

The Young Performer

First-hand experience of the performing arts industry • *Ages 13-16*

Key Facts:

**Age range:**

13-16

**Location:**

King's College London

**Class size:**

20

**Certificate:**

West End on Demand Certificate & Bucksmore Academy Theatre Award (BATA)

**Minimum language level:**

B1 (intermediate)

**Weekly excursions:**

2 full-day

**Hours per week:**

25

**Dates:**

2 July - 30 July



Course Overview

Bucksmore Education recognises that the performing arts play a significant role in developing a person's creativity, confidence, coordination, language and communication skills. At all stages of life the skills learned in this genre can be transferred and help a student develop and reach their full potential in education and beyond.

By partnering with a top West End theatre company West End On Demand, students will receive first hand experience of the industry and a true taste of West End Theatre. Students on the course will be taught by top West End professionals and the best of the theatre industry whilst they learn acting, singing, dance, stage combat and puppetry, as well as taking part in West End workshops, watching West End shows and going on a theatre tour! At the end of the 2 week course there will be a presentation followed by an award ceremony.

Learning Objectives

- Gain an understanding of the West End Theatre Industry
- Experience a range of classes to sample the different components that make up a theatre performance on stage
- Meet and work with top theatre industry professionals who will share their first hand experience and industry knowledge
- Improve confidence and communication skills
- Improve team work and ensemble skills
- Build on talent and performance skills
- Understand and gain insight into what is required for a career in theatre



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This course is industry certified by West End On Demand, a leading performing arts organisation offering workshops led by industry professionals.

Course Outcomes

The course offers students the means to gain industry certification from our partner West End On Demand. Students taking this course will gain:

- A West End On Demand Certificate Of Completion
- Contacts in the West End Theatre Industry
- A Bucksmore Theatre Award

Course Partners

West End On Demand is a leading performing arts organisation offering real-life insights into the industry. Their exciting workshops are taught by cast members from the top West End shows ensuring that students will receive a truly purposeful and relevant experience. They are passionate

about learning through drama and focus on building confidence, creativity, communication skills and talent, whilst having lots of fun.

Additional Information

Our Academic Enhancement courses differ from other options across our wide portfolio. There are only 20 places available per 2 week session open to students of all nationalities, which means places are given on a first come, first serve basis. The structure of the course sees students working in groups to complete the course project, and the strict language level ensures that every student will still have a fulfilling experience without Bucksmore's usual nationality cap. The course is industry aligned, from the content to the tutors and to the overall experience.

Rachel Bingham

Rachel Bingham is a top West End performer, teacher and the Director of West End On Demand. Rachel trained in musical theatre at the prestigious Mountview Academy Of Theatre Arts and has performed extensively. Her work includes: Les Misérables (West End); Billy Elliot (West End); The Sound Of Music (West End) to name a few. Rachel created West End On Demand to use her passion for the performing arts to encourage children and students of all ages to enhance their confidence, creativity and talents. Her teaching work includes performing arts and foundation degree performing arts, as well as guest teaching around the UK and Europe.



Sample Timetable

	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON
AM	Arrivals	Course Introduction Acting Class	Singing Class Musical Theatre Dance Class	Excursion: Central London Royal & Politics tour and London Dungeons	Stage Combat Workshop	Singing workshop Jazz Dance Class	West End Show workshop
PM	Arrivals	Excursion: Theatre Tour of Theatre Royal Drury Lane Lion King theatre visit	Choreography Workshop		West End audition Masterclass	Excursion: Thames River Cruise	West End on Demand Final Performance
EVE	Welcome Games		Activity: Traditional village fête	Activity: Sports in Hyde Park	Activity: Movie Night		Graduation and Award Ceremony

*based on 2023 timetable

Excursions

A sample of the destinations for each week of the course are outlined below.

Students have a full activity programme plus two full-days per week. The destinations for each particular week of the course are outlined below.

To enable us to respond to student feedback and requests, activities and excursion itineraries are planned and organised by a dedicated Activity Manager. For this reason, it is impossible to provide exact weekly timetables until a few days before the start of the following week.

This enables the Activity Manager to minimise any repetition and give students a unique experience every week. With this in mind, the below excursion destinations are **subject to change** and are meant to give examples of the destinations students will visit.



Brighton

Arguably Britain's most popular seaside resort, students visiting Brighton can choose to spend free time shopping in the famous 'Laines', or visit the beach and Brighton's celebrated pier.



Theatre Visit

Students will visit a well-known theatre in the heart of London with a tour of the venue and the opportunity to explore the sets of famous productions.



Cambridge

Founded in 1209, the University of Cambridge is the heart of the city of Cambridge. The city's skyline is dominated by the university's college buildings including King's College Chapel, Cavendish Laboratory, and the Cambridge University Library.



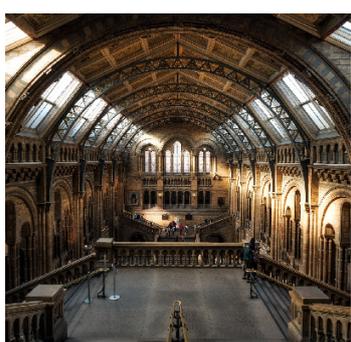
Oxford

Students will go to the centre of Oxford to explore its rich history. They will visit landmarks such as Carfax Tower, Bodleian Library, Christ Church Cathedral, the 'Bridge of Sighs' & many Oxford University Colleges.



London Landmarks

Students visit a variety of well-known landmarks across the city, such as Tower of London (pictured), Kensington Palace, Piccadilly Circus and St Paul's Cathedral.



Museums & Galleries

London has a wonderful selection of museums and art galleries across the city, such as the British Museum, British Library, Natural History Museum (pictured), National Gallery, the Tate Modern and Saatchi Gallery.



King's College London

Central London • Ages 13-18

King's College London's central location provides abundant opportunities for students to visit a variety of attractions and landmarks, with famous sites such as Covent Garden, Oxford Street and the Houses of Parliament all less than a mile away.

Classes take place in King's College London's Virginia Woolf Building on Kingsway, next to Holborn underground station. Accommodation is provided nearby in a secure King's College London residence.



Find out more about King's College London



Key Facts:

-  **Age range:** 13-18
-  **Location:** Central London
-  **Bedrooms:** Single
-  **Bathrooms:** En suite
-  **Social Space:** Student common areas
-  **Facilities:** Auditorium, high-quality classrooms with smart boards and projectors
-  **Internet:** Wi-Fi available throughout
-  **Security:** Electronic key access
-  **Airports:** Heathrow 1 hour
Gatwick 1 hour