



HARLOW PLAYHOUSE

YOUNG PRACTITIONERS

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The Mission

The Harlow Playhouse Young Practitioners Programme mission is simple – to provide free creative support, rehearsal spaces and performance opportunities for 16-25 year old creatives in the local area. As part of Harlow Playhouse’s ongoing commitment to improving culture and community outreach and involvement in Harlow, this new programme seeks to engage and support young creatives and therefore the future of art and culture in the area. The programme is and will always be, free of charge for the Young Practitioners, the only cost would be that of the individual’s time and creative input.

The Programme will be headed up by Nathan Stickley (GSA, Head of Creative & Programming for Harlow Playhouse) and overseen by Rory Davies (Harlow Playhouse Director) and will be based at Harlow Playhouse, utilising the building’s multiple rehearsal studios and performance spaces. The programme is designed to encourage and nurture young creative talent, to create a network of creatives to support and work with each other – and link young creatives to industry professionals and performance opportunities both professional and amateur. The Young Practitioners will network with each other across social media platforms and regular social meetings and planning sessions.

The Programme is designed to run alongside all other commitments, school, college, theatre school, performance academy, university and work. The Young Practitioners Programme has been conceived to support and develop young creatives alongside all that they do and will fit in with all other commitments. The Young Practitioners Programme welcomes all interest, from young actors, writers, dancers, spoken word artists, painters and technicians to budding directors, rappers, musicians, poets – the list is exhaustive. If someone you know is aged 16-25, creative, interested in the Arts and wants to further their knowledge and their career – if they want to collaborate with other like-minded creatives and benefit from working alongside industry professionals in a vibrant professional theatre, then this programme is for them.



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Harlow Playhouse continues to be at the centre of changing Harlow's reputation, ensuring that it is seen as a hub of **opportunity**, **inclusivity** and **creativity**. Harlow Playhouse does this by delivering a balanced programme, with a focus on community, commissions, commercial and contemporary work.

Harlow Playhouse is not only a central hub of art and entertainment, it's a professional and community venue delivering a programme balanced by receiving, producing and commissioning varied forms of production art.

We welcome those in need of inspiration, training or just a cup of tea! Harlow Playhouse will always be a safe, inclusive and an accessible space, fulfilling the social, creative and educational needs of the local community and beyond - whilst being open, brave, artistically ambitious and relevant to Harlow and the wider community whether someone is aged 3 or 93!



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Venue Facilities



- ❖ **Theatre 1:** 400 Seat proscenium theatre
- ❖ **Theatre 2:** 120 Seat thrust stage studio space
- ❖ **Studio One:** dance studio, with sprung floor, mirrored wall, sound system
- ❖ **Studio Two:** drama and dance studio, mirrored wall and sound system
- ❖ **Mezzanine:** mirrored wall, sprung dance floor
- ❖ **The Lounge:** meeting tables, power sockets
- ❖ **Café Bar:** hot and cold drinks and food

What a Young Practitioner Receives



- Free access to rehearsal and performance space
- Opportunity to collaborate with other creatives
- Links to professional work
- Collaborations with industry professionals
- Free workshops and masterclasses
- Performance opportunities both amateur and professional
- Potential access to Arts Council funding for new work
- Opportunity to become a Harlow Playhouse casual staff member
- A free Harlow Playhouse Limited Membership
- 10% Café Bar discount
- 7 days a week access to the building



Harlow Playhouse Limited Membership



Every Young Practitioner will also receive a Harlow Playhouse Limited Membership. Available exclusively to members of our resident companies and partners - you'll receive;

- ❖ Discounts on every show and you'll be the first to know about any special offers.
- ❖ Monthly newsletters keeping you in the loop with everything going on at Harlow Playhouse.
- ❖ Invitations to special events, hosted by Harlow Playhouse and Harlow Playhouse Trust.

Priority booking on every show!

Get your tickets before they go on general sale, with our brand new Priority Club. Beat the queues and secure your favourite seat for the best comedy, theatre and music around!

Get 10% discount on our full café range.

Enjoy our delicious new menu, at our Café Bar. From sandwiches, wraps, salads and paninis, we've got something for everyone. Everyone deserves a break!

Links To Professional Work



The Young Practitioners Programme aims to provide young talent with professional opportunities, whether it's a visiting company to Harlow Playhouse that needs local performers to appear in their shows, or a company that needs actors to research and develop new work.

There are also opportunities for the Young Practitioners themselves to create work and apply for funding from Arts Council England or other bodies.

Some Young Practitioners aged 18+ may also want to get more involved in the day to day operations at Harlow Playhouse by applying to become a casual member of staff, with either the Front of House team or with our fantastic Technical department.

Getting Involved

If you are aged 16-25, passionate about the arts and want to create, collaborate, change and inspire – come and be part of something important. Join the Harlow Playhouse Young Practitioners Programme today!

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