

TYPT 2023

Applications are now open for TYPT - Talawa Theatre Company's FREE flagship programme for emerging theatre makers aged 18-25.

TYPT is a theatre laboratory - a unique FREE programme that facilitates collaboration between emerging and established theatre makers. Through a 4-week intensive, the company will create a theatre piece from scratch, through a collaborative process that provides a unique steppingstone for performers, directors, designers and technicians, and more, at the beginning of their careers. The programme will culminate in a series of shows.

Is TYPT for you?

For emerging theatre makers, whether working on or off stage, TYPT offers a unique space where every part of the process is shown. It is a chance to develop practice, test ideas, and personally develop within a group whilst creating a brand-new piece of theatre! To create the best environment for this we are looking for people who resonate with the values of this programme, which include:

- Experimentation, play, process-led learning and emergence
- Respect, trust and care
- Discipline, commitment, and completion
- Collaboration and teamwork

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KEY DETAILS

This is a 4-week full-time programme.

Programme dates

w/c 24th July 2023
WEEK 1 / Devising & rehearsals

w/c 31st July 2023
WEEK 2 / Devising & rehearsals

w/c7th August 2023
WEEK 3 / Devising & rehearsals

w/c 14th August 2023
WEEK 4 / SHOWS
4 shows will be paid at a traineeship rate

Times: 10am - 6pm (Mon - Fri)

Location:

Talawa Studio, Fairfield Halls, Park Lane, Croydon, CR9 1DG

Through TYPT we:

- Create a supportive learning environment that allows participants the opportunity to explore social and cultural issues relevant to them
- Engage participants in every stage of the creative process allowing them the freedom to create from their own cultural context
- Provide participants with an invaluable experience of working in a professional theatre environment alongside high-quality theatre practitioners
- Provide prominent platforms for their work to be seen and voices to be heard

Legacy & Testimonials

By completing TYPT, you will be part of an incredible community of alumni that spans from 1995 to today!

Past TYPT participants have gone on to have successful careers in theatre; working as performers, producers and writers for a range of organisations, including The Bush Theatre, Oval House, The Tricycle Theatre and Theatre Centre. Alumni include Michaela Coel (Chewing Gum, Channel 4; Medea, The National Theatre), Nonso Anozie (HBO's Game of Thrones and Zoo), Femi Oguns (Director of Identity Drama School) and Shanika Warren-Markland (Gone too Far, Adulthood, 4321).

"I came to TYPT looking for the empowerment to develop as a performer and writer, and I certainly succeeded, we all did [...] Talawa's enduring faith in developing new artists is remarkable and for my own journey TYPT was the biggest part of that."

Michaela Coel

"It is my opinion that TYPT is the jewel in the crown of Talawa Theatre Company. It is an emblem of the vision of the company that is mindful of the past and brave about the future — always living in the moment... This process as with last year's TYPT 10 has enriched my practice and I look forward to sharing this with other artists and participants" Nazli Tabatabai-Khatambakhsh

TO APPLY, you must be:

- aged 18-25
- an emerging theatre maker at the start of your career
- available to participate in the full 4-week programme, with one or two additional dates outside of this.

How to apply

Please apply via the application form below.

APPLY FOR TYPT 2023

Applications close: Thurs 6th April 2023, 10am

TYPT Auditions on:

- Tues 25th April, 18.30 20.30
- Thurs 27th April, 18.30 20.30

TYPT Interviews

- Weds 3rd May, 18.30 20.30
- Thurs 4th May, 18.30 20.30