TYCs DRAMA CLUB YOUTH THEATRE WORKSHOP PROGRAM

During TYCs Drama Club Workshop Program participants (5yrs – 8yrs) discover the world of theatre in a fun and stimulating learning environment. Each workshop provides a diverse assortment of theatre activities and exercises that aim to provide children with a hands on approach to drama. We also provide an opportunity for all students to perform at the end of each semester for parents and friends in a full-working theatre studio with lights, sound, cinematic projections, costumes, sets, props and their own personalized program too (with room for their autograph!).

TYCs Drama Club Youth Workshop Program focuses on students devising their own creative performance based on given class stimuli and their favourite known story/film/television characters (or own devised character). As students devise and develop their own imaginative storyline, a focus is also placed on the narrative of the story (orientation, climax/complication and resolution) and the journey of each individual character. As students build upon their performance making skills and work towards their end of semester group-devised performances, they will also participate in specific acting master-classes throughout the workshop program. These include:

- Team building theatre games to develop their confidence within their performance ensemble and explore their favourite story themes and characters.
- Idea-generation activities that drive the students group devised narrative forward.
- Performance activities that explore drama terminology, performance etiquette and stage presence.
- Vocal activities to ensure that they speak clearly and accurately on stage while also developing a strong character voice appropriate to their performance work.
- Movement activities throughout the stage space, ensuring that they understand spatial awareness with other characters. They will also explore stage areas along with suitable body positioning to ensure that all members of the audience can see them.
- Developing strategies for creative thinking and participating in a creative process where their imaginative thoughts can be translated on to the stage.
- A creative exploration of costume application appropriate for their devised performance depending on the play's time and setting.
- Energetic and innovative theatre activities students also develop their understanding of the Elements of Drama and Improvisation Techniques while working within their ensemble.
- Developing their ability to perform with the technical aspects of a live theatre performance such as lighting, sound and cinematic projections.
- Some students within this age group (who are up for the challenge) explore short-scripted extracts that are included within their group-devised performance piece.
- During some Drama Club Workshop Programs, students will devise with their group the performance and will also receive a script detailing the lines of dialogue that they have developed in class.

For further information about TYC Drama Club Youth Theatre Workshop Program please contact us on 40 41 4066 or email info@theyoungcompany.com.au.

Personal Skills Explored		Performance Skills Explored	
-	Confidence and Self-Esteem	-	Performing for a live audience
-	Language and Communication skills	_	Building a character and narrative
-	Working within a team environment	_	Performing group-devised plays
-	Creative thinking	-	Voice and movement activities
-	Friendships	_	Develop understanding of Elements of Drama
-	Idea-Generation	_	Develop understanding of Improvisation
-	Presentation skills	_	Freeze Frames, Role plays & Theatre Games
-	Group interaction skills	_	Performing with Lighting, Sound, Cinematic effects
		_	Costume application