



RATCLIFFE COLLEGE

Creative Scholarships: Drama - Years 7 & 12 Worth up to 50% of the School Fee



Criteria

A Year 7 Drama Scholar will eventually study GCSE Drama in Year 10 and a Year 12 Drama Scholar will take A Level Drama. Candidates need to be:

- Confident performers who can adapt both vocal and movement skills to portray character, making excellent use of facial expression and gesture.
- Creative when devising short plays, working collaboratively as part of a group.
- Have a positive and pro-active attitude.
- Convincingly perform a character from a script.
- Able to comment on professionally performed plays.
- Have performing experience either by taking the lead role in school productions or being involved with outside theatre groups. This could include: Stage coach, Lemon Jelly, The Curve Young Company, The Television Workshop, National Theatre.
- LAMDA (or equivalent) awards may be taken into consideration but are not a pre-requisite.

Scholarships are reviewed annually and their continuance is dependent upon attitude, conduct, participation and progress.

What we offer

Under the guidance of professional performers, teachers and technicians, we provide Drama Scholars with the opportunity to continuously hone their craft, gaining understanding of a wide variety of performance styles, whilst improving technique. They will be attending a number of theatre trips to see cutting edge and highly acclaimed productions. Opportunities will also be provided for students to attend workshops in school led by professional companies such as the internationally renowned, 'Frantic Assembly'.

Drama Scholarships at Ratcliffe College



Ratcliffe College stages a number of productions each year and drama scholars will attend as audience members as well as learning the 'tricks of the trade' backstage. Here, under the guidance of professional technicians, they will be able to assist with costume/make-up, light and sound and front of house. Scholars will take a principle role in the creation of performances for the House Drama competition as well as attending or assisting with the weekly drama club. They will also represent the department by performing for Exhibition Day and other school events.

In addition, we provide one to one training and advice for students who wish to audition for the National Youth Theatre, Drama Schools or holiday courses.

Assessment

Year 7 entry

On the day, students will be given a Drama lesson based on mime, devised and scripted work. Additionally, they need to prepare a monologue of their choice lasting no more than one minute. Their participation will reflect team skills, an awareness of the use of the stage and a sense of performance. Their vocal and physical skills will portray a wide range of characters. They may also be asked about any drama activities they have been involved with.

Year 12 entry

Candidates will be asked to prepare a monologue of their choice lasting no more than two minutes. On the day students will also be given a Drama lesson based on devised and scripted work. Their participation must reflect team skills, an awareness of the use of the stage and a confident sense of performance. Their vocal and physical skills will portray a dynamic range of characters. There will be a short interview where candidates are asked to reflect on previous performances they have been involved in; they may also bring along a portfolio which demonstrates past performance work.

Prospective Drama Scholars are encouraged to contact **Miss Jessica Monk**, Head of Drama: **01509 817063** or email **JMonk@ratcliffe.leics.sch.uk**. She will be very pleased to meet prospective candidates on an informal basis, prior to making an application.

The Deadline for Applications is the last Friday in November.

For further information

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