Welcome to the Liverpool Empire Junior Youth Theatre.

The classes will be held on a Thursday evening and will follow the school academic term with no sessions during half term and holidays. Each week you will arrive to the theatre stage door where you will be met by our Creative Learning team who will be teaching you musical theatre skills throughout the academic year. You will be taught in age specific groups but will come together to perform as one big group.

Laura Meeson will be teaching you dance and Rosanna Rigby will be teaching you acting and singing. On occasion guest practitioners may also come along to teach you.

**The Autumn term** will focus on learning and developing the skills and technique of all three disciplines in preparation for the events ahead. The Youth Theatres will perform together as part 019 dance festival at The Regent Theatre, Stoke on Trent in January 2019 – further information will be contained in your confirmation pack.

**The Spring term** will formalise these skills and prepare for a Musical Theatre Examination called the Performance Arts Awards exam (PAA). The PPA exams are validated through the awarding body RSL. The exam will allow each participant to demonstrate their skills in acting, singing and dancing and will be executed as group examinations where the candidates will enter into the exam as a company and perform as a collective. Candidates taking a PAA examination will not only gain practical performance skills but are also encouraged to reflect on their performance and the rehearsal process, developing their understanding of the material, characters, and the creative choices made on and off the stage. Each candidate are awarded an individual grade and certification. Recognised qualifications demonstrate an ability to dedicate commitment to extra-curricular activities, providing evidence of versatility which many pupils find beneficial when applying for further education.

Duringthe **Summer term** you will begin working towards a full scale showcase performance that will take place on stage.

We also hope to be invited to perform on other occasions throughout the year in community events, festivals and on stage throughout the North West.

We do not have a set uniform however we do ask that you wear suitable drama/dance attire to sessions. This could include jazz pants or tracksuit trousers for boys and a fitted T-shirt and tights/leggings or track suit trousers for girls with either a leotard or fitted top. **You need to wear black jazz shoes**. Hair should be secured back from your face. We do have a company t-shirt and hoodie which you will be able to purchase at a later date. You should also bring a bottle of water with you.

**Fees** Payable in monthly instalments of £36 (September – July)
Details of how to pay fees direct to the box office or online will be given to you with your confirmation pack.

**WHAT TO DO NOW**

To confirm your place please email your completed application form to liverpoolcreativelearning@theambassadors.com

You will then need to complete and return the form below by post ASAP. If you return by email please include a wet signature.

**Term Dates**

**TIME**

5.00-7.00pm Age 8-10 years (School Year 4 – 6)

6.00-8.00pm Age 11-15 years (School Year 7 – 10)

**Term One:**

Thursday 20th September- Thursday 13th December 2018

Break for half term on 25th October 2018

**Term Two**

Thursday 10th January-28th March 2019

Break for half term on 21st February 2019

Exam date TBC

Break for Easter on 4th, 11th 18th April 2019

**Term Three**

Thursday 25Th April- 18th July 2019

Break for half term on 30th May 2019

Performance date TBC

Sessions run weekly at the Liverpool Empire Theatre. You should arrive dressed for class in loose comfortable clothing and suitable dance footwear no earlier than 4.50pm (to start at 5pm) or 5.50pm (to start at 6pm).

The Liverpool Empire is a busy commercial receiving house theatre therefore we ask that parents wait outside the stage door when dropping off and collecting their children. Children should not be left until a member of Creative Learning team has signed them in on the register.

Due to the location of the rehearsal space late comers will not be admitted.

Regular attendance at class is important for the development and progression of participants especially when working towards a performance. If you are unable to attend please email liverpoolcreativelearning@theambassadors.com

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| 1. **Full Name**
2. **Date of Birth**
3. **Age of Child on 1st September 2018**
 | 1. **Home Address:**

 **Postcode:**  |
| 1. **Parents name and contact:**

**Name:** **Home:** **Mobile:** **Work:** | 1. **School Address:**

**School year:**  |
| 1. **Email Address:**

All correspondence will be via email so please check regularly and inform of us of any changes. | 1. **Alternative Name and Contact Number in case of emergency:**
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| 1. **Do you attend dance/drama school or classes elsewhere**

**NO YES** **If yes please give name:**  | **Please supply us with your height:** **­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Feet** **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Inches** **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Meters**  |
| 1. **Education Authority:**

