesdays 4.30pm-6.15pm, from 28 April to 07 July (excl. 02 June)

Amici

By AMICI Dance Theatre Company

Age: 18+

Wednesdays 7pm-9pm, from 28 April to 07 July (excl. 02 June)

Key Club

by Turtle Key Arts Age: 16-30 years

Saturdays monthly 10am-1pm or 2pm-5pm, 24 April, 22 May and 19 June

Acting Up

By Lyric Hammersmith Theatre

Age: 7-9 years, 9 - 11 years, 11-13 years, 14-17 years

Saturdays, 10am-12noon (7-9yrs), 10.30am-12.30am (9-11yrs) from 01 May to 10 July (excl. 05 June); Thursdays 4.30pm-6.30pm (11-13yrs) from 29 April to 08 July (excl. 3 June); Wednesdays 5.30pm-7.30pm (14-17yrs) from 28 April to 07 July (excl. 2 June).

Technical Theatre

By Lyric Hammersmith Theatre

Age: 14-18 years

Wednesdays 4pm-5.30pm from 28 April to 07 July (excl. 02 June)

ECCO - Ethnic Contemporary Classical Orchestra

by Musiko Musika Age: 8–18 years

Saturdays fortnightly 11am-12pm, 01 May to 03 July (Group A), 08 May to 10 July (Group B)

Tri-Borough Music Hub

www.triboroughmusichub.org