

# The Young Shakespeare Players (YSP)

YSP: 1806 West Lawn Avenue, Madison, WI 53711; www.youngshakespeareplayers.org or www.ysp.org



## Application and Registration Form

Actor's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

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is applying for admission to the following YSP project or production:

\_\_\_\_\_ Scheduled to begin (month, year) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Parents/Guardians \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (w) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of application \_\_\_\_\_ Actor's Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's E-mail address that is checked regularly \_\_\_\_\_

Actor's E-mail address that is checked regularly \_\_\_\_\_

Last YSP Production \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt size (adult) \_\_\_\_\_

I (we) acknowledge that: 1) YSP is a private, not-for-profit membership association; 2) this is an application for membership in YSP, and that participation, casting and rehearsing and performing in the program are entirely at the discretion of YSP senior Directors and/or Artistic Directors at all times; 3) both actor and parent(s)/guardian(s) agree to all provisions of the separate YSP Rules and Standards Sheet (which is an integral part of this Application); 4) this application is not complete until this sheet and the associated Rules and Standards Sheet are signed, and tuition payments and deposits are made, as specified on the back of this form.

### YSP Tuition Fees (temporarily reduced 12%)

#### **\*\*NOTE ON TUITION FEES AND DONATIONS**

YSP is a not-for-profit, tax-exempt membership organization. Our tuition fees cover only a modest portion of our costs. YSP is committed to the principle that, if possible, no one be excluded from participation because of the costs of tuition. Anyone who needs a reduced tuition can select any rate above one-half the basic tuition fee. (Please pay as much within this range as you realistically can!) The rest of your tuition is considered a scholarship. If even one-half the basic fee, spread over 4-6 monthly payments, is beyond your means, YSP will try to provide a larger scholarship or a more extended pay period, but this will depend upon the size of the Scholarship Fund that we accumulate.

YSP depends on voluntary contributions to the Scholarship Fund. (These are normally tax deductible to the donor.)

Your donation may be vital in continuing YSP's work. We request that every family that can afford to do so add a tax-deductible contribution of \$50 to \$150 (more, if feasible!) to its tuition payment.

Because of the nature of YSP programs, YSP is unable to give refunds on tuition payments after the Introduction to a production has occurred.

- Full-length Shakespeare Play — \$635 \$559
- Dickens Play — \$635 \$559
- G.B. Shaw Play — \$535 \$471
- YSP Veterans' - or Adult-Cast Play — \$635 \$559
- Acting Workshop (Shakespeare, etc.) — \$535 \$471
- Brief, Focused Workshop — \$275 \$242
- DDRS Dramatic Reading — \$275 \$242

Rehearsal session times and/or dates our actor cannot attend: \_\_\_\_\_

(NOTE: The program normally can accommodate ONLY date conflicts written here or approved by the end of the introductory sessions. Attendance is essential. Missing more than a quarter of scheduled and special rehearsals may result in loss of performances.)

*Please complete this form (2 sides) & YSP Rules & Standards Sheet; have parent(s) & Actor sign where required & include checks.*

**TUITION PAYMENT**

Actor's Name (please submit a separate form for each actor) \_\_\_\_\_

Current program applied for \_\_\_\_\_ Scheduled to begin (mo, yr) \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete Section [a] OR [b] AND Sections [c] AND [d]

[a] Paying Full Tuition

Tuition Amount (See Tuition Fees on reverse side) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Single Payment (enclosed for full amount)
- Installment Payments # \_\_\_ [number of] installments, **all** enclosed. [Please include post-dated checks.]

[b] Paying Reduced (Subsidized) Tuition (including Apprentice/Intern Director discount, when applicable)

Normal Full Tuition Amount (See Tuition Fees on reverse side) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

LESS proposed Scholarship/Subsidy \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Net Amount Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Single Payment (enclosed)
- Installment Payments # \_\_\_ [number of] installments, **all** enclosed. [Please include post-dated checks.]

Statement/explanation for subsidized tuition (**optional!**) \_\_\_\_\_

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[c] Deposit for instructional audio materials (CDs, etc.) - \$20 per actor for each new program

- Please destroy our deposit check if we return all CDs, etc., promptly.
- Please keep our deposit as a contribution to the YSP Scholarship Fund.

[d] Voluntary tax-deductible donation for the Scholarship Fund (suggested amount: \$50-100, or more)

- In order to help YSP in its work, and to help other young people who wish to do this work, but may not be able to afford full tuition, our family is including a voluntary contribution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SPECIAL NOTES: Because of the nature of YSP programs, YSP is unable to give refunds on tuition payments after the Introduction to a production has occurred. YSP does not have the staff to bill or to follow up on receivables. Please include all payments with this registration application — including post-dated checks. YSP will not cash a check before the date specified on the check. Please make all checks payable to YSP, and deliver or send forms and checks to YSP, 1806 West Lawn Avenue, Madison, WI 53711.**

Person signing checks (if other than signatory on this form —print): \_\_\_\_\_

**As the parent/guardian of my minor applicant, I have read and approve all provisions of this application:**

**Signed (parent or Guardian):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: For this application/registration form to be accepted, it must be completed on both sides and signed by parent or guardian, or actor over 18, and to have all tuition and deposit checks attached. Also, a separate YSP Rules & Standards sheet for this project must be completed and signed by both parent or guardian and actor (of whatever age).**

