What are the benefits of participating in summer programming at the Guthrie?

Our summer programming gives youth of all ages the opportunity to learn from professional theater artists and develop their skills as artists and creative thinkers. Each experience is designed to inspire creative problem-solving, positive self-development and community leadership by connecting kids and teens to the artistry and creative process of the Guthrie.

Our teachers and guest artists are industry professionals with a passion for fostering personal and artistic growth in others and creating exciting, high-quality educational experiences for any age group. Whether you’re a third grader who wants to make new friends, a middle schooler who is curious about theater or a high schooler interested in an immersive experience at a world-class theater, we have opportunities for everyone.

How will the virtual experiences be different from camps and intensives?

We’ve switched from an all-day, in-person format to a virtual format, which allows students to choose topics they are most interested in exploring, from acting and dance to technical roles backstage. Bonus: Each virtual experience is shorter in length, so students may participate in multiple experiences from home throughout the day!

Which online platform is used and what equipment is needed?

We use Zoom for all virtual experiences. Zoom is ideally run on a computer with video and audio capabilities, but there are workarounds for phones, tablets or a combination of devices. Before attending a virtual experience, you will need to register for a free account. Prior to the start date, you will receive a link to join the virtual experience from Guthrie staff or the instructor. To become more familiar with Zoom, check out their helpful tutorial videos.

Is previous theater experience required to participate?

No! All experience levels are welcome.

What are your policies?

REFUND POLICY: A nonrefundable deposit of $25 is due with the first payment. Refunds are granted as follows:

• 100% back (minus the nonrefundable $25 deposit) if registration is canceled within two weeks of start date.
• 75% back (minus the nonrefundable $25 deposit) if registration is canceled within one week of the start date.
• 50% back (minus the nonrefundable $25 deposit) if registration is canceled within three days of the start date.
• No refund if registration is canceled less than two days prior to the start date.

EMERGENCY CANCELLATION POLICY: We understand that unexpected life circumstances sometimes interrupt your plans. If you need to cancel enrollment due to an emergency, our staff will work with you on a refund plan.

BEHAVIOR DISMISSAL POLICY: Fees are nonrefundable if a student is asked to leave for disciplinary reasons. Bullying toward another student or staff member will not be tolerated and result in immediate dismissal from the program. Additional weeks will be refunded minus the nonrefundable $25 deposit. We are committed to working with students, parents and guardians to ensure everyone has a positive experience.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Guthrie Education reserves the right to cancel a virtual summer youth experience due to insufficient registration up to one week before the start date. In this case, you will be notified and receive a full refund, including the $25 deposit.
What if my student is shy and/or doesn't know anyone?
We are committed to creating positive, engaging experiences for all, so we include activities designed to help students get to know each other (and themselves) better. We welcome all students regardless of race, creed, color, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression, height, weight or physical or mental ability. Our goal is to create an artistic space where everyone feels comfortable expressing themselves.

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 experience.

Who may I contact if I have further questions?
Reach out to us at camps@guthrietheater.org.