



BLUMENTHAL TEEN ACTOR'S LAB

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Engage, collaborate and train alongside other creative teens in a controlled space!

The Spirit Square campus will open exclusively for 6th - 12th-grade students this fall with independent workspaces for the virtual school day and theater-centric activities during breaks. Teens will retain the social in “social distancing” while having the opportunity to participate in professionally led intensive workshops in acting, movement and technical theater. Wi-fi access is provided.

Public health and safety guidelines will be strictly enforced to create an appropriate environment for students to gather distantly and safely.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN AT [BLUMENTHALARTS.ORG/TEENACTORSLAB](https://blumenthalarts.org/teenactorslab).



TUITION*

SEPTEMBER			
DAYS	DATES	TIME	TUITION
MONDAYS	8/31, 9/14, 9/21, 9/28	7:45-5:45	\$220.00
TUESDAYS	9/1, 9/8, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29	7:45-5:45	\$275.00
WEDNESDAYS	9/2, 9/9, 9/16, 9/23, 9/30	7:45-5:45	\$275.00
THURSDAYS	9/3, 9/10, 9/17, 9/24	7:45-5:45	\$220.00
FRIDAYS	9/4, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25	7:45-5:45	\$220.00

OCTOBER			
DAYS	DATES	TIME	TUITION
MONDAYS	10/5, 10/12, 10/19, 10/26	7:45-5:45	\$220.00
TUESDAYS	10/6, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27	7:45-5:45	\$220.00
WEDNESDAYS	10/7, 10/14, 10/21, 10/28	7:45-5:45	\$220.00
THURSDAYS	10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29	7:45-5:45	\$275.00
FRIDAYS	10/2, 10/9, 10/16, 10/23, 10/30	7:45-5:45	\$275.00

NOVEMBER			
DAYS	DATES	TIME	TUITION
MONDAYS	11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/23	7:45-5:45	\$220.00
TUESDAYS	11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 11/24	7:45-5:45	\$220.00
WEDNESDAYS	11/4, 11/18, 11/25	7:45-5:45	\$165.00
THURSDAYS	11/5, 11/12, 11/19, 10/29	7:45-5:45	\$165.00
FRIDAYS	11/6, 11/13, 11/20	7:45-5:45	\$165.00
MONDAYS	11/30, 12/7, 12/14	7:45-5:45	\$165.00

DECEMBER			
DAYS	DATES	TIME	TUITION
MONDAYS	12/1, 12/8, 12/15	7:45-5:45	\$165.00
TUESDAYS	12/2, 12/9, 12/16	7:45-5:45	\$165.00
WEDNESDAYS	12/3, 12/10, 12/17	7:45-5:45	\$165.00
THURSDAYS	12/4, 12/11, 12/18	7:45-5:45	\$165.00

**Students must be registered by day of the week for a month-long session.
Students may register for more than one day of the week.*

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- Daily temperature checks and COVID questionnaires will be required upon entering Spirit Square
- Guardians or other additional guests will not be permitted in the building for drop-off or pick-up to reduce the number of people in the facility
- Students and guardians must sign a daily safety agreement; students who do not adhere will be immediately sent home
- Clearly marked socially distant spaces will be in all workshop and study areas
- Face masks must be worn at all times except when in individually marked spots exceeding 6-feet of distancing
- Students will be required to stop at docked sanitizer stations before entering and exiting each program room
- All classroom spaces will be thoroughly cleaned for a 30-minute period between use
- Shared materials will be sanitized before and after use
- Class sizes are limited to 10 per room



LEADERSHIP AND CONTACT INFORMATION



ANDREA MALONEY
Vice President of Education

Andrea “Andie” Maloney joined Blumenthal Performing Arts as vice president of education in February of 2020. She most recently served as senior arts director for the Morrison YMCA/Ballantyne Arts Center’s theater, dance, cooking and visual arts programs and arts-integrated preschool. After earning a degree in theater education at UNC Charlotte, Maloney worked at Children’s Theatre of Charlotte in multiple roles, including teaching artist and education program coordinator, for over a decade. She recently received the 2019 YMCA Diversity, Inclusion and Global award for her commitment to access and inclusion.



TOMMY PRUDENTI
Special Programs Manager

Tommy Prudenti joined Blumenthal in February 2019 as the special programs manager for the Education Department. In this role, he manages the educational programs that are part of the Blumenthal canon - in-school masterclasses, school matinee performances, Jr. Theater Celebration and more. Prudenti was the education programs coordinator at Children’s Theatre of Charlotte for five years before joining Blumenthal. Before that, he worked in New York as a booking agent for kids interested in theater, film and commercial work.

Questions? Email educationdept@blumenthalarts.org



How do I register?

