

ITALIA CONTI
ARTS CENTRE



**TEEN FOUNDATION
PART-TIME COURSE**





Italia Conti Arts Centre in Guildford, Surrey – a centre of excellence dedicated to the Performing Arts, Musical Theatre & Teacher Training. Situated a stones throw from the historic Clandon Park in Merrow, Guildford Surrey.

Founded in 1911, the Academy is Britain's oldest theatre arts training school. The Arts Centre in Guildford is the latest campus to our growing College.

The Centre selects talented students for their individuality and the training process is designed to nurture confidence, self-esteem, acknowledgement of personal strengths and the true fulfilment of technical and artistic potential in order that they can confidently demonstrate and respond to the needs of an ever changing and demanding profession.

The aim of Italia Conti has always been to provide a thorough education and training. Learners are nurtured by a staff of enthusiastic, professional experts using the latest teaching methods, making each course subject practical, informative and interesting while retaining traditional values. We can look back with pride secure in the knowledge that our students enter the profession with the necessary skills, having also been encouraged to develop their social talents and to evolve a set of standards essential for personal and professional fulfilment.

Italia Conti students receive the unique benefits of training based on nearly 100 years of knowledge and experience geared to the needs of the present day.



TEEN FOUNDATION COURSE

The Italia Conti Teen Foundation Course is one of the oldest and most established foundation courses in this country, successfully preparing students to go onto our Advanced Professional Course and then, our full-time courses.

This Part-time course is comprised of energetic faculty who are specifically dedicated to older students. The Teen Foundation curriculum is designed to provide the most rigorous introductory courses necessary for an education in performing arts.

This course has been designed to introduce students between the ages of 13-17 years to the skills required to pursue a successful career in the Performing Arts.

- The actor acquires physical agility through dance, as well as vocal versatility through singing and speech
- The singer learns movement and acting skills to expand their range of roles and their ability to command the stage
- The dancer develops acting and vocal skills to add versatility and longevity to their career Italia Conti Arts Centre offers you Developmental Program.

These includes the following: A unique course that also includes Teacher training in ISTD- FDI & CDE.

FACILITIES

Facilities in the main centre include 5 air conditioned & mirrored studios a Recording & Video Suite, Common Room with internet access, Shop, Canteen area, Administration offices, 3 Accommodation flats, and Changing rooms.

We also use several other buildings including LA Fitness (A short walk from our centre) whose facilities include: Fully equipped air conditioned Gym, Parking, Sauna, Spa, Steam, Swimming Pool, Squash Courts and mirrored dance studios.

Plus: Beauty & Alternative Treatments, Café Bar. Merrow Methodist Complex: 3 studios' and canteen area. Merrow Village Hall, large rehearsal studio. Merrow Scout Complex: Large rehearsal room

The Arts Centre's theatre workshop space and audio and video facilities are an invaluable asset to its students and allow them to participate in a wide range of productions throughout their courses. Public performances regularly take place and give students the opportunity to 'showcase' a full range of performing



arts skills from musical theatre and straight plays to cabaret, concert, dance and musical events and drama evenings. Inhouse, devised and lunchtime performances are also encouraged. The majority of our students are extremely musical and many play instruments to a high standard and will often provide the musical accompaniment for various entertainments. All performances are rehearsed and presented in a professional manner and final year productions are usually directed by professional theatre or television directors. Several times a year the Academy arranges for its students to perform at 'outside' professional venues – usually top London Theatres. Potential employers are invited to attend many of these performances.

Designed to enable actors, dancers and singers to develop their creative abilities as a performer, and increase their critical knowledge and understanding in their production skills. All students follow a core of classes introducing some of the fundamentals of life in the modern Performing Arts Industry. There is a great emphasis on the student's own creative work as they progress through the programme. Students should leave with confidence that they have the knowledge and ability to take their place at any performing arts college in this country's lively, varied and challenging creative and performing arts industry.

The approach of the Part time Teen Foundation in Performing Arts course is one of 'theatre-as-playing' in an ensemble or company context. Throughout the duration of the course, you will engage in all aspects of production, from rehearsal techniques to performance. As a Teen Foundation course student you will have the practical know-how and knowledge necessary to be

able to begin 'to re-invent form' in the theatre.

In Acting we will introduce you to the 'art of playing' as an overarching framework for gaining and practicing performance skills and for understanding performance. You will compose and perform short pieces, and you will gain experience of practical theatre-craft.

You will concentrate on musical production and performance. This will develop your understanding of performance through practical engagement, and help you produce more challenging and innovative work.

EXPERIENCE TEAM OF QUALIFIED STAFF

The Arts Centre is committed to providing an environment in which its learners can be trained and educated to develop and broaden their skills to their individual highest possible standards. Our staff are highly qualified and students work with many professional choreographers and directors.

Every week a guest tutor is introduced bringing students a chance to work at today's professional pace.

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The course is held in term time on a Saturday (9.00-6.00pm) and Thursday (5.00-8.30pm). Students benefit from a full performer's training in all three disciplines (singing, dancing & acting), and are expected to achieve a standard equivalent to the requirements to progress to our Professional Part-time Course or our Full-Time Course. Technique and style, along with individual personality, is cultivated.

A week's summer course is advised to help fill in those long summer months and keep students supple and up to standard. (Dates to be advised)

There is no audition required for this course.

Saturday Timetable

(this timetable may change each term)

9.00 Modern ISTD

10.00 Ballet ISTD

11.00 Hip Hop

12.00 Acting /Boys Hip Hop

1.0 LUNCH

2.00 Musical Theatre

3.00 Tap ISTD

4.00 LAMDA Acting

5.00 Singing

Thursday Timetable

5.00 Acting

5.50 Ballet ISTD

6.40 Jazz

7.30 Singing

