



# INFORMATION PACK

**KD** THEATRE PRODUCTIONS

## COME AND TAKE PART!

Thank you for your interest in our Summer Musical 'OUR HOUSE' at The Maltings, Ely. KD Theatre Productions have established themselves across East Anglia providing fantastic performing arts opportunities for young people. This current year has seen over 250 young people involved in musical productions and after last year's success of 'SISTER ACT' the musical, KD Theatre returns in 2020 with their production of 'OUR HOUSE'

In this pack you will find information on KD, the production itself, the costs involved and a sample rehearsal schedule.

## WHAT IS THE SHOW ABOUT?

This year we are offering a 'Get to know the show taster workshop' on **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2020**. This will allow anyone who is thinking about auditioning to come along to get to know the show, meet the team and also meet lots of new friends too. Our House is a musical based on the smash hit songs by 'Madness' that follows the two possible paths of a young 16-year-old boy who needs to make a decision on the night of his 16th birthday. The show is all about love, making the right choices, friendship and laughter. Please note KD Theatre will be doing a slightly adapted youth version of the script so the material is suitable for a young cast.

## WILL MY CHILD HAVE TO AUDITION?

All children that attend our open workshop day will be able to be involved in the production of 'Our House'. There are a limited number of spaces available for the open workshop, so we encourage everyone to book their places now to avoid disappointment.

However, your child must attend the open audition workshops on

**SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY 2020 and SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2020**

The workshop on the 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb will be as follows:

**Ages 6 - 11: 10am – 11:30am Ages 12- 18: 12pm – 2pm.**

The workshop on the 1st March will be as follows:

**Ages 12- 18:** 10am- 2pm.

These workshops will introduce the young people to the show and will enable the team to allocate parts to everyone.

## HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

KD invest heavily into their productions to allow them to be of the highest quality and to create a professional experience for young people. However, we do need to charge a production fee of £115 *this is inclusive of VAT* (KD Academy Students £95)

Please see below a general outline of what your production fee contributes to the overall costs of the show:

'OUR HOUSE production t-shirt which they will wear to rehearsals and can then keep – Professional show director, musical director and choreographer - Professional tuition required for the show - Insurance for all members (personal possessions not insured) - Costumes - Weekly Rehearsal Venue Costs - Theatre Rental - Script / Lyrics copying / hire - Set & props - Sound & Lighting Hire - Professional technical crew and designers to run the show in the theatre - Licensing Fees for the Production

Worked out on an hourly basis the hourly rate of the young people being with us is under **£3.00 per hour** for the entire production rehearsals and schedule.

## WHEN ARE REHEARSALS?

Being involved in a show is all about being part of a team and it is vital that your child attends as many rehearsals as possible. However, your child may still take part even if they cannot attend every rehearsal, but we do need to know in advance of any planned absence so that we can plan accordingly. As part of the application form there is space for you to let us know of any dates they cannot attend.

## BURWELL HOUSE WEEKEND

We will be holding a residential rehearsal weekend on the 12<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> June 2020. All cast members **MUST** be able to attend this weekend.

*If you are lucky enough to be given a principal role it will be compulsory for you to attend this residential weekend.*

This weekend will be held at **BURWELL HOUSE, SILVER STREET, CB25 0EF.**

Confirmation will be given after casting if you are required to stay at Burwell House.

There will be an additional charge for those that will attend this weekend which will include all accommodation, food and supervision for the entire weekend.

(Estimated cost - £75.00)

## PROVISIONAL REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

REHEARSAL VENUE – The Ross Peers Sports Centre, Soham.

Rehearsal Dates
15 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2020
29 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
26 <sup>th</sup> April 2020
3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2020
10 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
17 <sup>th</sup> May 2020
24 <sup>th</sup> May 2020 (Half term week)
31 <sup>st</sup> May 2020 (Half term week)
7 <sup>th</sup> June 2020
12 <sup>th</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup> June 2020 (Burwell House)
21 <sup>st</sup> June 2020
28 <sup>th</sup> June 2020 (Dress Rehearsal)

## PERFORMANCE WEEK – The Maltings, Ely

DATE	SHOW/ REHEARSAL
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2020	Technical / Dress Rehearsal
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2020	Technical / Dress Rehearsal
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2020	Show day 1
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2020	Show day 2

## FEE PAYMENT SCHEDULE

This year we are introducing 2 payment schedule options to make it work for as many families as possible. Please choose from one of the options below and ensure that you mark on the application form below which payment option you would like to use.

**ALL APPLICATIONS – All applicant will need to make a £20.00 deposit**

DATE	PAYMENT
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2020	£20.00 non refundable deposit to be paid by all applicants.

