



# The Chatsworth Arts Centre and The Duchess Theatre

West Gate, Long Eaton, Nottingham NG10 1EF

President: Her Grace the Dowager Duchess of Devonshire  
Theatrical Patron: Ben Roberts  
The Long Eaton & District Arts Council  
Registered Charity Number: 508745

[www.duchess-theatre.com](http://www.duchess-theatre.com)

## The Young Performers rules and regulations

1. The aim of the group is to promote and foster interest and performance in expressive arts (including, but not limited to: Drama, Dance & Music) in young people between the ages of 10 and 18 therefore encouraging good speech, personal development, confidence, teamwork and respect.
2. The group shall generally consist of not more than 30 acting members. There shall be a minimum of 3 leaders (all over the age of 18) at any one time.
3. Meetings shall, whenever possible, be held at the Devonshire Studio of The Chatsworth Centre, West Gate, Long Eaton on Thursday evenings between 7:00p.m. & 9:00p.m.
4. Extra rehearsals may be called at the discretion of the producer for which advanced notice shall be given.
5. Members are required to pay a weekly subscription fee of £2.00 at rehearsals and are also required to pay an annual membership fee to the Chatsworth Centre (Up to 16 years = £10:00 / 16-18 in full time education = £10:00 / 16+ not in full time education = £20:00)
6. The leaders of the group will be volunteers over 18 years of age and shall be responsible for the day to day running and operation of the group.
7. A high standard of dedication and behaviour will be expected from all members. If, at any time, the leaders consider the behaviour of any member to be unacceptable that member will be dismissed from the group and a letter of explanation will be sent to the parents. He/she will no longer be eligible for membership at any time nor will he/she be entitled to any refund of prepaid subscriptions.
8. Regular and punctual attendance is expected and required of all members. A leader must be notified, in advance of the meeting, of any non-attendance (except in cases of emergency). Anyone missing for more than three consecutive meetings without notifying one of the leaders will be considered no longer interested and their place will be given to someone on the waiting list.
9. For reasons of safety and to avoid disruption of rehearsals members will be expected to stay on the premises for the duration of the meetings.
10. No leader can or will be held personally responsible for any loss of or damage to personal items of members of the group (including money, mobile phones, jewellery etc.).
11. The leaders have the explicit right to choose the material and/or production for the groups' performances and to select casts (with or without auditions) on the basis of members' abilities. Reasonable dates will be announced by which lines should be learnt. Failure to meet these deadlines may result in loss of parts.
12. Whenever possible the leaders may arrange visits to productions by other groups / societies by both amateurs and professionals and for workshops providing instruction in theatre crafts.
13. Weekly payments are the property of the group and shall be spent, as required, on production and administration costs.

Please complete the following and return the **BLUE** copy to the Young Performers (Or if details sent by email, please print and return)

To be signed by member:-

I have read the rules and regulations of the Young Performers and I agree to abide by them: \_\_\_\_\_

To be signed by parent/carer of member:-

I have read the rules and regulations of the Young Performers and I agree to my son/daughter becoming a member and I will encourage his/her regular and punctual attendance to rehearsals:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please reply to: Victoria Garavan, 270 College Street, Long Eaton, Nottingham NG10 4GW**

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