

WHO IS LIGHT UP?

Light UP's innovative youth theatre programme puts the needs of the student centre stage to inspire, encourage and support them to confidently be whoever they want to be so whether on stage or off, they shine.

We are a performing arts charity with a mission to ensure all young people have access to the highest quality creative experiences and drama classes in and out of the school setting.

Our Inset Days are designed to take the stress and expense out of childcare provisions for working parents while providing an enriching and educational day for their children, whilst earning funds for your school.

Each Drama Inset Day is carefully crafted and planned according to a chosen theme, anything from Greatest Showman, Harry Potter, Roald Dahl to all things Disney, there is nothing we can't transform into a playful scheme for the day, to suit all the children attending.

All materials are supplied. Staff attending are DBS and Paediatric First Aid certified. Prices begin at £25 per student, to be paid by the parent at the time of booking. 15% of the profit will be donated to the school's PTA.

DRAMA INSET DAYS . . .

- Help families with childcare
- Bring students together
- Develop students' confidence and creativity
- Raise money for your school
- Provide extra opportunities for student growth

HOW DOES IT WORK

- 1. Send us an email to notify us of your inset days to confirm your interest
- 2. We'll send you a PDF letter to distribute to parents
- 3. Parents book their child's spot through our website
- 4. We confirm staff and send their DBS details
- 5. We will provide numbers/names with you a few days before
- 6. We deliver your Drama Inset Day in your regular school hours, in the hall/room(s) of your choice
- 7. We give your school or PTA 15% of the profit



INSET DAYS ARE AN
IMPORTANT TIME FOR
SCHOOLS TO PREP AND
PLAN...BUT OFTEN
THAT MAKES IT DIFFICULT
FOR PARENTS TO DO THE
SAME FOR THEIR
CHILDCARE.

Where is the event held?

The event will be run in your school. Typically we deliver in the school hall or another familiar central location as long as its deemed suitable for the amount attending, as dictated by the school.

How many children are in each workshop?

We need a minimum of 10 to run a session. The maximum number depends on the space at your school and how many members of our staff are available.

What is the student to teacher ratio?

This depends on the ages of the students. For Infant school groups, we always have a minimum of 2 teachers. Our usual ratio is 1:10 but staffing is always determined on the needs of the students, the amount attending and any other notable factors.

How long is the event?

The event is scheduled to fit in with typical school hours. Drop off and pick up with be in usual school times to help families keep to their daily routines.

What does our school need to provide?

We will need access to a hall or classroom(s) of your choice. We'll arrive approximately 30 minutes before the event to set up and we typically need 30 minutes to clean and pack up after all the children have been collected. On average a school will earn a donation of up to £100 for a well attended event.

Do you run drama clubs in schools?

Yes, we do. Light UP is the educational branch of registered charity, Unexpected Places. We're always happy to hear from schools to see how we can best Light UP your classroom. We work both in community centres and in schools - and also work in some schools as part of their curriculum classes. Outreach delivery is a large part of our focus aiming to provide affordable and accessible drama and performing arts education to young people and educators. We also run LAMDA clubs and classes, putting young people through acting and performance exams. To speak more about this, or other offers we can bring to your school, email our

Creative Communities Manager Susie@lightupdrama.org.uk.

WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS?

We can't wait to get to know the students at your school!

Send us your inset days and leave the rest to us!

GET IN TOUCH:

To request more information or to book on with Light UP, email: Susie@lightupdrama.org.uk

OTHER WAYS TO LIGHT UP AT YOUR SCHOOL

From one-hour sessions, to day-long workshops, Drama Inset Days or other arts-based projects, we can provide a variety of options for young learners, school aged children, young people, adults and teaching staff. Whether it be with our Light UP creative team, Unexpected Places or our network of associated practitioners, our offers are intended to excite, engage, educate and inspire our audience.

Everything is created with accessibility and inclusivity in mind to ensure that those taking part leave having felt the positive benefits of the arts and the impact they can make on how we learn and engage with our world. All of our offerings can be adapted to suit the needs of your setting and we're also happy to create a bespoke scheme of work for settings that would like more flexibility or to link up with their current curriculum.

FOR MORE INFO:

EMAIL CREATIVE COMMUNITIES MANAGER, SUSIE@LIGHTUPDRAMA.ORG.UK

Curriculum Workshops: We can plan bespoke arts-based or themed 1 hour, 1/2 day or whole day workshops for a range of settings, needs and abilities. Prior workshops include *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Spiderwick, Harry Potter* and *Matilda*. All equipment and materials are included.

Professional Performances and Artists Visits: As the educational branch of Unexpected Places, a professional theatre company, we are in a unique position to be able to offer a variety of engaging, enriching and educational performances. Specialising in puppetry and devised performances, Unexpected Places continues to tour locally offering great opportunities to access theatre direct from your school hall or classrooms. (Recent work includes "Looking Down on Me," a piece focusing on childhood bereavement which is available digitally to schools and bereavement charities.)

Performances can be offered with after-show talks or extended learning activities with company actors. Prices vary and can be dependent on what is currently touring. Advance booking is strongly encouraged.

CPD Visits to schools: We will lead group training in school for your teaching staff. This includes but is not limited to LAMDA tuition, Team Building for All Ages, Creative Lesson Planning, Emotional Literacy for young children and Learning through Play for young children. All resources are included in either a physical or digital format. This can be run in your setting or at our head-quarters, UP Studios, located in Hamble.

Putting on a Show: We are here to educate, inspire and help produce an original play or scripted piece of your choosing, to be performed by your students at the end of the project. There is nothing like having to work under pressure to see the resilience, teamwork and creativity needed to inspire and produce great results from your students. Performance projects can be delivered as a 'Play in a Day' for a quick turnaround or adapted to suit a lengthier rehearsal process like a Christmas Pageant or Nativity, This offer can easily incorporate an Arts Award element so students not only have the thrill of a live performance but can work towards recognised certification.







DOING YOUTH THEATRE DIFFERENTLY





