

Junior Course (Age 14-17)	Senior Course (Age 18-21)	Epic Course (Age 22-25)	Backstage (16-25)	Weekend Intake Course (18-25)	Weekend Digital Intake Course (14-25)
Monday 2 nd August - Saturday 14 th August 2021	Tuesday 17 th August - Saturday 4 th September 2021	Tuesday 3 rd August - Saturday 21 st August 2021	Monday 9 th August - Saturday 21 st August 2021	Saturday 18 th & 25 th Sept, 2 nd , 9 th , 16 th Oct, 6 th , 13 th , 20 th , 27 th Nov, 4 th Dec	Saturday 18 th & 25 th Sept, 2 nd , 9 th , 16 th Oct, 6 th , 13 th , 20 th , 27 th Nov, 4 th Dec
In Partnership with Royal & Derngate, Northampton	In Partnership with Royal & Derngate, Northampton	Rose Bruford College, Sidcup, Kent	Rose Bruford College, Sidcup, Kent	National Youth Theatre, Holloway Road, London	Online

How much do the courses and accommodation cost?

You can find out how much the courses and accommodation costs on [our website](#) or scroll down to the course you are interested in and more questions are answered there, including the fees.

Which course am I auditioning for?

If you are applying for a backstage course you can only complete in summer holiday of 2021.

If you are auditioning for acting we assume you are applying for the summer courses, but you can let us know at your recall if you would prefer to take part in the Weekend Intake Courses in the Autumn term. These courses will only run subject to minimum numbers being met and have a maximum number of spaces as well. If you don't tell us at your recall that you want to apply for the weekend intake courses, we will assume you want to apply for the summer only.

Are bursaries available to help cover costs of the course and accommodation?

Despite the financial challenges all arts charities face in the current climate, in 2021 we are pleased to be significantly reducing fees related to applying and taking part in National Youth Theatre Intake Courses in recognition of the challenging circumstances faced by many young people around the UK.

NYT is also able to offer bursaries to help participants take part in intake courses. The NYT Bursary Fund is in high demand, and we expect the demand to be even more significant in this most difficult of years. We ask you only to apply for a bursary if you are experiencing financial hardship and you may still need to attempt to fundraise to cover some of the costs of your course. Bursaries are means tested meaning support is first offered to those facing the most significant financial hardship. We are able to offer some full bursaries, but most awards partly cover transport, course fees or accommodation costs should you be successful in gaining a place. To find out more information about our bursary fund and how to apply visit [our website](#).

Can I defer my place?

Due to the very limited number of places we can offer each year, we are unable to defer any places or move you to another programme. You need to be free to attend your course in the year you audition or interview.

I wouldn't be able to make all the course dates, can I still do the course?

NYT require all participants to be available for the duration of the course and cannot allow any absence under any circumstances. You will need to be available every day of your course including Saturday and Bank Holiday Monday if applicable. Sundays are generally a day off.

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JUNIOR COURSE 2021 – IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ROYAL & DERNGATE THEATRE

Dates: Monday 2nd August 2021 – Saturday 14th August 2021

**Location: Royal & Derngate Theatre, 19-21 Guildhall Rd, Northampton
NN1 1DP**

The National Youth Theatre Junior Acting Course is a two-week experience for young people **age 14 – 17**, who have successfully auditioned to join the National Youth Theatre. * [See our Auditions Guide for eligibility information.](#)

What should I expect during the Junior Acting Course?

During your time at the National Youth Theatre you will experience:

- The National Youth Theatre's unique approach to theatre making
- Working as a team in an ensemble theatre company
- Working with a professional theatre director
- The option to live away from home and meet different people
- A final sharing of your work

How many people take part?

A total of around 250 young people take part in our Junior Acting course every year. There are approximately 30 participants on each course.

How much is the course?

Two-week course fee: £450

Accommodation fees are not included in the course fees.

JUNIOR COURSE ACCOMMODATION 2021

Accommodation is available for those who require it at Northampton University at their new and purpose-built Waterside Campus.

How much is the accommodation?

Accommodation fee: £430

Are my meals provided?

No, the accommodation is self-catering only. Participants will be responsible for cooking their own meals.

What facilities are there?

You will have your own private bedroom with an en-suite bathroom and shared kitchen facilities. There are local supermarkets, cafes and restaurants along with green spaces and parks within a very short distance.

When do I check in?

If staying in the accommodation, you will check in on Sunday 1st August between 14:00 – 16:00 and checkout on Saturday 14th August, the final day of your course.

I am under 18, how much supervision is there in the evenings and on weekends?

NYT expects all young people staying in the accommodation to conduct themselves responsibly and to abide by NYT rules at all times. We expect that young people will behave responsibly and understand that a certain level of maturity and professionalism is expected from those staying in accommodation.

