

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRACK



FRIDAY - 27/10/23

- 1:15 pm Sign-In (Civic Theatre Newcastle)
- 2:00 pm Directors' Welcome Reception (Playhouse)
- 2:40 pm Main Auditorium Open
- 3:00 pm *Broadway JR.* Pilot Presentation 1 (Civic Theatre)
- 4:50 pm Teacher Networking - in the style of speed dating! (Playhouse)
- 5:50 pm Dinner Break
- 6:40 pm Auditorium Opens
- 7:00 pm *Broadway JR.* Pilot Presentation 2 (Civic Theatre)
- 8:20 pm Day ends

SATURDAY - 28/10/23

- 8:30 am Theatre Opens
- 9:00 am JTF Kick-Off (Civic Theatre)
- 9:30 am Observe Adjudications & Feedback (Civic Theatre)
- 11:10 am Snack Break
- 10:50 am Observe Adjudications & Feedback Lunch Break (Concert Hall)
- 1:10 pm *Broadway JR.* Sing-Along
- 2:00 pm New Works Showcase (Civic Theatre)
- 2:55 pm PD Workshop 1
Building a Sustainable Youth Theatre Program (Playhouse)
or
Elevating Movement in Musical Theatre (Green Room)
- 3:55 pm PD Workshop 2
Streamlined Group Auditions: iTheatrics Method (Playhouse)
or
Nurturing Resilient Voices (Green Room)
- 4:45 pm Dinner - on your own
- 6:00 pm InSights/ Sing That Song (Civic Theatre)
- 7:00 pm Closing Ceremony (Civic Theatre)
- 7:40 pm Director's Reception (City Hall)
- 9:00 pm Day ends



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WORKSHOPS

Our roster of professional development teaching artists from iTheatrics (NY) have decades of experience, have adapted over 60 musicals for kids to perform and have written musical theatre "how-to" guides for Music Theatre International.

We teach our workshops just like we teach our own students, with an emphasis on experiential learning, active skill building, and an overall focus on fun.

WORKSHOP 1

Building a Sustainable Youth Theatre Program

PRESENTERS - John Prignano (MTI New York) & Josephine Lancuba (Performing Arts Business Coach)

Take your theatre company to the next level. In this workshop, you will learn the keys to creating and sustaining a thriving youth theatre program that fosters creativity, skill development, and a sense of community. This workshop covers essential aspects such as curriculum development, brand building, marketing and building partnerships within the community. Gain insights into fostering a positive and inclusive environment, nurturing young talent, and ensuring the long-term success of your youth theatre program.

OR

Elevating Movement in Musical Theatre

PRESENTER - Lauren Harvey

Take your choreography to new heights with this immersive masterclass! Discover innovative techniques and strategies for creating dynamic and expressive dance numbers that captivate audiences. From storytelling through movement to exploring different dance styles, this workshop offers valuable insights into staging, transitions, and character-driven choreography. Dive into the world of musical theatre dance and leave inspired to create stunning and impactful routines.



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ADJUDICATION & FEEDBACK OBSERVATION

Observe outstanding student groups from all over Australia perform highlights from their school or academies Broadway JR. and KIDS musicals for industry feedback. Then get tips from Broadway artists and clinicians to take back to your school as they work with large student groups to enhance their performances. Not only will you take away new tools and strategies to try with your students, but you may even discover your school or academies next musical.

WORKSHOP 2

Nurturing Resilient Voices

PRESENTERS - Ryan Macauley (MTI Europe)

Discover the secrets to vocal longevity and excellence! In this workshop, participants will delve into the fundamentals of vocal health, exploring techniques to maintain vocal strength, flexibility, and stamina. Expert instructors will guide attendees through warm-up exercises, proper vocal hygiene practices, and strategies for tackling vocal challenges specific to musical theatre. Empower yourself with invaluable knowledge to nurture resilient voices and ensure outstanding musical performances.

OR

Streamlined Auditions: Mastering the iTheatrics Method for Group Auditions

PRESENTER - Daniel J Mertzluft (iTheatrics New York) and Dr Shane Bransdon (JTF Australia)

Uncover the art of conducting streamlined auditions! This workshop introduces participants to the innovative iTheatrics Method, a time-saving approach to running auditions for large groups. Learn how to structure auditions effectively, streamline the casting process, and create an inclusive and supportive environment. From organising audition materials to utilising group exercises and insightful feedback, participants will gain the tools and confidence to efficiently discover exceptional talent while saving valuable time.