This is who you pay your council tax to, please delete as appropriate: **Liverpool Sefton Knowsley Wirral Halton** **Wigan St Helens Warrington** **Cheshire West Cheshire East Lancashire** **Other:** (please specify)**:****\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** | **Has your child participated in any other Ambassador Theatre Group workshops or courses either here at the Liverpool Empire or at any of our other venues?**  |

**If you would like to stay in touch with Liverpool Empire Creative Learning & Community Partnerships , please check the appropriate methods of communication below.**

To make sure you don’t miss hearing about our best opportunities and offers, please check the relevant boxes below as agreement that Creative Learning & Community Partnerships as part of Ambassador Theatre Group Ltd can contact you.

Don’t worry, you can ‘opt out’ of these communications at any time and rest assured no one else will be passed your details for marketing purposes. Feel free to look at our Privacy Policy if you’d like further reassurance about how we handle and take care of your details –

<http://www.atgtickets.com/privacy-policy/>

I would like to hear from Liverpool Empire Creative Learning & Community Partnerships via:



Email                                                    SMS

Post                                                      Telephone

# Consent form for the use of photographs and video

The Ambassador Theatre Group recognises the need to ensure the welfare and safety of all children.

In accordance with our child protection policy we will not permit photographs, video or other images of children and young people to be taken without the consent of the guardian /carers and children.

The Ambassador Theatre Group will follow the guidance for the use of photographs a copy of which is available from the Head of Learning & Access.

The Ambassador Theatre Group will take all steps to ensure these images are used solely for the purposes they are intended. If you become aware that these images are being used inappropriately, you should inform the Ambassador Theatre Group immediately.

Images will be held by The Ambassador Theatre group and may be used to promote future projects without further notice for a period of five years after the event.

I ………………………..……………….. (guardian/carer) consent to the Ambassador Theatre

Group photographing or videoing ……………………………………………….. (Name of child).

Signature:………………………………………………………………Date: ……………………………

I ……………………………………………….. (Name of child) consent to the Ambassador

Theatre Group photographing or videoing my involvement in activities linked to the junior youth theatre

Signature: …………………………………………………………….. Date: …………………………………

In the interest of your child’s safety, please tick the appropriate boxes and sign this form at the bottom before returning it:

**Health & Safety**

My child will be collected at the end of each session by myself or another appointed person and therefore my child will not be allowed to leave the building at the end of the day unaccompanied.

I give permission for my child to leave the Empire unaccompanied at the end of the session. I accept full responsibility for what happens to my child outside of the Liverpool Empire.

On occasion we may hold full day rehearsals at a weekend or school holiday. If this is the case, please tick the box do you give permission for your child to leave the building for a maximum of 1hr at lunch time.

SIGNED PARENT/GUARDIAN: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Medical Details Form**

Name …………………………………….........Date of Birth:..........................................

Gender \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| Please give the **name** and **contact number** of somebody that we can reach in an emergency |  |
| Has your child ever had any serious illness / operation / accident? If so, please give details |  |
| Has your child had any illness during the last year? If so, please give details |  |
| Does your child have any difficulty with their* Hearing
* Eyesight?

If so, please give details |  |
| Are you aware of any problems of* Behaviour
* Any undue nervousness
* Any defect of speech
* Any tendency to fits or fainting

If so, please give details |  |
| Does your child require* Any medicines
* A special diet
* Other special treatment

If so, please give details |  |
| Does your child have any known allergies?If so, please give details |  |
| Is there anything else you feel we should know about your child in order to ensure their health, safety and well being during the project?If so, please give details |  |

I understand that the Liverpool Empire and staff connected with the theatre cannot be held responsible for any reckless action carried out by my child/children during their attendance.

I understand that project members are only allowed out of the building without written consent if they are 18 and over or in an emergency, unless written authority is given by the parent at the start of the term. The Liverpool Empire and its staff connected with the theatre cannot be held responsible for the safety of project members once they are outside the building.

In the event of illness or any accident requiring emergency hospital treatment of my child/children I authorise any member of the Liverpool Empire Management Team to sign on my behalf any written form of consent required by the hospital authorities, if the delay to obtain my signature is considered inadvisable by the doctor concerned.

**PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**