This is a free opportunity for young people to engage in a world class arts organisation and gain singing and performance skills from industry professionals. We are particularly interested in applications from boys and/or those who are ethnically diverse.

Audition Workshops for ROH Youth Opera Programmes 27th and 28th August 2022

The Royal Opera House is delighted to invite children aged 7-13 with a passion for the performing arts to audition for our Youth Opera programmes this August. No experience or knowledge of opera is required, just a love of singing and performing and an enthusiasm to explore and create opera with the ROH. There is no fee to join us, and we are particularly interested in applications from boys and/or those who are ethnically diverse.

If you know a young person in state education who may benefit from our programmes, please read the following for more information on our programmes and how to register interest for an audition workshop.

ROH Youth Opera Programmes

There are two programmes available for young performers:

• ROH Young Voices is a singing programme for 7-8 year olds, developing participants' vocal control, musical literacy and performing skills. As well as performing at concerts and other ROH events, participants receive gain a grounding in the skills required to progress into our older ensemble, the ROH Youth Opera Company.

Audition workshops for the ROH Young Voices will be held on Saturday the 27th of August from 11-1pm

ROH Youth Opera Company is our in house ensemble of 9 – 13 year olds, and offers participants an allround training in the performing arts, covering vocal technique, language coaching, acting and stage craft,
musical literacy, and creative processes for developing new work.

Auditions for the ROH Youth Opera Company will be held on Saturday the 27^{th of} August from 2-4pm, and Sunday the 28th August from 11-1pm and 2-4pm.

Both groups meet for half day rehearsals on Saturdays during term time at Covent Garden and participate in an online music theory class after school on Wednesdays. A high level of attendance is expected so please bear this in mind when applying to join the programmes. For more information on the programmes and how they support the development of young performers watch this video.

TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

To give your child an insight into the ROH Youth Opera programmes we ask that you share with them our 'What is Opera' video workshop. Please note, this video includes some group activities which your child need not complete. Should they be invited to attend an audition workshop, they will need to be familiar with the song explored in this video as this will be explored further in the workshop. Our audition workshops are relaxed, welcoming spaces inviting attendees to explore opera with our YOC Associate Artists. Children may be asked to sing in small groups, but not on their own. Please note that audition places are limited and based on a range of considerations.

To register your child's interest in attending an ROH Youth Opera audition workshop:

- 1. Please complete this form
- 2. Please ensure your child has watched the 'What is Opera' workshop: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yUaHe1TRaKE&t=1s

For more information on the ROH Youth Opera programmes email youthopera@roh.org.uk