Registration is available online at BlumenthalArts.org/teenactorslab. If you are unable to register online, please call 704-372-1000

What grades are served?

The Blumenthal Teen Actor's Lab is for current 6th-12th-grade students only.

What should my teen bring each day?

Please ensure your teen brings all supplies and technology necessary for assigned schoolwork. Please bring earbuds with a microphone for online classes as there will be other students nearby who are also in digital classrooms. Pack a bagged lunch with necessary utensils, snacks and a refillable water bottle. Microwaves, refrigerators and vending machines are not available.

What should my teen wear? Are masks required?

Wearing a mask is mandatory to attend. When masks are off, students will not be permitted from their designated spot. We will create more than one space for individual students so that they are not stuck in one environment.

Participants should wear clothes appropriate for movement including jazz shoes or closed-toe shoes with non-slick bottoms. For safety when using tools as well as for technique in acting and movement, students should tie or pin hair back and avoid loose fitted clothing. We strongly encourage students to wear layers to adjust for their own comfort during the day.

What happens if my teen has a high temperature?

Teens with a fever will be asked to leave. If the teen had been dropped off, we will keep the teen (with their mask on) in the lobby section to the right of the doors, isolated, until they can be picked up.

How often are spaces cleaned? Restrooms?

All classroom spaces will be thoroughly cleaned for a 30-minute period between uses. Shared materials will be sanitized before and after use. The restrooms are cleaned and fully sanitized twice daily. Building Services checks the restrooms often throughout the day. During the inspections, they clean as necessary and wipe down all common touchpoints with an antimicrobial disinfectant.

What will the schedule look like?

Due to each school's unique virtual learning schedule, each student's day will look a little different. Staff will email families prior to the session start to collect each teen's school schedule. During the school day, students will have their own individual workspace as well as a socially distant space available to move to during breaks to socialize, eat and participate in theater activities. Two different hour-long workshop sessions will occur in the afternoons starting at 3:00 and 4:30; teens will have the option to attend one or two workshops per day depending on the school end time.

What are the master classes like? Are the same master classes offered each day?

Movement classes could include laban, yoga, group exercise or dance combinations for the actor and basic dance technique with modifications for more advanced students. Acting could include monologues, distanced scene work, dialects, characterization, improv, and mask work. Technical theater could include light, set, audio and projection design, light and sound board and equipment basics, rigging basics, 'tech olympics' and Foley techniques.



What if my teen has specific needs and/or needs accommodations?

Please email educationdept@blumenthalarts.org the week prior to the program start date to discuss your teen's needs. We know every person is unique and we can better serve all students when we are able to collaborate with the family and student in advance.

How do I get a receipt for FSA reimbursement?

You will receive an email receipt immediately following completion of your online registration. The Blumenthal Performing Arts Tax ID is 58-1791724.

Is parking available for student drivers?

Parking is available at the Spirit Square parking lot, accessible on College Street, at the rate of \$8-\$10/day. Credit card payment is required at the gate to enter the lot. A variety of other parking lots and garages are within walking distance from the facility. Additionally, the 7th Street Market garage is one block away.

Is there tutoring?

Tutoring is not provided; students must be responsible for their own learning schedules and completion of school requirements. Staff will support student learning by creating a focused environment and assisting with questions and needs to the best of their abilities as non- 'subject matter experts'.

Who are the staff?

Staff will consist of an adult team of teaching assistants and professional teaching artists.

What is the drop-off procedure and time?

Participants may arrive at any time during the program hours. Students should be dropped off at Spirit Square, which is located at the corner of College and 7th Street, to check in at the security desk. Please call or text the program cell phone number, which will be provide to families in an email the Thursday prior to the program start date, to inform staff of your arrival. Parents may walk their student to the security desk if desired but are asked not to go beyond the check in point to minimize exposure. Masks are required to enter the building.

What is the pick-up procedure and time?

Participants may be picked up any time during the program hours. Please call or text the program cell phone number, which will be provide to families in an email the Thursday prior to the program start date, to inform staff to release your student for pickup. Once released from the program, students will no longer be supervised and will be responsible for meeting their ride. Parents may come to the security desk to meet their student if desired but are asked not to go beyond the check in point to minimize exposure. Masks are required to enter the building.

What is your medication policy?

Please email educationdept@blumenthalarts.org prior to the program start date to provide writing approval and directions for any required medications. Students must be able to self-administer medication.

What is the refund policy?

The refund deadline is two weeks prior to the start date of each monthly session. Refund requests must be made in writing via email to educationdept@blumenthalarts.org at least two weeks prior to the start date of the monthly session to receive a full refund. There are no refunds provided after the deadline. Registration can be moved to another session if space is available.



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