



The Carriageworks Young Theatre Makers (CYTM) are groups of young people aged between 10 and 19 who meet weekly to create new and original theatre. CYTM develops young people's confidence and skills as actors, writers and directors through creating three performances over the course of a year.

CYTM is led by director Ruth Cooper and the members have the opportunity to work with other industry professionals such as performers, designers and stage managers.

In creating a new piece of theatre the CYTM work as an ensemble, developing team-work skills and increasing their vocabulary of contemporary performance styles and techniques. The young people form a supportive group in which their creativity is nurtured and they are offered a genuine platform for their ideas.

CYTM shows [are] clearly developed with the young actors involvement and stemmed from their own ideas. Ruth manages to get the balance right between a genuine interest in what young people have to say and a professional script and production that they feel proud to be part of.

Parent of CYTM member 2015

For examples of CYTM's work please visit www.leeds.gov.uk/carriageworks and click on the 'participate' tab.

"I have so much fun with the people here and pushing myself to creative limits. The activities are interesting and challenging and result in excellent end products."

CYTM member 2015

YOUNG PEOPLE'S ARTS AWARD

Through the CYTM we offer young people the opportunity to gain a Bronze or Silver Arts Award. The Arts Award supports young people to develop as artists and arts leaders and is a nationally recognised qualification run by Arts Council England and Trinity Guildhall. For more information go to www.artsaward.org.uk

I'd recommend CYTM because you do three performances and get the chance to do Arts Award.

CYTM member 2015

HOW TO JOIN CYTM

Due to high levels of interest every year, places will be filled by an informal audition process. It will be a group workshop audition in which the young people will be asked to take part in games and activities which will give a flavour of how we work; there is no need to prepare anything. This will also be your chance to meet us and find out more about CYTM.

The two workshop auditions will be on **Tuesday 19th July 6.00-7.30pm**. Please wear suitable clothes and footwear. These sessions will include registration, introduction to CYTM and the group audition.

Please book your place by emailing carriageworksytm@gmail.com or calling 07891 272410 telling us your name, age and telephone number.



THE FEES

The fees for 2015-16 are £360 (approx. £9 per session). This cost includes:

- Sept-July rehearsal sessions on Saturdays 12.30-2.30pm or 3-5pm
- Creating a performance installation for citywide event; Leeds Light Night
- Creating a new performance for the Carriageworks Theatre spring programme in January/February 2017. Previous productions have also taken place through partnership projects in venues such as Leeds City Museum and Leeds Town Hall.
- Creating a full-scale summer production performed on Carriageworks Theatre's Main Auditorium in July 2017. ***Please note that this performance on Saturday, 29 July will follow weekday rehearsals in the first week of the summer holidays.***
- Arts Award tuition for those interested in taking a Bronze or Silver award.
- Free tickets for selected performances at the Carriageworks Theatre.

The fees will be billed in the following three instalments:

- £120 Instalment 1 16 September 2016
- £120 Instalment 2 16 December 2017
- £120 Instalment 3 16 April 2017

Some bursaries may be available, please contact us for more details and an application form.

[in CYTM]... everyone is so welcoming and accepting. It helps people develop life skills and improves confidence.

CYTM member 2015



CYTM MISSION STATEMENT

CYTM will:

- Inspire and challenge young people to develop skills in theatrical performance and production.
- Allow young people to realise their creative potential, develop their life skills and enhance their quality of life.
- Provide young people with increased knowledge of working within the creative industries.
- Promote best practice in the treatment of young people, in order to facilitate an environment where creativity can flourish.

All CYTM staff are DBS checked and abide by Leeds City Council:

- Safeguarding Policy
- Equality and Diversity Policy
- Health and Safety Policy (including Risk Assessing all activities)
- Young People's behaviour policy

I come to CYTM because I enjoy the activities and it makes me feel comfortable performing in front of people. I have made amazing friends here.

CYTM member 2015

ABOUT THE CARRIAGEWORKS THEATRE

The Carriageworks Theatre is a thriving performance venue at the heart of Leeds' Millennium Square. It showcases the best new national and regional performance with a dynamic programme of theatre, dance, comedy and film. At the same time it provides support to young and emerging theatre makers, offering them a key platform to develop their work. The venue gives opportunities for members of the local community to take part in a variety of high quality arts activities, and is home to the Leeds Civic Arts Guild.

There are two performance spaces. The Main Auditorium is a proscenium arch theatre with a capacity of 349, and caters for larger-scale productions. Upstairs @ The Carriageworks is an intimate and flexible studio space with a maximum capacity of 70, and hosts an innovative selection of fresh and exciting work.

The Carriageworks Theatre is committed to being an accessible and safe venue for all people regardless of race, age, gender, sexual orientation, disability or religion.