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## **Asolo Rep Announces New Fall Online Classes:**

### **Young Artist Academy.** **Young Artist Homeschool Classes** **Adult Online Theatre Classes**

(SARASOTA, FL) – Asolo Rep is pleased to announce new online theatre classes this fall offering a broad spectrum of theatre education opportunities for ages 11 through adult. The programs include the launch of Asolo Rep Young Artist Academy, Young Artist Homeschool Classes, Adult Online Theatre Classes. Beginning in September and running through the fall, the classes will be conducted on Zoom in small, interactive groups led by Asolo Rep Education & Engagement teaching artists. Registration opens August 10; class sizes are limited.

### **Asolo Rep Young Artist Academy Online**

Provides online performance training opportunities for 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade theatre makers. These classes aim to bring young artists to the next level while giving them an opportunity to create and perform together. Held in three sessions from September through December, curriculum for November and December sessions will be announced on Asolo Rep's website at a later date.

#### **Session 1: Diving into Dialogue (A Scene Study Intensive)**

**Grades 8-12**  
**September 3 – October 8 (6 sessions)**  
**Thursdays, 4pm – 6pm**  
**\$150/student**

Students are invited to transform their theatre dreams into performance skills. In this weekly scene study class, students work with Asolo Rep artists, using body, mind, and voice to create characters, environments, and connections one scene at a time. From movement and voice work to script and scene analysis, this intensive gives young performers the space to explore and grow their acting choices and their confidence.

#### **Session 2: November 3-19**

#### **Session 3: December 1-18**

### **Young Artist Homeschool Classes**

Online theatre classes tailored for homeschooled students, designed for ages 11-18. These classes connect core subjects to theatre while creating an environment where everyone from the beginner to the young professional can explore and enjoy theatre. Classes will be taught by Asolo Rep artist and staff member, Tiana Turner, MFA, and homeschool specialist. Held in two sessions from September through December, curriculum for the November/December session will be announced on Asolo Rep's website at a later date.

### **Session 1: Dramatic Writing**

**Ages 11-18**

**September 9 – October 14 (6 sessions)**

**Wednesdays, 10am – 11:30am**

**\$125/student**

Each week students activate creative writing concepts such as story structure, poetry, theme, dialogue, and more through theatre. During this online class, students will collaboratively explore the creative writing process and techniques through theatre skills and games.

Weekly homework will be designed to expand on the ensemble learning and will culminate in individual creative writing portfolios.

### **Session 2: November 4 – December 18**

## **Adult Online Theatre Classes**

Provides online classes designed for adults looking to broaden their theatrical knowledge and connect with others through art and conversation.

### **Script Study**

**September 14 – November 16**

**Mondays, 3pm – 4:30pm**

**Full Program: \$165**

**September only: \$55**

**October only: \$70**

**November only: \$55**

Each week, participants will read thought-provoking pieces of dramatic literature and come together for interactive discussions. Led by Asolo Rep Artists, participants will connect with fellow theatre-lovers far and wide from the comfort of their own homes.

“Our goal at Asolo Rep is to create new and exciting experiences that bring more art into your life,” says Muriel O’Neil Education & Engagement Director Sara Brunow. “The skills we use in theatre translate to making our everyday lives extraordinary—both online and off. Join us and create something new, connect with interesting people, find inspiration in your day. Let’s make theatre together.”

Details about all classes, including registration information, are available now at [asolarep.org](http://asolarep.org). For questions, contact the Asolo Rep Education & Engagement Department: [education@asolo.org](mailto:education@asolo.org).

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## **ABOUT ASOLO REP**

Now looking forward to its 62nd season, Asolo Repertory Theatre is recognized as one of the premier professional theatres in America and one of the largest in the Southeastern United States. One of the few select theatres in the nation that performs in true rotating repertory, Asolo Rep's highly skilled acting

company and extensive craftsmanship bring to life this unique performance method that gives audiences the opportunity to see multiple productions in the span of a few days. Asolo Rep presents up to 10 productions each season including contemporary and classic works and provocative musical theatre experiences. A theatre district in and of itself, Asolo Rep is committed to expanding its reach into the community, furthering its collaboration with the best theatre artists working in the industry today and cultivating new artists through its affiliation with the [FSU/Asolo Conservatory for Actor Training](#). Under the leadership of Producing Artistic Director Michael Donald Edwards and Managing Director Linda DiGabriele, Asolo Rep's ambitious theatrical offerings and groundbreaking education and community programming engage audiences and ensure its lasting legacy for future generations.

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