

## Audition Information for Drama Groups

Applications are now open for schools to audition for a place in a mass drama item in Star Struck 2019.

**Audition Applications due date: Wednesday 27 February 2019.**

Please read the following information carefully as it outlines the expectations of auditions and participation:

<b>Program information</b>	Star Struck is an annual performing arts arena event for public schools from across the Hunter and Central Coast. It is an exciting showcase of dance, drama and music performed to a live orchestra by students from Kindergarten to Year 12 from a vast network of NSW public schools. 2019 will be the 27th year of Star Struck.
<b>Application information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Applications are submitted online <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfxC4b_X0IKS1XCzIwe3236fb85m46zi4_ZP6o4UGuGrkYW9g/viewform?usp=sf_link">Star Struck Drama Audition Online Form</a>. Or type in <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfxC4b_X0IKS1XCzIwe3236fb85m46zi4_ZP6o4UGuGrkYW9g/viewform?usp=sf_link">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfxC4b_X0IKS1XCzIwe3236fb85m46zi4_ZP6o4UGuGrkYW9g/viewform?usp=sf_link</a></li> <li>Please ensure that you paste in your YouTube URL.</li> <li>Please submit an individual form for each group of 16.</li> </ul>
<b>Associated fees</b>	<p>The following costs are associated with participation in Star Struck drama items. All payments are due by Friday 12 April 2019. Final numbers for dance groups MUST be emailed to <a href="mailto:starstruck@det.nsw.edu.au">starstruck@det.nsw.edu.au</a> by Friday 3 May 2019. Schools will be debited after this date as part of the monthly sundry tax upload system.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participation Fee - \$30 per student No GST</li> <li>Security Fee - \$5.50 per student including GST</li> <li>Event T-shirts -\$22 including GST each. Please note t-shirts are a requirement for all students in mass school dance and drama items as these will be used to form part of a costume in the 2019 show.</li> </ul>
<b>Filming</b>	Please use a fixed camera on the whole group for the duration of the audition.
<b>Audition requirements</b>	<p>School groups should submit a 2-3 min performance piece to music, which highlights their strengths in drama. Some points to focus on include;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Capacity to demonstrate skills in expression</li> <li>Movement within the space</li> <li>Characterisation</li> </ul> <p>Teachers should feel free to explore masked theatre, mime and pieces that highlight the students' abilities to create unified character movements.</p>
<b>Selection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Schools can nominate to be considered for one or two items. Individual school groups will not be allocated more than two items plus finale. Whilst we do our best to accommodate school requests, two items cannot be guaranteed.</li> <li>Places will be allocated according to ability and primary and/or secondary groupings.</li> </ul>
<b>YouTube</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Audition videos are submitted through YouTube.</li> <li>Instructions on uploading to YouTube are attached.</li> <li>No other submission methods will be accepted.</li> <li>The students presented on your footage should be the group that will perform in Star Struck 2019.</li> </ul>
<b>Application Due Date</b>	Auditions are to be submitted no later than <b>Wednesday 27 February 2019 at 5pm</b>

***If successful at audition:***

Teachers meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Supervising teachers MUST attend the Teacher's Meeting on <b>Tuesday 19 March 2019 from 4pm - 5:30pm</b> at Hunter Theatre (Hunter School of Performing Arts, Cameron street, Broadmeadow)</li></ul>										
Group numbers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Combined drama items involve a number of school groups, each group of which consists of 16 students or, for smaller schools, 8 students.</li><li>Please ensure your school group adheres to the correct number of students as the choreography of all items is based on these numbers.</li></ul>										
Rehearsals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Teachers are responsible for rehearsing set choreography after allocated rehearsals have occurred.</li><li>We are unable to fulfill requests for specific drama rehearsal dates. It is vital that schools attend the dates allocated to them for rehearsals as choreography is based on student numbers assigned to each item.</li><li>In addition to allocated item rehearsals, groups are required to attend the following rehearsal and performance dates:  <table><tbody><tr><td>Thursday 30 May 2018</td><td>First Major Movement Rehearsal</td></tr><tr><td>Wednesday 12 June</td><td>Second Major Movement Rehearsal</td></tr><tr><td>Thursday 13 June</td><td>Technical and Dress Rehearsal</td></tr><tr><td>Friday 14 June</td><td>Matinee and Evening Performances</td></tr><tr><td>Saturday 15 June</td><td>Matinee and Evening Performances</td></tr></tbody></table></li></ul>	Thursday 30 May 2018	First Major Movement Rehearsal	Wednesday 12 June	Second Major Movement Rehearsal	Thursday 13 June	Technical and Dress Rehearsal	Friday 14 June	Matinee and Evening Performances	Saturday 15 June	Matinee and Evening Performances
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General Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>If successful, relief days for supervising school staff are the responsibility of the school.</li></ul>										

Any other questions please email the Star Struck Office on [StarStruck@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:StarStruck@det.nsw.edu.au)

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