

ENGLISH YOUTH BALLET

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PORTSMOUTH AUDITION FOR SLEEPING BEAUTY
13th MAY 2025
AT THE THEATRE KINGS THEATRE PORTSMOUTH FOR PERFORMANCES
12th 13th SEPTEMBER 2025

Dear Parents, Students,

17/10/2024

Dancing in an EYB production is a unique experience and so much gained from being part of a professional production and seeing at close quarters how our professional dancers who front our productions prepare for their performances. During the exciting and intense rehearsals, the young dancers experience technique classes with different teachers and learn new steps and choreography. As well as making new friends the cast get to perform to large audiences in some of the most beautiful theatres in the UK.

If you wish to audition for our Portsmouth production of Sleeping Beauty we ask you to complete and submit the Registration form with your child's contact details.

Once you have completed this and returned the online Registration form and paid the £20 audition fee by Bank Transfer (see Bank details below) we will send you a receipt letter confirming your place either at the Junior or Senior audition.

Audition times are on Tuesday 13th May Juniors 4.30 – 6.15pm Seniors 6.45– 8.30pm
Juniors ages 8-11yrs and Minimum Grade 1 (If your child is 12 and Grade 4 or under they may attend the Junior audition) Seniors ages 12-18years

You will hear your result at the end of each audition. If you are not offered a place on the day, your child will be on our reserve list and after 2 weeks they may be called upon if some places are not taken up. English Youth Ballet has a successful track record of twenty-six years giving promising young dancers a performance opportunity in full length classical ballets. We look forward to returning to Portsmouth

Yours sincerely,

Miss Lewis

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SLEEPING BEAUTY PERFORMANCES AT THE KINGS THEATRE PORTSMOUTH

The English Youth Ballet is now well-established for its successful productions of classical ballet in the regional theatres of the UK. EYB chooses up to 100 young dancers at the audition from within an area 80-100 mile radius of the theatre, therefore giving young ballet dancers the opportunity to experience the creative process from rehearsal to performance in our wonderful production of Sleeping Beauty for 3 performances in 2025 at the Kings Theatre on Fri 12th & Sat 13th September 2025.

AUDITION IS ON STAGE AT THE KINGS THEATRE 13/05/2025 JUNIOR AUDITION 8-11YRS SENIOR AUDITION 12- 18YRS

THE AUDITION EXPERIENCE AND REGISTRATION FEE

The Audition Registration fee is £20 and we will be looking for young dancers who love their dancing and who would benefit from the EYB Performance Project. We will be offering up to 80 to 100 places and we hold a reserve list in case anyone does not take up the place that is offered.

EYB PERFORMANCE EXPERIENCE

If successful auditionees are offered a place from their audition. The fee for the Performance Course is £560 payable to English Youth Ballet in advance in 4 instalments (£140 each) prior to the first rehearsal/casting day. This fee covers the production costs of costumes, headaddresses, scenery, and running costs of school rehearsals hire, all artistic, administrative and technical staff - fees, travel, hotels, publicity and marketing.

EYB has had to put up prices a little for 2025, due to ever increasing costs of rehearsal hire and general touring costs. We have had successful years in 2023/24 and we are pleased to be able to continue our valuable work for young dancers in 2025.

Three rehearsals take place simultaneously and are always preceded by a ballet technique class. There is a 10% reduction for 2nd and 3rd siblings. English Youth Ballet will award 2 Junior and 2 Senior Assisted Places giving £80 off the full fee thus reducing the fee to £480 (4 instalments of £120.00)

PROVISIONAL REHEARSAL DATES 2025 (To Be Confirmed with the school we hire)

Tues 8th or Wed 9th July TBC (Casting and press photos)

Wednesday 20th Thursday 21st Friday 22nd Saturday 23rd Sunday 24th August (5 Days)

Wednesday 27th Thursday 28th Friday 29th August (3 Days) Saturday 6th Sunday 7th September (2 Days)

NB We are flexible with the various weekend Associate programmes.

Thursday 11th September

6.00-10pm Technical Dress rehearsal in the Kings Theatre

Friday 12th September

Dress Rehearsal 2.30pm Evening performance 7.30pm

Saturday 13th September

Matinee Performance 2.30pm and Evening performance 7.30pm

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