**Lewisham Youth Theatre**

*All young people have a powerful voice and a right to be heard.*

Since lockdown LYT has stayed open, engaging with our participants online over Zoom to deliver workshops, masterclasses and performances. For our 2021 projects, we are aiming to return to working in-person with smaller groups in a safe, socially-distanced way. However, if guidance changes, we will deliver the projects online over Zoom.

Our 2021 projects will build on our 2020 theme of ‘Youth Activism’. We are still planning and consulting our members so don’t know exactly what the projects will involve. It’s a year for experiment and creativity.

LYT is seeking Directing Assistants to support our Junior and Senior Youth Theatre projects. Directing Assistants work closely with the projects’ Lead Directors to help plan, support and deliver drama workshops.  This hands-on role usually includes opportunities to lead exercises, direct small group work and provide pastoral care for the participants. We expect most sessions will involve a mixture of some young people attending in person and some via Zoom and volunteers may support the technical facilitation of this. Volunteers must be prepared to be flexible and able to take on new or challenging tasks as they arise.

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| **Senior Youth Theatre****Workshop Company****(Ages 14 – 17)** | Assist directors to deliver sessions and rehearse group of approx. 15 young people aged 14 – 17. Likely to be a devising/writing-based project. | **Wednesdays, 5:00 – 6:45pm****13th January – 31st March****Performance dates:****7th – 10th April** |
| **Senior Youth Theatre****Acting Company****(Ages 16 - 21)** | Assist directors to deliver sessions and rehearse group of approx. 15 young people aged 16 - 21. The company will work in small groups to develop linked stories, taking on all roles necessary including writing, acting, filming, editing. | **Wednesdays 5.45 – 8.15pm****14th January – 28th January****Thursdays 5.45 – 8.15pm****4th February – 1st April****Performance dates:****7th – 10th April** |

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| **Junior Youth Theatre 1****Workshop Group****(Ages 8 – 11)** | Introductory project for children new to LYT. Assisting tutors to deliver fun games and drama activities for a group of approx. 15 children aged 8 – 11. | **Saturdays 10.30am – 12.45pm****16th January – 13th February** |
| **Junior Youth Theatre 1****Performance Projects****(Ages 8 - 11)** | Assist directors to deliver sessions and rehearse group of approx. 15 children aged 8 -11.  Likely to be a script-based project with creative input from participants. | **Tuesdays 4.15 – 6.15pm****OR Saturdays 10.30am – 12.30pm****20th February – 29th May****Some daytimes 31st May – 4th June** |