

# WEST END ON DEMAND WEST END WORKSHOPS

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# WORK WITH WESTEND

#### Rachel Bingham Director



Rachel is a West End theatre performer and the director of West End On Demand Ltd.

She wanted to use her passion for performing to encourage children and students of all ages to enhance their confidence, creativity and talent.

Since graduating from the Mountview Academy Of Theatre Arts in 2005 Rachel has performed extensively in theatre and television. Her work includes:

Billy Elliot (West End) Les Miserables (West End) Les Miserables 25th Anniversary Concert (O2 Arena) The Sound Of Music (West End) Acorn Antiques The Musical! (UK Tour, Victoria Wood) That Day We Sang (Manchester, Victoria Wood) The Hour (Series 2, BBC) Victoria Wood's Midlife Christmas (BBC) BBC Proms

Rachel created West End On Demand in 2009 and since then the company has gone from strength to strength offering theatre workshops to schools, colleges and drama groups throughout the UK or as part of study tour packages and school trips to London.

# Learn from the best

West End On Demand bring the West End professionals to you. We offer theatre workshops and talks to schools, colleges and theatre groups in the UK and abroad.

Our exciting workshops are taught by current and past cast members from the top West End shows, guaranteeing you are working with the best. We are passionate about learning through drama and in our workshops we focus on building confidence, creativity, communication skills and talent, whilst having lots of fun. "We have had many workshops from West End On Demand and our pupils have loved every one. It is a wonderful insight into how the West End works and each professional has given our pupils tips on how to improve their performance and audition techniques."

Sarah Williams, Timestep Academy Of Dance & Performing Arts

#### **Benefits**

- Work with West End professionals
- · Improve confidence and communication skills
- Build on talent and performance
- Team work and ensemble skills
- · Creativity and inspiration
- · Tie-in with your curriculum requirements
- Learn about West End shows
- Include us to enhance school creative days, World Week, World Book Day and other extracurricular activities
- We can provide you with a workshop as part of your trip to London or we can come to your venue

#### With experience comes expertise

Not only has every workshop leader we work with performed in the West End, they are also fantastic teachers who have taught all around the UK. They are passionate, friendly, encouraging and love sharing their talent and experience with others.

All teachers are fully insured and carry a DBS.

#### Included in the workshop

We tailor each workshop to suit your needs and we can work with any age group or level.

Workshops can include:

- Script work and drama exercises to develop theme ideas from a musical or play
- Learn choreography, music and scenes from a top West End show
- Work on creating a character
- Ensemble skills and team work
- · Exercises to boost confidence and creativity
- Q&A with a West End professional



# Workshops

We offer a large selection of workshops based on singing, dance, acting or West End shows. Please choose a workshop from the following list, or let us know if there is something else you would like:

#### SINGING

Sing like a West End professional in our West End singing workshop. Your group will be provided with a lyric sheet or sheet music from a West End show of your choice whilst working on technique, harmony, acting through song and performance.

#### DANCE

Dance can improve coordination, concentration, fitness, confidence and cooperation. Our dance workshops are lots of fun and you can choose any class from the list below:

- Musical Theatre
- Commercial/Street
- Tap
- Jazz
- Ballet
- Strictly Style Ballroom & Latin
- Keep Fit
- · World Dance Dance styles from around the world

#### **WEST END WORKSHOPS**

Our most popular workshops are our West End show workshops where you get to work on scenes, choreography or staging based on the top West End shows! Our workshops can be made up of a mixture of acting, singing or dance, or you can choose a specific area to work on. We can adapt our workshops to suit any age group and your requirements.

You can pick any West End show past or present, here are some of our most popular requests:

Les Miserables The Lion King Mamma Mia! Matilda Phantom Of The Opera Chicago Shrek Aladdin **Blood Brothers** Avenue Q The Play That Goes Wrong Hairspray War Horse Cats Frozen Grease Legally Blonde







#### WEST END AUDITION

Experience what it is like to audition for a West End show in a fun and relaxed environment. The group will learn tricks and tips from our West End cast member and the workshop can include West End audition dance routines, singing audition songs, sight reading and preparing audition text.

#### WEST END CLOSE UP

This talk-back session gives your group the unique opportunity of talking one on one with a West End professional about their journey to the West End. Your group will have the chance to ask questions, hear backstage stories and learn the tricks of the trade.

#### DRAMA

#### General Drama

This workshop is lots of fun and great to boost confidence within the group. Work on improvisation skills, character building, text and voice.

#### Working With A Director

This workshop explores the relationship between the actor and the director. Your group will learn practically what is expected during a rehearsal of an original West End production and a takeover cast.