**For Registrar's Use Only:**

**A parent or guardian has:**  Completed and signed this form;  Enclosed all checks (including post-dated ones)

**The actor, as well as a parent or guardian has:**  Completed the associated YSP Rules & Standards Sheet for this project;  Been interviewed for this application; if not , why not: \_\_\_\_\_

Application accepted ; denied  Signed (for YSP): \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## Rules and Standards Sheet

Actor's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

is applying for admission to the following YSP project or production:

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### RULES AND STANDARDS FOR YSP ACTORS:

I wish to take part as an actor in this YSP production, and agree to follow the YSP Rules and Standards. Specifically, I agree to:

1. Attend all scheduled rehearsals, dress rehearsals, and assigned performances, except for those for which my absence has been excused in advance by YSP Directors, or those that must be missed because of the actor's illness or other family emergency (in which case a parent or guardian will call the Directors to clear the absence);
2. Attend all scheduled "tech" dress rehearsals and performances;
3. Be helpful to my fellow actors, and follow all directions of my Directors, Intern Directors, and Apprentice Directors;
4. Listen carefully — in a timely manner — to explanation CDs and all other provided instructional audio files, for all my roles, at home or elsewhere, at times other than YSP rehearsal times (and ask Directors if I still do not understand any meaning in the script);
5. Memorize my role(s) according to the schedules provided during the rehearsals or in official YSP notifications;
6. Carefully protect all YSP costume pieces and props that I use;
7. Refrain from using any games, electronic devices, phones, or printed materials (other than the script for this production) during any YSP rehearsal or performance;
8. Conduct myself at all times with appropriate respect for and courtesy toward the YSP Program, fellow participants, directors, volunteers, and any off-site performance hosts;
9. Remain off YSP premises when no adults are present;
10. Refrain from any use, sale, purchase, or discussion of tobacco, alcohol, or any banned substance at any time on YSP premises or during YSP sessions or "breaks," or on the way to or from YSP sessions or "breaks";
11. Refrain from any any "couples behavior" — at any time on YSP premises or during YSP sessions or "breaks," or on the way to or from YSP sessions or "breaks".

I have read (or have had explained to me) and fully understand and agree to all of these YSP Rules and Standards.

Actor's Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Actor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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### NOTE ON PARENT INVOLVEMENT:

YSP's success partly depends on parent involvement and help in completing key tasks — such as concession sales, media publicity, clean-up before or after performances, etc. Parents/guardians will therefore be asked to volunteer to participate in such volunteer areas.

### Agreement of Parent/Guardian of YSP Actor

*My child (or ward) is applying to act in this YSP production; I, therefore:*

1. Agree that my actor will attend all scheduled rehearsals and performances to which he/she is assigned, unless an absence is excused in advance;
2. Acknowledge that YSP is a private membership organization, and that all decisions about participation and casting are at the discretion and purview of the Directors;
3. Agree to encourage my actor to listen to all provided explanations and other instructional audio files at home in a timely manner;
4. Agree to encourage my actor to memorize her/his role(s) according to the schedules provided during the rehearsals or in official YSP notifications;
5. Acknowledge that my actor could be withdrawn from one scheduled performance (or more) if he/she misses too many scheduled rehearsals, or fails to use the instructional materials, or to memorize in a timely manner;
6. Acknowledge that many of the fundamental principles of YSP are set forth in the book, *More Things In Heaven and Earth: What The Young Shakespeare Players Have Taught Us All About Human Potential* (available in the local public library or for purchase through YSP). I agree that I, or another parent or guardian of my actor, will have read that volume through before this production ends;
7. Agree that my actor may be photographed or video-filmed while doing YSP work, and that YSP has my permission to use photos or video of our actor 1) at the YSP Playhouse; 2) on the YSP website or official social media sites; and 3) for the purpose of publicizing the production and/or YSP in general. (If you object to dissemination of such photos/videos, please check here:  ).
8. Agree to "hold harmless" YSP and all individuals associated with it in relation to any problem, accident, or illness that occurs in relation to any YSP activity. (Please read and sign Waiver and Release on reverse side of this sheet.)
9. Agree to pay all outstanding fees, deposits, "tabs," or other incurred charges in a timely manner, and acknowledge that YSP can make no refunds after this program is introduced and cast.

I have read, fully understand, and agree to all of these provisions.

Parent/Guardian Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

For purposes of this "Limitation of Liability," these definitions shall apply:

The "Applicant" shall include the applicant, performer, or volunteer applying to register for, or registering for, or participating in, any production or activity of YSP; parents, family members, and any person acting on behalf of any Applicant; and

"YSP" shall include Young Shakespeare Players, Inc., members of its board of directors, its agents, volunteers, teachers, managers, acting directors, artists, interns, apprentices, as well as YSP's actors and their families.

The Applicant releases YSP and holds it harmless from any liability arising from, or concerning, any YSP activity, including those at or concerning any rehearsals, breaks during rehearsals, performances, workshops, or other YSP programs or events. The Applicant covenants not to sue YSP for any event, action, or failure to act concerning any such YSP activity. The release, hold harmless, and covenant not to sue in this paragraph shall not extend to intentional wrongdoing, or to actions or refusals to act committed in bad faith, but shall be given the broadest possible meaning, consistent with Wisconsin law, to protect and exculpate YSP from liability and suit.

This Limitation of Liability does not, and is not intended to, apply to any alleged violations of federal or state anti-discrimination laws or laws intended to protect disabled persons.

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Parent/Guardian Signature, or Applicant Signature if Over 18