



Arts Centre Washington

Are you interested in acting and drama?

Would you like to improve your skills and meet people with similar interests?

Join Washington Youth Theatre, for young people ages 8-16!

Saturdays, 10am – 11.45am, £6

Youth Theatre is Arts Centre Washington's programme of drama classes for children and young people. Every week, participants will take part in drama games, drama sketches and acting out short scenes. The workshops are designed to encourage young people to practice and develop their theatre skills, increase confidence, and make new friends!



This 'Welcome to class!' booklet has been created to help you prepare for how the class will work during the Covid-19 pandemic, with measures we are taking to keep the young people safe including:

- maximum number of participants per session: 12
- "touch free" hand sanitizer stations
- increased cleaning regime

You can read more about the measures and precautions in place in the building here: <https://sunderlandculture.org.uk/our-venues/arts-centre-washington/a-warm-welcome-back/>.

Before the class:

- 1) Book your space online at www.artscentrewashington.co.uk. Places will be available on a first come first served basis - book early to avoid disappointment.
- 2) If you cannot book online, or you need help, please call us at 0191 561 3455. Online or phone booking is strongly recommended, however we will be able to accept cash or card payments on the day if needed.
- 3) Pack a snack and a drink for your break. Arts Centre Washington will not sell any snacks and access to the nearby shop will not be possible.

When you arrive at Arts Centre Washington:

- 4) Please do not arrive earlier than 9.45am.
- 5) Head to the Main Entrance and straight through the Low Barn.



- 6) If there are other people around, please keep the 2m social distance from everyone else!
- 7) The drama tutor will let you in the room 15 minutes before the start. They will ask you if you are feeling unwell, if anyone in your household is self-isolating and they will check you in to the class.
- 8) Remember to use the touch free hand sanitizer station before taking your place!

During the workshop:

- 9) You can take part in the workshop without wearing a mask. The drama tutor will wear a mask or a visor.
- 10) Maintain the 2m distance from everyone else as much as possible.
- 11) If you need to use the toilets, let the drama tutor know. The toilets will be just off the Low Barn and you will need to wear a mask to access them.
- 12) You will take breaks in smaller groups at different times and the drama tutor will let you know when you can take yours.

At the end of the workshop:

- 13) Tidy up around you, throwing away any rubbish before leaving.
- 14) Your parents/guardians will wait for you outside the Fire Exit in the courtyard at the back of the Low Barn. If you are walking home alone, we will need confirmation from an adult; alternatively, this information should be included in the registration form.
- 16) If your parents/guardians are late, please wait with the drama tutor until they arrive.



Are you ready to have fun? If you have any questions or queries, please contact us at acw@sunderland.gov.uk or using our phone number **0191 561 3455**.