

LAMDA



London Academy of Music & Dramatic Art

ABOUT LAMDA.

The creation of your word being taken seriously and communicating effectively is a powerful way of being that is beneficial in every aspect of your life. Elocution/LAMDA classes give you the tools that will help develop strong communication skills.

The London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art (LAMDA) is the oldest drama school in the UK. It has provided the world of theatre, film and television with many first-class actors and stage managers.

LAMDA began offering speech exams to the public in the 1880s and are the largest drama examining board in the UK. They have developed a comprehensive system of performance evaluation, adjudicated by experts in education and acting. The Exams will benefit students who are keen on honing their acting skills; those who want to gain public speaking confidence, and interview technique. They are a very instructive complement to literary studies and cover all aspects of voice production as well as interpretation and analysis.

The LAMDA team at Newstead Wood School offers the opportunity for all years to take part in an after-school Elocution Club or lunchtime classes with an opportunity to take LAMDA speech and drama exams, as well as New Era Academy exams.

In today's competitive world, how you present and express yourself is a vitally important skill to possess, not just in school, but also later in life. Those who learn vocal and presentation skills early in their lives have a great advantage. Competing for university places and the workplace has become increasingly difficult. Studying elocution, voice production and taking LAMDA exams do not involve writing but teach vitally important life skills such as public speaking, presentation technique, voice projection and clear diction. These skills are taught in a fun and exciting curriculum and through the creative disciplines of, for example,

PUBLIC SPEAKING. INTERVIEW TECHNIQUES. VERSE AND PROSE SPEAKING. READING FOR PERFORMANCE. ACTING. MUSICAL THEATRE. MIME. DEVISED DRAMA.

Learners can obtain UCAS Tariff points at level 3, enhancing their chances of University or Higher Education entrance. Level 3 is set for Year 11 and up, however, the UCAS level grades may be possible at an earlier age dependent on the ability of the pupil. LAMDA lessons and exam preparation time can also be used for the skills section for the Duke of Edinburgh award.

These life skills are invaluable and build tremendous confidence, regardless of which career path a young person takes. The team have had great success with high levels of Merits and Distinctions. We hope this will be of interest to many of the students and that they will welcome the opportunity to improve these vital communication skills.

Classes take place after school Monday to Thursday from 3.40pm till 5/5.30pm and day classes are from 3.10pm till 3.40pm.

The last LAMDA exam session took place in the summer of 2022. There was an interesting mixture of various exam genres taken. Students were entered for Public Speaking, Verse and Prose Speaking, Acting, Reading for Performance and Musical Theatre. The standard was high with 125 Distinctions and 90 High Merits. The highest mark being 91. Over 60 students were awarded UCAS points for their level 3 medal grades.

LAMDA Co-Ordinator Kate Crane

Kate attended The Italia Conti Academy and has been a professional actress and performer and spent 18 years at Eltham College developing an exciting and inspirational curriculum, teaching hundreds of pupils to be confident and speak powerfully in front of others. Kate has also had a good success rate with work on tongue placement within the curriculum for difficulty with pronunciation of certain words. Should there be a need for extra assistance there are tools available that are of benefit to help any tongue placement difficulties. Kates curriculum creates a supportive environment in which young people can learn to express themselves fully and with clarity. It enables the speaker to explore their dramatic creativity and have a lot of fun, but at the same time learn vital life skills.

LAMDA Co-Ordinator Rachel Eben

Rachel attended Rose Bruford and is a professional actor and vocalist with a special interest in comedy, character acting and acting through song. Rachel and has a wealth of experience in helping young people with voice production and tongue placements as well as achieving great results with LAMDA exams for her pupils.

To enrol please see the enrolment form below.



Newstead Wood School LAMDA class Options
(Schedule from September 2023)

LAMDA after school group Standard Classes

3.40pm-5.00pm Standard Class.

Price: £168 per 12-week term.

The standard class covers acting and if required, public speaking.

One LAMDA exam a year is recommended. Public Speaking is not compulsory in the standard class.

LAMDA after school group Extended Classes

3.40pm-5.30pm Extended after school classes.

Price: £240 per 12-week term.

Students In the extended class can choose one extra genre from the list below.

Musical Theatre

Mime

Devised Drama

Verse and Prose Speaking

Reading for Performance

LAMDA Day Classes

Shared class for up to 4 students.

3.10pm-3.40pm - Day -TBC

The 3.10pm class runs for 10 weeks a term.

Price: £250 per 10-week term.

Genres Covered: Any genre.

LAMDA Zoom classes after school.

Zoom classes run after school Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays.

Shared class for up to 4 students.

They are half an hour long and are £168 per 12-week term.



Enrolment form

Please use the voice centre link below to enrol
www.voicecentre.com/newstead-wood-registration

Alternatively, please fill in the form below and send your enrolment via email to:
katecrane1@mac.com

School Name:

Student Name:

Student Date-of Birth:

School Year in September
2023.....

Primary Contact

Name:

E-mail

Address:

Mobile Tel No.:

Secondary Contact

Name:

E-mail Address:

Mobile Tel No.:

Please indicate the LAMDA Classes required below.
(Schedule from September 2023)

Standard Classes 3.40pm-5.00pm -Term dates TBC	
Year 7 After School- Thursdays-Standard class	
Year 8 After School -Tuesdays- Standard class	
Year 9 After School -Wednesdays- Standard class	
Year 10.11.12 after School- Mondays-Standard class	

LAMDA Extended Classes 3.40pm-5.30pm -Term dates TBC	
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Year 7 After School- Thursdays-Extended class	
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Year 8 After School- Tuesdays- Extended class	
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Year 9 After School- Wednesdays- Extended class	
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Year 10.11.12 after School- Mondays- Extended class	
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LAMDA Day Classes -Term dates TBC	
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Shared class for up to 4 students. 3.10-3.40 pm-Day TBC.	
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LAMDA Zoom Classes -Term dates TBC	
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Zoom classes after school. Shared class for up to 4 students	
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LAMDA Conditions

Please read and sign the conditions below.



1. The possibility of learning lines or studying theory answers at the last minute is not an option. LAMDA teachers need students to be off script quickly, so they can help their pupils reach their full potential and be confident taking their exams. Understanding the theory will also benefit rehearsals.
2. Once enrolled, LAMDA teachers are responsible for students in class and will need to know if your child is absent. To inform us if your child is absent, you will need to text Kate Crane on 07504450038
3. The LAMDA exam sessions are held in the summer term and a separate fee is payable for the exams.
4. Class fees are payable at the start of each term
5. Once enrolled a terms notice is required to cease lessons. Including the start of the new school year.

I understand the conditions above:

Signed.....

For any further queries please email katecrane1@mac.com or call Kate on 07504450038