

Commitment to Schools

Having developed many successful and highly creative projects across the Lancaster district, the Creative Learning Team are expanding this engagement further and building unique relationships within the education sector throughout the District.



As a member of the 'Commitment to Schools scheme', your school/college will be involved in building a bespoke year long relationship with The Dukes Theatre. You will gain access to the theatre's artistic programme comprising of performance, cinema and satellite screenings as well as working with the outstanding Creative Learning Department to facilitate workshops tailored to your students needs.

Commitment to Schools Scheme

PART 1

Priority booking will be given to schools engaged on this scheme including performances, workshops from visiting companies and opportunities to engage within large scale theatre / art festivals for schools. Partner schools will also have access to free tickets / VIP passes for events at The Dukes Theatre. These may include live performance and cinema, our Christmas production, and our highly acclaimed annual park show and Satellite Screenings.

"We are extremely lucky to have such an incredible and dedicated artistic force who are able to turn a city park into one of the world's greatest fantasy realms with great imagination."

Lancaster Guardian (The Hobbit 2016)



PART 2

A series of bespoke workshops which can be linked to the school's curriculum or tailored to specific project needs. Areas this engagement can include;



- Support with school productions
- GCSE/ A level exams and professional development opportunities
- Access to the Creative Learning stand alone workshops
- A tour of the Dukes Theatre
- Access to Education resources linked to performances
- VIP Invites to special events
- INSET days
- A public recognition of our commitment printed in the theatre's publicity material.

In return for a commitment from us we ask the following;

- Payment of **£1000** to the Dukes to be a member of the scheme
Payment Breakdown attached
- To advocate for the theatre and Creative Learning Department
- A commitment to the theatre to create a productive partnership



The 'Commitment to Schools' scheme is about offering a school an annual membership which benefits the young people by providing a creative, engaging and educational look at learning. Having a formalised relationship with an organisation such as The Dukes, means you're providing your students with an accessible platform that allows them to engage with cultural activities more easily. It is also a commitment to the school to provide high quality learning from an arts organisation with a proven track record of enriching lives and empowering young people through excellent arts experiences; it's our commitment to you.

"...The responses from staff were excellent and I am hopeful that this experience will impact very positively in relation to 'raising attainment levels in writing' Thank you very much!" - Lesley Brookbanks, Head-teacher (INSET)

"For one particular student, this experience has been life changing... it has also supported teaching and learning styles involving drama-speaking and listening skills – this is a whole school improvement priority.... Thanks again"

Linda Pye, Head Teacher (Ryelands Primary School)

For further details or to book a meeting with Vicky Fletcher, Learning & Outreach Manager, please telephone: **01524 598 522** or email: vfletcher@dukes-lancaster.org



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