NYT does not provide direct supervision outside of course hours, but staff members are available and on call. Young people must not go out in groups of less than three, and they must report where they are going and when to their Course Assistant.

NYT staff members will be staying on-site at the accommodation and will be available for emergencies outside course hours. All Junior Course participants staying in the accommodation will have a non-negotiable curfew of 9pm. This means you must be back in your flat at the accommodation by this time to be checked in by NYT staff – you do not need to be asleep at this time!

Participants must have written permission from their parents/ guardians to go anywhere alone, or to leave the university campus on the Sunday of their course. Parents/ Guardians will need to give this permission on their course acceptance form should you successfully gain a place on the course.

Do I have to stay in the NYT provided accommodation?

No, if you live locally, are happy to travel or would rather source your own accommodation, you can do so. Please note out of hours pastoral support is not available to those who are not staying in the NYT provided accommodation.

Fundraising

Every year young people fundraise the full amount in order to attend a course. If you would like a fundraising guide pack to help fund your course experience, please email info@nyt.org.uk

What will happen after I have finished the Junior Acting Course?

After completing the course you will become an **Acting Member** of the National Youth Theatre, and gain unique access to castings for NYT Productions, incredible experiences outside of the organisation such as free West End tickets, casting opportunities for film and TV, drama facilitation training, industry-led workshops, and Q&As.

SENIOR COURSE 2021 - IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ROYAL & DERNGATE THEATRE

Dates: Tuesday 17th August 2021 – Saturday 4th September 2021 (*Bank Holiday Monday on the 30th August will be a normal course day)

**Location: Royal & Derngate Theatre, 19-21 Guildhall Rd, Northampton
NN1 1DP**

The National Youth Theatre Senior Course is a three-week experience for young people **age 18 – 21***, who have successfully auditioned to join the National Youth Theatre. * [See our Auditions Guide for eligibility information.](#)

What should I expect during the Senior Acting Course?

During your time at the National Youth Theatre you will experience:

- The National Youth Theatre's unique approach to theatre making
- Working as a team in an ensemble theatre company
- Working with a professional theatre director
- The option to live away from home and meeting different people
- A final sharing of your work

How many people take part?

A total of around 300 young people take part in our Senior Acting Course every year. There are approximately 30 participants on each course.

How much is it?

Three week course fee: £660

Accommodation fees are not included in the course fees.

SENIOR COURSE ACCOMMODATION 2021

Accommodation is available for those who require it at Northampton University at their new and purpose-built Waterside Campus.

How much is the accommodation?

Accommodation fee: £640

Are my meals provided?

No, the accommodation is self-catering only. Participants will be responsible for cooking their own meals.

What facilities are there?

You will have your own private bedroom with an en-suite bathroom and shared kitchen facilities. There are local supermarkets, cafes and restaurants along with green spaces and parks within a very short distance.

When do I check in?

If staying in the accommodation, you will check in on Monday 16th August between 14:00 – 16:00 and checkout on Saturday 4th September, the final day of your course.

I am over 18, how much supervision is there in the evenings and on weekends?

NYT expects all young people staying in the accommodation to conduct themselves responsibly. NYT recommends that participants do not go out in groups of less than three, and they return to their accommodation at a reasonable hour to work professionally the next day. NYT does not directly supervise the course participants outside of course hours and considers over 18's legal adults who are responsible for their own activity and the consequences of their conduct outside of the core course hours.

NYT staff members will be staying on-site in the accommodation, will be available to respond to emergencies outside course hours, and offer additional pastoral support to those who want or need it.

Do I have to stay in the NYT provided accommodation?

No, if you live locally, are happy to travel or would rather source your own accommodation, you can do so. Please note out of hours pastoral support is not available to those who are not staying in the NYT provided accommodation.

Fundraising

Every year young people fundraise the full amount in order to attend a course. If you would like a fundraising guide pack to help fund your course experience please email info@nyt.org.uk

What will happen after I have finished the Senior Acting Course?

After completing the course you will become an **Acting Member** of the National Youth Theatre, and gain unique access to castings for NYT Productions, incredible experiences outside of the organisation such as free West End tickets, casting opportunities for film and TV, drama facilitation training, industry-led workshops, and Q&As.

BACKSTAGE COURSE 2021

Dates: Monday 9th August 2021 – Saturday 21st August 2021

Location: Rose Bruford College, Burnt Oak Lane, Kent DA15 9DF

The National Youth Theatre Backstage Courses are two-week industry led courses for young people aged **16 – 25*** who have successfully interviewed to join the National Youth Theatre as a Backstage Member. * [See Backstage Guide for eligibility information.](#)

You can choose to specialise in one of the following faculties:

- Stage Management
- Lighting and Video Projection
- Sound Design and Composition
- Costume Design and Making
- Scenic Design & Construction

How many people take part?

