

After much deliberation and taking into account all the government's social distancing guidelines we have decided that we cannot run a physical Summer School this year 2020. We know from the success of the online tutorials that we can facilitate virtual classrooms so we are going to be running an E-School where you can access quality tuition from the comfort of your own home.

Our E- School will have 4 pathways to choose from:

The Musical Theatre pathway will be a celebration of the wonderful world of song and dance including workshops, technique and training in singing, dance and acting – it will allow you to develop your skills in the core elements of the discipline and indulge in the delights of the music and characters of this rich and wonderful genre of theatre

The Drama pathway will delve into the delights of pure drama and plays and will include workshops, technique and training in voice, characterisation, physicality and acting – all the tools that will make your performances get rave reviews - we'll cover a range of genres and texts from Shakespeare to Contemporary work

The Technical pathway will give vital insight into what happens behind the scenes in theatre and will include workshops and training in Stage management, costume and sound – there'll be a chance to think about collaboration and communication as well as exploration of specific technical disciplines

The Multi-disciplinary pathway is a smorgasbord of delights for those students who don't like to commit to one thing – this varied programme will include workshops, technique and training in directing, writing, dramaturge, stage combat and directing amongst other theatre related treats

Each pathway will run Monday – Friday with slots 10am – 12pm and 1 – 3pm

There will also be none-pathway evening options from 4 – 6pm each day

Each session will be stand alone – you can only access sessions in the pathway you have chosen but you will be able to miss a session if you can't make it and then pick up the next one without feeling like you've missed out on something essential to the rest of the week

We hope this has enticed you into signing up – the full timetable for all pathways will be available from the 15<sup>th</sup> of June

As you can imagine there is a lot to finalise, but a full timetable, plus tutors, will be available, on the website, on 15<sup>th</sup> June and we will be taking bookings from currently booked students from the 15<sup>th</sup> June until 29<sup>th</sup> June. After this time any unfilled places will be available to other NODA members. The cost of a week's tuition will be £100 per student.

To fund your participation in this exciting initiative you may wish to use your deposit for this year. If you do not wish to be part of the E-School you can have your deposit and all your monies refunded or you may wish to defer any money due to you against Summer School 2021 - (if for any reason you cannot make the 2021 School any monies held would be

refunded) - the choice is yours. We would aim to make refunds immediately following 29th June.

Thank you so much for your patience – it has been a difficult decision to make, but we feel it is the right decision for everyone in these unprecedented circumstances.

NODA Theatre Summer School Committee 2020