

Travel • Accommodation • Food • Activities

Drama & Performing Arts (All Key Stages)

Inspire your pupils on one of our performing arts and drama residential visits. This 3 or 5 day package encourages participation, creativity and imagination. You may have an Idris Elba or a Meryl Streep on your hands!



Delivered by theatre professionals from Dreamshed Theatre, this lively and packed residential visit programme offers a range of educational and fun theatre workshops for pupils of all year groups. All Dreamshed staff are DBS checked, represent all areas of theatre practice and have extensive experience of working with students of all ages.

In addition to developing the pupils' performance skills, the courses also encourage social interaction and teamworking. Pupils gain hands-on theatrical experience in improvisation, playwriting and are encouraged to develop their imagination with the help of experienced professional actors.

Some of our workshops include:

- Improvisation skills
- Being and Actor – “tricks of the trade”
- Voice & Text – how to use your voice and deliver text effectively
- Shakespeare's Magic – introduction to Macbeth & A Midsummer- Night's dream
- So, you want to be a playwright – A practical guide to scriptwriting
- From page to stage – Making a play come to life
- Poetry & Performance – fun with verse
- Let's do a show – from rehearsal to performance in two hours!

Curriculum Links:

P.S.H.E & Citizenship, Drama and Dance, English, Communication, Team Building, Culture Studies, Story-telling.

What's included:

Return executive coach travel to your chosen venue, either 2 or 4 nights full board accommodation plus a full range of agreed workshops and activities.

Availability & How to Book

Our programmes are delivered ALL YEAR ROUND and we are able to offer even greater value for trips taken during low season (November to March). Simply give us a call or drop us an email and we'll do the rest!

About our Locations



Choose from our range of residential venues - all located in incredible and diverse surroundings:

Boggle Hole (N Yorks)

Ilam Hall (Staffordshire)

Ravenstor (Derbyshire)

Bristol



Langdale (Lake District)

Stratford upon Avon

Coalport (Shropshire)

London

Whitby (North Yorkshire)

Conwy (North Wales)

Manchester

Wilderhope (Shropshire)

Hawkshead (Lake District)

National Forest (Derbyshire)

York



Dreamshed Theatre

Dreamshed is a professional theatre company which was formed in 2003. The company presents live theatre in a wide range of venues, staging new writing as well as established works.

Dreamshed also specialises in creating customised theatre and drama workshops for students of all ages and works with schools, colleges and universities across the country. These workshops are led by professional theatre practitioners and qualified teachers.


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All requests can be catered for but below are examples of current popular choices:

Storytelling Workshop

This is a very popular activity for groups large and small. Using highly participative techniques, a story is brought to life and then performed. Voice, singing, music and movement skills are all encouraged as stories old come vibrantly alive!



Drama Workshop, based on a specific Shakespearean play

The emphasis of this Workshop is to introduce the students to the selected play by deploying suitably adapted techniques from the professional theatre to identify major themes in the work. In this practical and enjoyable way, students learn some 'tricks of the trade' which enable professional actors and directors to engage with the text. The group then work on selected extracts from the play and take the material from 'the page to the stage', resulting in a focus on performance techniques. This is a highly practical course of approximately 2 hours duration.



Introduction to Shakespeare Workshop

This general 'taster' workshop is an ideal way to explore Shakespeare's work in a fun and informative way. The emphasis is very much on practical activities, using a range of drama techniques and warm up games, demonstrating the principle that Shakespeare wrote his plays as performance pieces rather than literary documents. This is a great introduction to the Bard and students enjoy



Improvisation Workshop

Students are introduced to the art of improvisation in this highly participative creative session. The skills encouraged are relevant for all, regardless of aptitude for theatre. The building blocks of improvisation help develop spontaneity, listening and communication skills, as well as building self-confidence – all eminently useful transferrable skills. The course is of approximately 2 hours duration.



Mask Making Workshop

Mask making is a creative work shop in which students will discover the history of masks and their origins. Students will then plan designs for their masks and will then be given time to create them using the range of materials provided. If time allows, students can finish with a short 'performance' using their masks as props. The course is of approximately 2 hours duration.



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