A total of around 120 young people take part in our Backstage Courses every year. There are approximately 20 participants on each course.

How much is the course?

Two week course fee: £450

Accommodation fees are not included in the course fees.

BACKSTAGE COURSE ACCOMMODATION 2021

Accommodation is available for those who require it at Christopher Court near Rose Bruford and Sidcup Station.

How much is the accommodation?

Accommodation fee: £430

Are my meals provided?

No, the accommodation is self-catering only. Participants will be responsible for cooking their own meals.

What facilities are there?

You will have your own private bedroom with an en-suite bathroom and shared kitchen facilities. There are local supermarkets, cafes and restaurants along with green spaces and parks within a very short distance.

When do I check in?

If staying in the accommodation, you will check in on Sunday 8th August between 14:00 – 16:00 and checkout on Saturday 21st August, the final day of your course.

I am under 18, how much supervision is there in the evenings and on weekends?

NYT expects all young people staying in the accommodation to conduct themselves responsibly and to abide by NYT rules at all times. We expect that young people will behave responsibly and understand that a certain level of maturity and professionalism is expected from those staying in accommodation.

NYT does not provide direct supervision outside of course hours, but staff members are available and on call. Young people must not go out in groups of less than three, and they must report where they are going and when to their Course Assistant.

NYT staff members will be staying on-site at the accommodation and will be available for emergencies outside course hours. All course participants who are under 18 and staying in the accommodation will have a non-negotiable curfew of 9pm. This means you must be back in your flat at the accommodation by this time to be checked in by NYT staff – you do not need to be asleep at this time!

Participants must have written permission from their parents/ guardians to go anywhere alone, or to leave the university campus on the Sunday of their course. Parents/ Guardians will need to give this permission on their course acceptance form should you successfully gain a place on the course.

I am over 18, how much supervision is there in the evenings and on weekends?

NYT expects all young people staying in the accommodation to conduct themselves responsibly. NYT recommends that participants do not go out in groups of less than three, and they return to their accommodation at a reasonable hour to work professionally the next day. NYT does not directly supervise the course participants outside of course hours and considers over 18's legal adults who are responsible for their own activity and the consequences of their conduct outside of the core course hours.

NYT staff members will be staying on-site in the accommodation, will be available to respond to emergencies outside course hours, and offer additional pastoral support to those who want or need it.

Do I have to stay in the NYT provided accommodation?

No, if you live locally, are happy to travel or would rather source your own accommodation, you can do so. Please note out of hours pastoral support is not available to those who are not staying in the NYT provided accommodation.

Fees and funding

Every year young people fundraise the full amount in order to attend a course. If you would like a fundraising guide pack to help fund your interview or course experience please email info@nyt.org.uk

What will happen after I have finished a Backstage Course?

After successfully completing your course you will be a **Backstage Member** of the National Youth Theatre, and will have the opportunity to work on our season shows

Backstage Members can also access exclusive nationwide industry opportunities via our member's board, such as mentoring, placements and entry level roles.

EPIC COURSE 2021

Dates: Tuesday 3rd August 2021 – Saturday 21st August 2021

Location: Rose Bruford College, Burnt Oak Lane, Kent DA15 9DF

The National Youth Theatre Epic Course is a three-week experience for young people **age 22 – 25***, who have successfully auditioned to join the National Youth Theatre. * [See our Auditions Guide for eligibility information.](#)

What should I expect during the Epic Stages Course?

During your time at the National Youth Theatre you will experience:

- The National Youth Theatre's unique approach to theatre making
- Working with a professional writer to develop unique and original work
- Working as a team in an ensemble theatre company
- Working with a professional theatre director
- The option to live away from home and meeting likeminded creatives
- A final performance of your work

How many people take part?

A total of around 150 young people take part in our Epic Acting Course every year. There are approximately 30 participants on each course.

How much is it?

Three week course fee: £660

Accommodation fees are not included in the course fees.

EPIC COURSE ACCOMMODATION 2021

Accommodation is available for those who require it at Christopher Court near Rose Bruford and Sidcup Station.

How much is the accommodation?

Accommodation fee: £640

Are my meals provided?

No, the accommodation is self-catering only. Participants will be responsible for cooking their own meals.

What facilities are there?

You will have your own private bedroom with an en-suite bathroom and shared kitchen facilities. There are local supermarkets, cafes and restaurants along with green spaces and parks within a very short distance.

When do I check in?

If staying in the accommodation, you will check in on Monday 2nd August between 14:00 – 16:00 and checkout on Saturday 21st August, the final day of your course.

I am over 18, how much supervision is there in the evenings and on weekends?

