A level Drama and Theatre



at Conyers Sixth Form

Drama and Theatre students develop skills that are not just essential for drama but applicable to a wide range of higher education subjects and in the workplace. This course refines students' collaborative skills, their analytical thinking and their approach to research. Students grow in confidence and maturity as they successfully realise their own ideas. They learn to evaluate objectively and develop a sound appreciation of the influences that cultural and social contexts can have on decision making. Whatever the future holds, students of A-level Drama and Theatre emerge with a toolkit of transferable skills preparing them for their next steps.

Course content

A-level Drama and Theatre offers students the opportunity to explore drama as a practical art form, in which ideas and meaning are communicated to an audience through choices of form, style and convention. Students will:

- 1. Create, perform and respond to drama and theatre
- 2. Develop the creativity and independence to become effective theatre makers
- 3. Explore the relationship between theory and practice in a range of theatrical styles and periods and historical, social and cultural contexts
- 4. Learn how relevant research, independent thought and analysis of live theatre production can inform decision making in their practical work and put this understanding into practice
- 5. Experience the ways in which theatre makers collaborate to create theatre.



Assessment

Component 1 3 hr written examination at the end of y13 **40%**

Component 2 Creating Original Drama - Devising 30%

Component 3 Making Theatre - Scripted 30%

Opportunities and experiences in Drama

- Theatre visits to see the work of leading theatre companies and practitioners in the UK
- Opportunities to perform!
- Workshops with industry professionals and theatre companies
- Links within the industry for experience and agency representation



What can you do with A level Drama?

Careers include:

- Acting/Directing/Producing
- Stage Manager/Company Manager/Theatre Manager
- Casting Director/Agent
- Teaching/Chaperone
- Writer for stage/screen
- Drama Therapist



Musical Theatre

Requirements: Places on Higher level Performing arts courses are usually offered through an audition process.



"Studying Drama and Theatre at Conyers has been a huge part of my success in securing places at some of London's top Drama schools and also helped me gain agency representation. I have really developed my performance skills, working from a text and my directing skills. I feel confident in the skill set that A level Drama and Theatre has given me and I am looking forward to taking the knowledge I have gained in to higher eduction." - Keiahna

Primary Teaching

Requirements: At York I need BBB at A level in any 3 A levels

"Studying A Level Drama and Theatre at Conyers has really helped improve my confidence when presenting myself to an audience, this will be invaluable to my future career in teaching. Drama has developed my problem solving skills aswell as my creativity, time management and ability to work well under pressure. Preparing me well for the next stage of my education." - Eve



Drama Exam Board: AQA

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