

Young Technicians 2023-24 - Application Form

Thank you for your interest in Stratford East's Young Technicians Course for 16-21 year-olds. Please complete this online application form to express your interest. We are pleased to be running the course in partnership with RADA and Backstage Niche.

WHAT? Stratford East's Young Technicians Course

DATES? Thursday evenings from Thu 16 Nov 2023 to Thu 22 Feb 2024 (+1 Saturday on **Sat 17 Feb 2024**)

TIMES? Thursday evenings 6.30pm - 8.30pm + Sat 17 Feb 2024 10am-5pm.

WHERE? Theatre Royal Stratford East, E15 1BN + RADA, 62-64 Gower Street, London, WC1E 6ED

HOW MUCH? FREE

DEADLINE TO APPLY: Mon 02 Oct 2023, midday.

All eligible applicants will be invited to join us at a **Selection Workshop** at **RADA** on **Thu 26 Oct 2023, 6.30pm-8.30pm** or **Sat 28 October 2023, 10.30am-5pm**.

The selection workshops are an opportunity for us to meet you in a group setting, and for you to learn more about the course, take part in fun activities and meet new people. The workshops are informal and you won't need to prepare anything!

Successful applicants will be confirmed via email by 30 October 2023, after the Selection Workshops.

If you have any questions, please contact Maya at getinvolved@stratfordeast.com.

This form should take no more than 12 minutes to complete.

Personal Details

1. Full Name *

2. Email Address *

3. Telephone Number *

4. Are you happy for us to contact you via text? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

5. Home Address *


6. Postcode *

7. Borough *

8. School / College / University

If you are currently in education, please let us know where you are studying. Leave blank if you are not currently in education.

9. Date of Birth *



Equal Opportunities Monitoring

The information collected is strictly confidential, and is used to help us monitor which groups are represented or under-represented in our projects. This section is NOT mandatory – you may select 'Prefer Not To Say' in response to questions.

10. Ethnicity *

- ☐ Asian / British Asian - Indian
- ☐ Asian / British Asian - Pakistani
- ☐ Asian / British Asian - Bangladeshi
- ☐ Asian / British Asian - Chinese
- ☐ Any other Asian background
- ☐ Black / Black British - African
- ☐ Black / Black British - Caribbean
- ☐ Any other Black / African / Caribbean background
- ☐ Mixed - White and Black Caribbean
- ☐ Mixed - White and Black African
- ☐ Mixed - White and Asian
- ☐ Any other Mixed / Multiple ethnic background
- ☐ White - English / Welsh / Scottish / Northern Irish / British
- ☐ White - Irish
- ☐ Any other White background
- ☐ Any other Ethnic group
- ☐ I would prefer to self-identify my ethnicity in the description box below
- ☐ Prefer not to say

11. If you would prefer to describe your ethnicity, please do so below

Not mandatory

12. Gender *

- ☐ Male
- ☐ Female
- ☐ Non Binary
- ☐ I would prefer to self-identify in the description box below
- ☐ Prefer not to say

13. If you would prefer to describe your gender, please do so below

Not mandatory

14. Do you identify as deaf or disabled? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Prefer not to say

15. Do you have any access needs? *

E.g. staff support, workshop plans in advance, large font on printouts, access to a breakout space etc.

If you would like to make us aware of any disabilities or access needs, please let us know. The information you provide will help us to ensure the right support is in place for you on Young Technicians, and will not impact the shortlisting process.

You are also welcome to speak to the team on the phone if this is easier. You can call Maya on (0)20 8279 1104.

If you do not have any access needs, please state N/A.

16. Did you receive Free School Meals when you were at school? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not sure

Emergency Contact Details

We will contact your nominated person via these details in the case of an emergency.

17. Full Name *

18. Relationship to You *

E.g. Mother, grandparent, brother, uncle, etc.

19. Email Address *

20. Mobile Number *

Tell us why you are interested in Young Technicians

Young Technicians is an introductory, practical course, offering local 16-21 year-olds the opportunity to work with industry professionals in backstage theatre. The programme is designed for young people with no experience of backstage theatre, and will include hands-on workshops in lighting, sound and stage management.

We'd love to know a little more about you and why you're interested in joining us on the course.

