

SHEFF!ELD THEATRES

Schools Newsletter
Autumn 2019



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WELCOME!



Welcome to our autumn term newsletter, jam-packed with engagement opportunities to see you well into the New Year and beyond.

Sheffield Theatres Learning department supports in the delivery of a broad and balanced curriculum through engagement and creativity, delivering exciting workshops, projects and opportunities. Our work enables participants to understand more of our organisation and how theatre is made as well as to develop their passion and skill within the arts.

We're really excited to let you know all about our upcoming opportunities, there's lots coming up! If you have any further questions or want to know more, drop us an email at learning@sheffieldtheatres.co.uk

We hope to see you soon,

George and Malika
Learning Project Officers

TOUR AND EXPLORE DAYS

Ideal for both primary and secondary school engagement, for Arts Award programmes, creative enrichment or to support your curriculum, spend the day exploring with us through drama workshops, hands-on activities and a backstage tour, gaining invaluable insight behind the scenes and into theatre making.

Visit our webpage for Schools [here](#) to download the full listings for the Primary and Secondary Tour and Explore Days.

THE SHAKESPEARE EXPERIENCE

MADNESS AND MELANCHOLY



A dynamic, inspiring and fun-filled day of Shakespeare on the Crucible stages. Artistic Director **Robert Hastie**, along with Shakespeare scholars and practitioners, lead a series of interactive and exploratory workshops bringing to life Shakespeare's much-loved texts onto our unique thrust stage.

Date: 16 March

Where: Sheffield Theatres

Suitability: Secondary and KS5

Ideal for: Students of English and Performing Arts

Book through the Box Office on **0114 249 6000**.

WORK EXPERIENCE WEEK

Every year we host a week of work experience at Sheffield Theatres between July and August for those that are 14-19 years old. In 2020, work experience will be taking place between **Monday 6 and Friday 10 July**. Due to the limited number of spaces, we hold an application and selection process. Please note, **we only accept online applications** - the application form can be found under the **Get Involved** tab on our website.

Application deadline is **Monday 10 February**.

STORYFRAME



Storyframe is back! A term long creative project embedded into the curriculum which practically engages children and young people with every aspect of storytelling and the theatre-making process, including playwriting, technical theatre, design, marketing and performing.

Through weekly sessions led by an experienced playwright and drama specialist, with a literacy and drama focus, your class will develop an exciting narrative drawn from their cross curricula learning. Enriched with a tour and explore of the theatres and technical workshops, this narrative is then transformed into a brand new piece of theatre, written in collaboration with them and for them to perform.

Download the breakdown pack from the website [here](#).

Where: At your school and Sheffield Theatres

When: Spring term 2020, commencing January and culminating with a performance in the theatres 23-25 March

Suitability: For KS1-3

Ideal for: Performing Arts enrichment, Drama curriculum engagement, English curriculum engagement, Arts Mark projects.

Storyframe planning pre project

Tailored Storyframe preparation time with your facilitator, including curriculum mapping and generating resources.

Storyframe CPD on embedding drama into the classroom and rehearsing performance.

Half Term 1

A half term of weekly Storyframe sessions with the facilitator.

Marketing and theatre design workshops.

Developing a newly drafted narrative from the Storyframe sessions.

Half Term 2

Guided rehearsal and performance sessions.

An exclusive Storyframe Tour of Sheffield Theatres with mini light/sound workshop.

A brand new and bespoke play script to keep forever, performed by your group on our stages.

TEACHERS' INSIGHT

Take a tour of our theatres, get creative input and career insight from industry professionals and be part of the discussions on how Sheffield Theatres programmes for schools.

Next Insight: Tuesday 11 February at 5pm. Join us for a dynamic and fun session exploring a range of techniques, games and exercises to encourage creativity and confidence in primary aged learners through drama.

Future Insight: Tuesday 30 June at 5pm. How do we apply the methods and ideologies of our great theatre practitioners to help liberate students from tired themes and formats, making bold, brilliant and innovative drama? A fun and provocative session exploring what's useful and what we can dump!



To confirm your attendance please email the Learning Team at learning@sheffieldtheatres.co.uk.