NYT expects all young people staying in the accommodation to conduct themselves responsibly. NYT recommends that participants do not go out in groups of less than three, and they return to their accommodation at a reasonable hour to work professionally the next day. NYT does not directly supervise the course participants outside of course hours and considers over 18's legal adults who are responsible for their own activity and the consequences of their conduct outside of the core course hours.

NYT staff members will be staying on-site in the accommodation and will be available to respond to emergencies outside course hours and offer additional pastoral support to those who want or need it.

Do I have to stay in the NYT provided accommodation?

No, if you live locally, are happy to travel or would rather source your own accommodation, you can do so. Please note out of hours pastoral support is not available to those who are not staying in the NYT provided accommodation.

Fundraising

Every year young people fundraise the full amount in order to attend a course. If you would like a fundraising guide pack to help fund your course experience please email info@nyt.org.uk

What will happen after I have finished the Epic Acting Course?

After completing the course you will become an **Acting Member** of the National Youth Theatre, and gain unique access to castings for NYT Productions, incredible experiences outside of the organisation such as free West End tickets, casting opportunities for film and TV, drama facilitation training, industry-led workshops, and Q&As.

Weekend Acting Intake Course

Dates: Saturday 18th & 25th Sept, 2nd, 9th, 16th Oct, 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th Nov, 4th Dec 2021

Location: National Youth Theatre, Holloway Road, London, N7 6LW

The National Youth Theatre Weekend Acting Course is just like the summer course but is spread over 10 weeks for young people **age 18 – 25**, who have successfully auditioned to join the National Youth Theatre. * [See our Auditions Guide for eligibility information.](#)

What should I expect during the weekend intake Course?

During your time at the National Youth Theatre you will experience:

- The National Youth Theatre's unique approach to theatre making
- Working as a team in an ensemble theatre company
- Working with a professional theatre director
- A final sharing of your work

When will my course be?

Your course will take place on Saturdays from 10:00 – 18:00. The course follows the academic term time so you will have two five-week blocks with two weekends off over the half term holiday.

How many people take part?

A total of around 60 young people take part in our Weekend Acting Intake Course every year. There are approximately 30 participants on each course.

How much is the course?

Weekend Intake course fee: £350

Is accommodation provided?

No, accommodation is not provided for this course.

How do I let you know I want to audition for this course?

If you are auditioning for acting we assume you are applying for the summer courses, but you can let us know **at your recall** if you would prefer to take part in the Weekend Intake Course in the Autumn term 2021.

*This course will only run subject to minimum numbers being met and have a maximum number of spaces as well. If you don't tell us at your recall that you want to apply for the weekend intake course, we will assume you want to apply for the summer only.

What will happen after I have finished the Weekend Acting Course?

After completing the course you will become an **Acting Member** of the National Youth Theatre, and gain unique access to castings for NYT Productions, incredible experiences outside of the organisation such as free West End tickets, casting opportunities for film and TV, drama facilitation training, industry-led workshops, and Q&As.

Digital Weekend Acting Intake Course

Dates: Saturday 18th & 25th Sept, 2nd, 9th, 16th Oct, 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th Nov, 4th Dec 2021

Location: Online

The National Youth Theatre Digital Weekend Acting Course is just like the summer course but is spread over 10 weeks and takes place online for young people **age 14 – 25**, who have successfully auditioned to join the National Youth Theatre. * [See our Auditions Guide for eligibility information.](#)

What should I expect during the weekend intake Course?

During your time at the National Youth Theatre you will experience:

- The National Youth Theatre's unique approach to theatre making and experience of delivering online programmes
- Working as a team in an ensemble theatre company
- Working with a professional theatre director
- A final online sharing of your work

When will my course be?

Your course will take place on Saturdays from 10:00 – 13:30 or 14:30 – 17:30 depending on your age. The course follows the academic term time so you will have two five-week blocks with two weekends off over the half term holiday.

How many people take part?

A total of around 32 young people take part in our Weekend Acting course every year. There are approximately 16 participants on each course.

How much is the course?

Digital Weekend Intake course fee: £240

Is accommodation provided?

No, accommodation is not provided for this course.

How do I let you know I want to audition for this course?

If you are auditioning for acting we assume you are applying for the summer courses, but you can let us know **at your recall** if you would prefer to take part in the Digital Weekend Intake Course in the Autumn term 2021.

*This course will only run subject to minimum numbers being met and have a maximum number of spaces as well. If you don't tell us at your recall that you want to apply for the Digital Weekend Intake course, we will assume you want to apply for the summer only.

What will happen after I have finished the Digital Weekend Acting Course?

After completing the course you will become an **Acting Member** of the National Youth Theatre, and gain unique access to castings for NYT Productions, incredible experiences outside of the organisation such as free West End tickets, casting opportunities for film and TV, drama facilitation training, industry-led workshops, and Q&As.