You are welcome to submit a short video or audio file (no longer than 3 minutes) answering the questions below. Please send your file to getinvolved@stratfordeast.com with the subject title "Young Technicians Application".

21. Why are you interested in applying for Young Technicians? *

Max 300 words

22. What experience do you have of Technical Theatre? *

If you do not have any specific Technical Theatre experience, please tell us about any other experience you have. This could be coursework, school projects or hobbies/interests. For instance, we'd love to hear if you enjoy making your own clothes, designing your own music or have experience of working with resistant materials.

Max 300 words

23. Which areas of Technical Theatre are you most interested in? *

We may not be able to run workshops on each of the areas below, but it's great to know what interests you.

- ☐ Lighting - design
- ☐ Lighting - rigging / setting up
- ☐ Lighting - programming / operating
- ☐ Sound - design
- ☐ Sound - rigging / setting up
- ☐ Sound - programming / operating
- ☐ Set / Stage - design
- ☐ Set / Stage - building
- ☐ Costume - design
- ☐ Stage Management

24. Prioritising applicants from underrepresented backgrounds *

Young Technicians aims to address the imbalance of people from underrepresented backgrounds working in Backstage Theatre roles.

As such, we are prioritising applications from people from Black and Global Majority backgrounds, women and non-binary people, trans people, disabled and neurodiverse people, care experienced, and those from lower socio-economic backgrounds.

If you identify in this way please use this section to tell us more about this in your own words.

Evaluation Monitoring

These questions are for internal use only, and do not inform our shortlisting process.

All participants will be asked the same questions at the end of the programme, to help us monitor the impact our programmes have on participants.

25. On a scale of 1-10, how would you score your sense of confidence? *

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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Not confident at all

Completely confident

26. What type of skills do you hope to develop on Young Technicians? *

- ☐ Lighting skills
- ☐ Sound skills
- ☐ Stage management skills
- ☐ Communication skills
- ☐ Team working skills
- ☐ Problem solving skills
- ☐ Creative skills

27. What level of experience do you have in theatre? *

1	2	3	4	5
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Theatre is new to
me / is a new hobby

Taken part in paid
professional theatre
work

Workshop Dates & Final Details

28. Please let us know which dates you are available to attend a Selection Workshop at RADA *

We will confirm the specific time of the workshop via email

☐ Thursday 26 October, 6.30pm-8.30pm

☐ Saturday 28 October, 10.30am-5pm

29. Please confirm that you are available for all 14 sessions of Young Technicians *

Sessions will be held on:

Thursday evenings at 6.30pm-8.30pm on:

16 Nov 2023, 23 Nov 2023, 30 Nov 2023, 07 Dec 2023, 14 Nov 2023, 11 Jan 2024, 18 Jan 2024, 25 Jan 2024, 01 Feb 2024, 08 Feb 2024, 15 Feb 2024, 22 Feb 2024

A free trip to see the Stratford East pantomime Jack and the Beanstalk on:

Fri 15 Dec 2023, 6pm-9pm

AND a full-day Saturday session on:

Sat 17 Feb 2024 at 10am-5pm

Please indicate in the box below if you are unavailable for any of these dates.

☐ Yes, I am available for every session

☐ No, I am not available for every session (please list the dates(s) you are unavailable below)

30. If you are not available for all course dates, please indicate below which dates you will not be able to attend *

31. Photography Consent *

Stratford East may wish to take photographs or video footage for promotional purposes. Are you happy to be photographed?

Please type your full name below to grant us permission. (Please write "NO", if you do not give permission).

32. How did you hear about Young Technicians? *

- ☐ Stratford East Newsletter
- ☐ Stratford East Website
- ☐ RADA Website
- ☐ Facebook
- ☐ Instagram
- ☐ Via your school/college/university
- ☐ Word of mouth

33. Stratford East run lots of activities for young people throughout the year and we'd love to let you know about these. Would you like to sign up to hear about other opportunities? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Data Protection

The applicant acknowledges that Pioneer Theatres Ltd (trading as Stratford East) holds and processes personal data about them for all purposes linked to their application. Pioneer Theatres Ltd owns and operates Theatre Royal Stratford East (TRSE) and is a data controller and processor as defined in the General Data Protection Regulations.

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