UPCOMING SHOWS

Our new season has productions perfect for students. You can make school bookings through the Box Office with education rates across the majority of our shows. Find out more by clicking each show below. You can find our full brochure **here**.



GUYS AND DOLLS



THE ELVES AND THE SHOEMAKERS



A MONSTER CALLS



CINDERELLA



CORIOLANUS



AN INSPECTOR CALLS

A MONSTER CALLS OPPORTUNITIES

WORKSHOP

Accompanying the Old Vic's highly acclaimed production of **A Monster Calls**, this practical workshop is a fun and insightful way to delve further into the story and explore the play's production, themes and content.

Date: various

Where: At your school

Suitability: Secondary

Ideal for: Students of English and Performing Arts



PAGE TO STAGE

This 90 minute practical workshop allows participants to explore the role of the monster in the play. It will provide an opportunity for students to explore a number of vocal activities around passages of text. The participants will then work in groups to bring the monster to life, applying choral voice work and breath.

The practical element of the workshop is followed by a 30 min introduction/post show Q&A on the play, hosted by the Outreach Associate and 1-2 members of the cast/creative team.

Where: Lyceum Theatre

Suitability: Secondary

Ideal for: Students of English and Performing Arts

More details on how to book these workshops to follow soon.

FUN LABS

Family activity to share with your pupils

Our Fun Labs are an opportunity to be creative with our programme of free, fun and family friendly events. Fun Labs are free to attend but we require a fully refundable deposit of £2 per person, taken at the time of booking. Our events go on sale a month before each event. Click **here** to find out more.

FUN LABS: MAKE A PUPPET

Have fun working with a puppeteer to design and make a unique puppet to take home, based on characters from our Studio Christmas show, **The Elves and the Shoemaker**. Perfect for families with children aged 5 – 8 years.

Where: Crucible Adelphi Room

When: Sat 14 December, 11.30am – 12.30pm / 1pm – 2pm / 2.30pm – 3.30pm

OPPORTUNITIES BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

We have a number of performances and workshop opportunities for your students to engage with outside the classroom. From new work to half term festivals, there's lots to do!

SHEFFIELD PEOPLE'S THEATRE YOUNG COMPANY (18-25)

Thu 30 and Fri 31 Feb

Our young company have taken part in a long term programme of skills workshops alongside theatre professionals, coming together as a group of young theatre makers they have created a performance which is a culmination of this season's young company's work.

Find out more about Young Company [here](#)

A SERIES OF PUBLIC APOLOGIES (IN RESPONSE TO AN INCIDENT THAT OCCURRED IN THE SCHOOL LAVATORIES)

Thu 13 and Fri 14 Feb

Tickets from £7

This satirical play is heightened in its naturalism, in its seriousness, in its parody and piercing in its interrogation of how our attempts to define ourselves in public are shaped by the fear of saying the wrong thing. This is a play on words, on convention, on manners, on institutions, on order, online and on point.

CONNECTIONS FESTIVAL

Thu 26 Mar to Thu 2 Apr

A week of double bills, workshops, skills and scratches! Keep your eye out for loads of festival activity during half term, get stuck into free workshops, come and play games, or end up performing in our foyer space; then each evening watch a double bill of fantastic new plays performed by young actors.

BEHIND THE SCENES

A unique opportunity to go behind the scenes are available on all our shows - get an insight into how we bring the world of theatre to life! Click below for each show.

GUYS AND DOLLS RUN SISTER RUN

CORIOLANUS OLIVER TWIST

OCSAR AND THE PINK LADY

SHEFFIELD PEOPLE'S THEATRE AUDITIONS

We are really excited that we will be making our next **Sheffield People's Theatre** production in collaboration with **Dante or Die**, a company who makes bold and ambitious site specific performances. We are looking for a company of 50 people aged 12 plus who would like to spend 6 weeks rehearsing and creating with us! You don't need any experience, just a willingness to get stuck in and have a go. For more information about auditions click [here](#).

To find out more about **Sheffield People's Theatre** or to sign up to the mailing list please email spt@sheffieldtheatres.co.uk

