

# Drama Scholarship

Performing Arts are an acknowledged strength of John Lyon School. The School has invested significantly in both staff and facilities. Our performances are of an exceptional standard. There are opportunities for pupils in all years to perform publicly or in front of their peers. Repertoire is carefully selected and a large amount of productions are held in the course of a year from a wide variety of genres and theatrical styles.

John Lyon School has an extensive and hard-earned reputation for excellence in Drama, both as an after school or lunch-time activity and as a curriculum subject. There are excellent Drama facilities including two fully equipped Drama studios with digital lighting and sound facilities. In each academic year there is a full scale musical production, a performance as part of the National Theatre Connections Scheme and a performance as part of the Shakespeare in Schools Festival. There are also further opportunities to perform in the Year 7 Drama Festival and of course in the final GCSE and A-Level performance examinations. Our state of the art theatre technology allows students with a keen interest in the technical aspects of theatre to learn valuable skills and to excel in this area if they choose to do so.

Drama Scholars often have vastly different experiences and backgrounds. Some will have been very successful in graded examinations; others will have had more informal experiences. To assist you in making your decision it might be useful to consider the following:

A Drama Scholar will:

- Have a passion and commitment for drama and theatre.
- Show great enthusiasm for becoming more actively involved in the subject.
- Have taken lead roles in school productions if the opportunities have been available.
- Have been awarded high marks in any formal drama exams, if these have been taken.
- Show outstanding commitment, enthusiasm and ability if drama clubs and societies have been attended.
- Show a genuine interest and enthusiasm for live theatre if taken on visits.

A Drama Scholar at John Lyon School will be expected to:

- Perform at the highest level in curriculum drama.
- Opt to take GCSE Drama & A-Level Drama & Theatre Studies.
- Take part in at least one extra-curricular drama activity per term.
- Help promote drama in Open Days and other key events.
- Attend a termly meeting to review progress.

# Drama Scholarship Application Form

To apply for a Scholarship please complete the details on this ‘Scholarship Application Form’. The completed form, **\*student’s statement**, a reference from the candidate’s current Head of Drama/Drama Coordinator at school, including copies of the most recent practical examination certificates are to be attached to this form. To be returned to the Admissions Department with supporting documents by 31 October in the year prior to entry [admissions@johnlyon.org](mailto:admissions@johnlyon.org)

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|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----|
| Candidate's Name                                  |                   |     |
| Date of Birth                                     |                   |     |
| Current School                                    |                   |     |
| Year of Entry                                     | September 202____ |     |
| Entry                                             | 11+               | 13+ |
| Name of Head of Drama/Drama Coordinator at school |                   |     |
| Name of Drama Group/School                        |                   |     |
| Reference/s Attached                              | YES/NO            |     |

Please supply the following information with this application form:

1. Relevant school experience
2. Details of any clubs/societies attended
3. Details of any formal qualification, awarding body, grades

*\*Each Scholarship Award Application should be accompanied by a 'Student's Statement' and completed in the candidates own handwriting. Please answer the following question (50 words maximum) and include it with your form.*

*'Why do you want to be a Drama Scholar at John Lyon School?'*

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