

**What are the benefits of taking youth classes and workshops at the Guthrie?**

We strive to create exceptional educational experiences for all students. Whether you are hoping to pursue a career in theater, looking to explore your creativity or just trying something new and fun, we welcome rookies, professionals and everyone in between! The teaching artists and guest artists who work with us are all industry professionals who are passionate about sharing their craft and fostering the artistic growth in others. All classes and workshops allow students to engage with the Guthrie and be part of an ever-expanding community of students, artists and collaborators.

**Will you be adding more youth classes and workshops?**

Yes! This is our first time offering year-round youth classes, so we started with a few foundational classes and will add more based on interest and need. If you are looking for specific classes, let us know! Contact Education Program Manager Lauren Anderson at [laurena@guthrietheater.org](mailto:laurena@guthrietheater.org) and check back often. Winter 2020 will have some fun new opportunities.

**Is prior theater experience required to take youth classes and workshops at the Guthrie?**

It varies depending on the class or workshop, so check the description for details and let us know if you have any questions. We are committed to offering programming for students of all experience levels and abilities.

**Does previous experience at other theaters count?**

It sure does! If you have further questions, just give us a call or send us an email.

**What if a student needs specific accommodations, such as an advocate, assisted listening device or materials in Braille?**

At the Guthrie, we make it a priority to offer an experience that can be fully enjoyed by all, whether attending a performance, taking a tour or attending a class. We offer a variety of access services to help ensure that every student has a great experience. If you have a specific request, please share it at least two weeks before the start of the class or workshop. Requests are subject to availability and provided at the discretion of the Guthrie.

**How does the payment plan work?**

Each payment plan is personalized to the individual needs of the student. We'll work with you to determine the number of payments, due dates and all other details. To participate in a payment plan, you must pay \$25 at registration and complete all payments by the final day of the class or workshop.

**Are scholarships available?**

The Guthrie is committed to offering classes and workshops to all students regardless of financial ability. We have a limited number of scholarships available for each class and workshop that range in amount depending on the student's ability to pay. All scholarships are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis, and we will try our best to honor your request. Please note that scholarships may not be used in combination with other discount offers.

To apply for a scholarship, please complete our [online application](#). Your information will be kept confidential and not shared.

Questions? Contact Education Program Manager Lauren Anderson at [laurena@guthrietheater.org](mailto:laurena@guthrietheater.org) or 612.225.6134.

**What is your cancellation policy?**

Class dates, times and teaching artists are subject to change, and classes may be cancelled if the minimum number of students is not reached. In the event that a class is cancelled, notification will be given to all participants, and refunds will be arranged accordingly. No refunds will be provided for teaching artist changes. In the event of inclement weather, class will be cancelled only if all other events in the building are being cancelled.

**What other education programming does the Guthrie offer?**

We offer educational programming for individuals of all ages:

**FOR ADULTS**

- Multi-week classes for theater novices, artists and business professionals
- Master classes for professional artists
- One-day classes offered through a partnership with Hennepin County Library
- Professional development classes to help improve collaboration, presentation and communication skills

**FOR YOUTH**

- Every summer, the Guthrie offers camps and intensives for youth in grades 3-12 that give theater-loving kids and teens the opportunity to work alongside professional theater artists to explore and develop their skills as young artists.
- Student matinees connect youth and schools to the creative process of the Guthrie through in-depth study, interactive pre-play presentations, world-class performances and post-play discussions.
- The Guthrie Education Network serves a network of schools that are deeply connected to the Guthrie through a cohort of arts educators who help transform students into creative problem-solvers, schools into arts learning centers and other institutions into an arts education community.

**FOR GROUPS**

- We offer trainings for teams and individuals that are rooted in theater-based skills and inspire participants to tackle modern challenges with creativity.

**Who can I contact if I have further questions?**

Reach out to us at [classes@guthrietheater.org](mailto:classes@guthrietheater.org).