### PAYMENT OPTION 1 – Monthly Payment

DATE	PAYMENT
1 <sup>st</sup> of every month (March through to July 2019)  <b>5 monthly payments</b>	KD Academy Student – £15.00 per month  (£14.00 per month if 2 or more siblings are taking part in the show)  Non KD Academy Student - £19.00 per month  (£18.00 per month if 2 or more siblings are taking part in the show)

### PAYMENT OPTION 2 – One remainder balance payment

DATE	PAYMENT
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2019  One payment on this date	KD Academy Student – £75.00  (£70.00 if 2 or more siblings are taking part in the show)  Non KD Academy Student - £95.00  (£90.00 if 2 or more siblings are taking part in the show)

Please make payments by BAC to the **KD Theatre Productions LTD Account**  
Sort code: 20-60-38 Account no. 33963926 Ref: Our House (child's name)

**Please note that this account is different from KD Academy**

Please email a confirmation of all payments to [katherine@kdtheatre.co.uk](mailto:katherine@kdtheatre.co.uk)

## ABOUT KD THEATRE PRODUCTIONS

**KD Theatre Productions** was formed in 2003 by founders Daniel Bell and Katherine Hickmott, at the time only 13 years old. Now 14 Years on Katherine and Daniel have finished their professional training in Musical Theatre and are producing numerous shows across the UK. Operating from their home base in Cambridgeshire, KD always has a busy calendar; staging various productions throughout the year, from Full Scale Musicals to Family Shows– always performing to a packed house. Their work has taken them right across the country including the world-famous Edinburgh Fringe Festival where they produced 3 sell out musical productions. As well as producing professional productions up and down the country, KD Theatre Productions have worked with numerous young people all across the UK in their youth productions allowing young people to take part in a production with a professional team and in a professional venue.

**KD Academy** was established in 2013 and has since grown into one of the leading performing arts schools for children in the area. Offering quality and affordable training for young people, KD has a passion for nurturing young talent and helping develop their skills in all arts disciplines.

Our Academies (Soham & Ely) run every Saturday during Term Time offering a balanced timetable in all three disciplines: acting, singing and dance.

## OUR TEAM

Our passionate and professional staff are headed up by Founders, Katherine Hickmott & Daniel Bell. Katherine & Daniel are both professionally trained in performing arts and share the same passion for quality training for young people. Drawing on their own experiences of teaching, Katherine & Daniel are both very hands on and can often be seen teaching or directing their pupils from week to week. Alongside running KD Academy they also are the Managing Directors of KD Theatre Productions Ltd, their professional theatre company which produces productions across the UK.

Our creative team has had a wealth of experience in the performing arts industry or with working with children. All our team members who work directly with the

children are DBS checked and the children are also supervised by chaperones at the rehearsals and shows.

## CONTACT US

If you have any questions or want to speak to one of the team, please do not hesitate to contact us on the details below:

General Enquiries

[info@kdacademy.co.uk](mailto:info@kdacademy.co.uk) | [www.kdacademy.co.uk](http://www.kdacademy.co.uk) | 01353725 026

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## APPLICATION FORM

Production Dates: 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Get to know the show day: Sun 19<sup>th</sup> Jan 2020

Open audition Workshops: Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb & Sun 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020

Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb - Ages 6 - 11: 10am – 11:30am Ages 12- 18: 12pm – 2pm.

*To be completed by the parents/carers of the child (under 16yrs old) or by the applicant (16 -18yrs old – The Young Person)*

REFERENCE (KD USE)			
Full name of young Person:			
Age		Date of Birth	
Emergency Contact Number 1:			
Emergency Contact Number 2:			
Home Address:			
County		Post Code	
Email address (please write in block capitals:			
Tshirt Size:	5-6 7-8 9-11 12- 13 14-15 Adult Small Adult Medium Adult Large XL		
Payment Method- Please circle	Deposit and 5 x Monthly Payments		Deposit and 1 off payment.

Applicants may still take part even if they cannot attend every rehearsal, but we do need to know in advance of any planned absence so that we can plan our rehearsals. We will advise you if we feel that your child/the young person is not sufficiently available for this production. Please indicate below (with a cross x) if your child / the young person is **not available** to attend any of the following rehearsal or performance dates:

Date Times tbc	Not Available	
	Morning	Afternoon
23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2020		
1 <sup>st</sup> March 2020		
15 <sup>th</sup> March 2020		
22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2020		
29 <sup>th</sup> March 2020		
26 <sup>th</sup> April 2020		
3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2020		
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17 <sup>th</sup> May 2020		
24 <sup>th</sup> May 2020		
31 <sup>st</sup> May 2020		
7 <sup>th</sup> June 2020		
12- 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2020	Compulsory	
21 <sup>st</sup> June 2020		
28 <sup>th</sup> June 2020 (Dress Rehearsal)		
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> and Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2020 Technical and Dress Rehearsals	Compulsory	
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> and Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2020		

## PARENTAL/CARER CONSENT (for children under 16 years old)

I hereby give permission for the child named above to participate in the 'OUR HOUSE audition Workshop & in the Our House production.

I understand that the decisions made by **KD Theatre Productions** are final. My child will attend all rehearsals and performances he/she is called for.

I also give permission for publicity photographs and videos of my child to be taken during rehearsals and performances.

SIGNED by Parent/Carer	
DATE	

## WHAT TO DO NEXT

1. Please return your **OUR HOUSE** application form by Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2020 by one of the following options:

- By email to [info@kdacademy.co.uk](mailto:info@kdacademy.co.uk)

- By post to KD Theatre Productions, Siesta 1, Northfield Park, Soham, Cambs, CB7 5UZ

2. Please arrange payment of the non-refundable deposit by bank transfer to the KD Academy account:

SORT CODE	20 – 60- 38
ACCOUNT NUMBER	33963926
REFERENCE	OURHOUSE (childs name)

Please email a confirmation of all payments to [katherine@kdtheatre.co.uk](mailto:katherine@kdtheatre.co.uk)

We do look forward to meeting your child at the open workshops.

Jessica, Katherine & Daniel

KD Theatre Productions and KD Academy