

Summer School 2020 Audition
Into the Woods
Stafford Gatehouse Theatre on 29th March 2020

Theatre experience is not essential, just a passion and enthusiasm for performing! Please read the following information carefully and complete the online application at www.staffordgatehousetheatre.co.uk

Production Information

Venue – Stafford Gatehouse Theatre

Rehearsals – Two week rehearsal period (Monday to Friday) from Monday 27th July 2020.

Technical Rehearsals – Begin Monday 10th August 2020

Performance Dates - Wednesday 12th August 2020 – Saturday 15th August 2020

Please note any applicant must be available for all rehearsals, technical rehearsals and performances.

Audition Day Information

- Registration for ages **7-12** will take place **9.30am** at Stafford Gatehouse with auditions running from **10:30am -12:30pm**.
- Registration for ages **13-21** will take place **2:00pm** at Stafford Gatehouse with auditions running from **3:00pm – 5:00pm**.
- Please arrive promptly for registration as we will start on time.
- Only auditionees between the ages 7-21 will be accepted upon successful audition.

Audition Guidelines

- Please wear comfortable clothing and suitable shoes (ideally jazz or ballet shoes please).
- Please tie long hair back and if hair is very long, please tie in a bun.
- Make sure your child has water with them.
- Should your child be asthmatic, have allergies, or any other condition which requires medication, please ensure they have this with them.

How the audition day works

Places are offered on the basis of a successful audition. The auditions are a relaxed group based audition covering singing, dance and movement, script reading and improvisation. The outcome is based solely on our assessment of each individual's ability and behaviour, as shown on the day. **Please note and respect that the director's decision is final.** The sessions will last approximately 30 minutes each with the full audition lasting 2 hours for both the morning and afternoon's audition.

What we are looking for

We are looking for a group of 70 participants aged between 7-21 years with a passion for musical theatre to join us for a summer of singing and dancing as part of our cast for this year's Summer school: *Into the Woods*.

Big Commitment

Being in a Summer School production is a big commitment and takes up a lot of your time during the summer. Participants taking part in Summer School must be available for all rehearsals and performances as **NO REHEARSALS OR PERFORMANCES CAN BE MISSED.**

Chaperoning

One adult relative/ guardian of each successful child is required to act as a chaperone for some rehearsals and performances. If this person does not already hold a valid chaperone licence, this will need to be acquired personally before rehearsals commence. More information on chaperoning will be made available to those who are successful. This is compulsory for all successful auditionees.

Production Dates and Times

Rehearsal week 1: Monday 27th- Thursday 30th July 9.30am - 4.30pm
Friday 1st August 9.30am - 6pm

Rehearsal week 2: Monday 3rd - Thursday 6th August 9.30am - 4.30pm
Friday 7th August 9.30am - 6pm

Technical Rehearsals: Monday 10th August – Tuesday 11th August, TBC.

Performances Schedule: Wednesday 12th August 7:30pm
Thursday 13th August 7:30pm
Friday 14th August 7:30pm
Saturday 15th August 2.30pm and 7.30pm

****Times may be subject to alterations.***

Script

If your child is issued with a script it must be returned by **Saturday 15^h August** in the same condition as issued. **Lost or damaged scripts will incur an additional cost.**

Fee

The fee is £237 for 3 weeks tuition in a professional theatre. Second/third children £189. We can offer limited concessions of £118.50 for those receiving means-tested benefits, for which proof will be required. The fee is payable in advance and must be received by Friday 3rd July 2020. No payment by this date will forfeit the place and it will be offered to someone on the waiting list.

Other Information

You may be requested to provide elements of your own costume for the production.

There is an in house behaviour policy, which **all** our applicants are expected to follow.

For any further details regarding this audition and production please do not hesitate to contact Wes Carter – Production Coordinator for Stafford Gatehouse Theatre.

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We hope to see you on the auditions day, good luck!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Wes Carter".

Wes Carter
Production Coordinator