#### Stanislavski & Brecht

Learn about Stanislavski or Brecht in a fun, engaging and practical way. Perfect to complement drama studies at school, college or university.

#### Shakespeare

Learn how to approach and perform Shakespeare text in this exciting workshop. Or we can devise a workshop based around a play you are studying.

#### Greek Drama

Learning through drama is a fantastic way for your students to absorb and explore this topic. Topics learnt include Greek Chorus ensemble skills, an introduction to mask work, and text exploration.

#### Acting For Camera

Discover the basics of film and TV acting whilst we focus on performance choices and the differences between theatre and television. The group will then get to learn what happens at a TV casting and practice a mock audition.

#### Stage Combat

Taught by a qualified stage combat instructor get to grips with the basics of stage combat and discover how actors make a fight look convincing. The workshop will include unarmed combat techniques, how to perform stage fight choreography and how to fight safely.

#### Puppetry

Learn the basics of puppetry and how to create a puppet character in this fun workshop taught by an experienced puppeteer.

#### **Public Speaking**

Work with a West End cast member on communication skills, voice, confidence and public speaking.

#### World Book Day

Celebrate World Book Day by giving your pupils a workshop based on a top book. Ideas include: Matilda, Charlie And The Chocolate Factory, Oliver Twist, Mary Poppins and War Horse.









"We are thoroughly impressed! Thank you for making World Week so magical! I highly recommend booking this company." Sarah Spearman, Dulverton School **BOODSAIDE BUDDESENDE BU** 

#### BRING THE WEST END TO YOU

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You don't need to go to London to experience the West End, West End On Demand are happy to come to your venue!

You can choose any of our workshops or let us know if there is something else you would like. You can book us for half a day which is 3 hours or a full day which is 6 hours (to include a lunch break). We structure the day how you wish, making us a really flexible choice to fit around your timetable. For example if booking a full day it could be divided as follows:

5 x 1 hour workshops 3 x 1 hour 40 minute workshops 2 x 2.5 hour workshops 1 x 5 hour workshop

#### HALF DAY - £350



Prices are for one workshop leader, additional leaders can be booked on request. Depending on location there may be some additional costs including transport, accommodation and travel time.

#### SCHOOL OR STUDY TRIP TO LONDON

London is one of the most vibrant cities for musical theatre in the world and the West End is at the centre of it all.

Make your trip to London extra special and take part in a West End workshop or class through West End On Demand. What sets us apart is that all of our workshops are taught by current and past West End cast members guaranteeing your group the best possible experience.

We offer 1 and 2 hour workshops based on the theme of your choice and we can cater for any ages and any size group. For very large groups we can run multiple workshops at the same time or run workshops back to back.

#### **ONE HOUR WORKSHOP**

Less than 20 participants - £250 20 or more participants - £12.50PP **TWO HOUR WORKSHOP** 

Less than 20 participants - £370 20 or more participants - £ 18.50 PP

## YOUR WEST END COURSE - YOUR WAY

### **3/4/5 Day West End Course**

Ever wondered what it would be like to be a West End performer? We invite your group to join us for this exciting tailor-made group programme and train with West End professionals in the heart of the West End.

#### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Work in West End rehearsal venues such as Pineapple Dance Studios or Danceworks
- Acting, singing and dance classes
- Workshops and masterclasses
- West End show ticket and/or backstage tour





#### PICK AND MIX YOUR PROGRAMME

The day will run 10am-1pm and 2pm-4pm and you can pick any class or workshop from our brochure for each session. Let us know if you have a West End show in mind to watch and we will arrange tickets for you, we can also take you behind the scenes to see the magic that happens backstage. What is fantastic about our group programme is that you can choose the dates, classes, workshops and shows... your programme your way.

#### **CLASSES RUN 10AM-4PM EACH DAY**

#### "THIS WAS THE BEST EXPERIENCE OF MY LIFE"



#### **Pick & Mix Your Programme**

#### Choose Classes

Acting, singing, dancing, stage combat, puppetry... you can choose any classes for the morning sessions

#### Choose Workshops

The afternoon sessions are dedicated to West End workshops, choose from our list on our group workshop page

#### Choose a show

You can choose any West End show for your group to watch

#### Choose a backstage tour

Les Miserables Drury Lane Theatre National Theatre Royal Opera House London Coliseum

3 DAY COURSE - £325PP 4 DAY COURSE - £425PP 5 DAY COURSE - £490PP PRICES INCLUDE CLASSES, WORKSHOPS, Backstage tour and tickets to a west end show Based on groups of 20+ www.westendondemand.com

# WEST END ON DEMAND WEST END WORKSHOPS

We regularly work in West End rehearsal studios:







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