



# Junior Theatre Festival Trip 2025

An exciting theatre adventure for  
young performers!

# Overview

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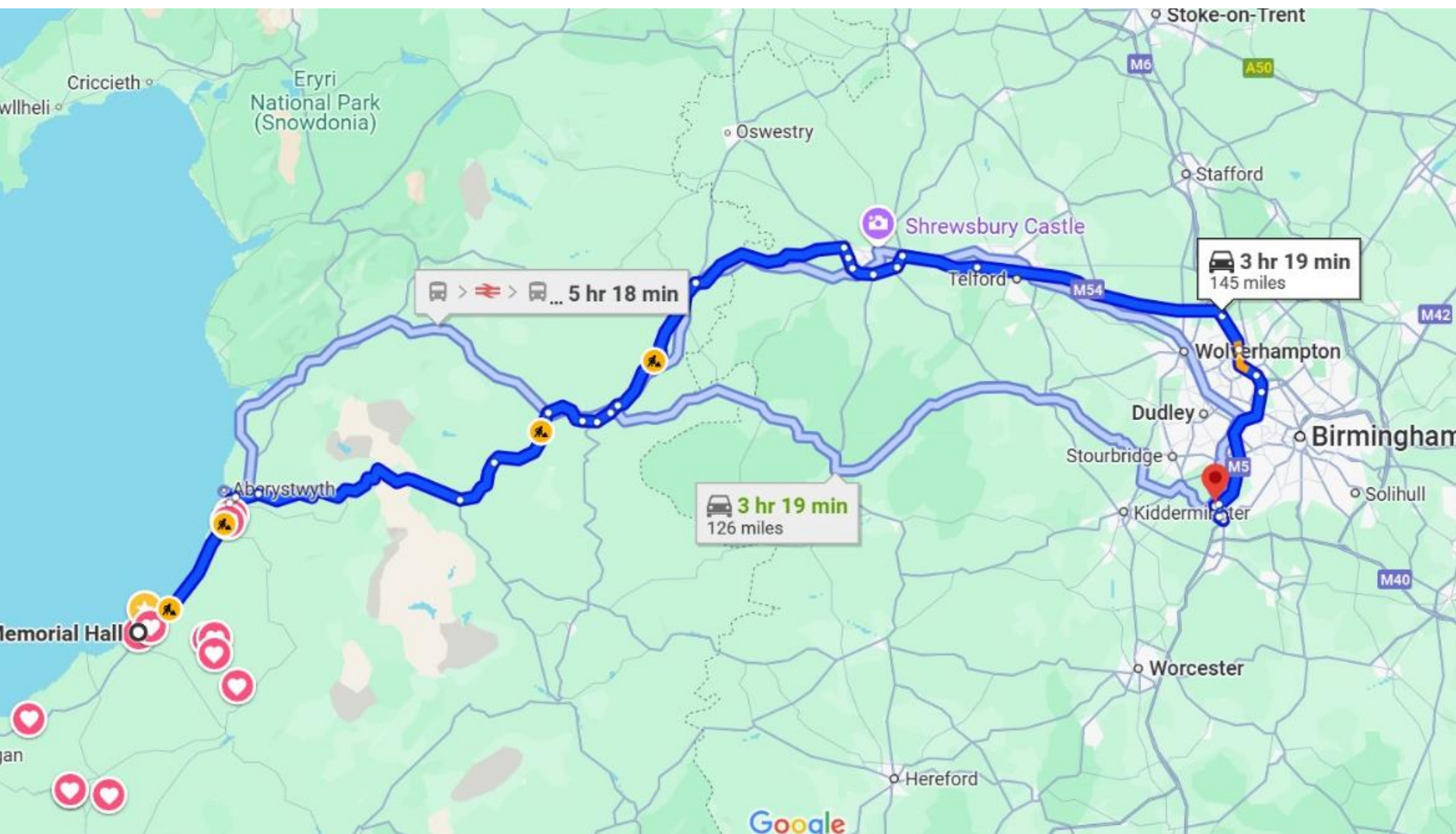
The Junior Theatre Festival brings together schools and youth groups from across the UK and Europe for a day of musical theatre mayhem. Join us for a day of jazz hands and spirit fingers, and your chance to celebrate, educate, motivate and participate.





## Trip Details

- Friday 23rd May - Sunday 25th May 2025
- MTI Junior Theatre Festival @ICC Birmingham
- Accommodation: Bell Heath Boundless Outdoors Centre (DY9 9UU)
- Coach from Aberaeron Memorial Hall (Richard Bros)





# Itinerary - Friday 23rd May

5:00 PM – Depart from Aberaeron Memorial Hall



Travel to Bell Heath Boundless Outdoors Centre



Room allocation on arrival



Supper followed by activities



Bedtime





# Bell Heath Outdoors Centre

<https://boundlessoutdoors.co.uk/>

- Rooms of 4 – 10, usually bunk beds, allocated on arrival
- Shared washroom facilities
- Similar to Llangrannog – basic, but clean!
- Bring towels, comfortable clothes and a small rucksack to take packed lunch, phone, water into festival
- Venue 45 -60 mins outside of Birmingham city centre, safe and rural
- Large hall, smaller communal areas and catering facilities
- Staff have private rooms with own bathroom
- <https://boundlessoutdoors.co.uk/gallery-downloads/>

# Itinerary - Saturday 24th May



6.00am Early breakfast



7:00 am Travel to ICC Birmingham



8:00 am Arrive at Junior Theatre Festival



Full day of performances, workshops, and activities ends @7:00pm



7:30pm Return to accommodation



Supper and evening activities



Bedtime



# The Festival...

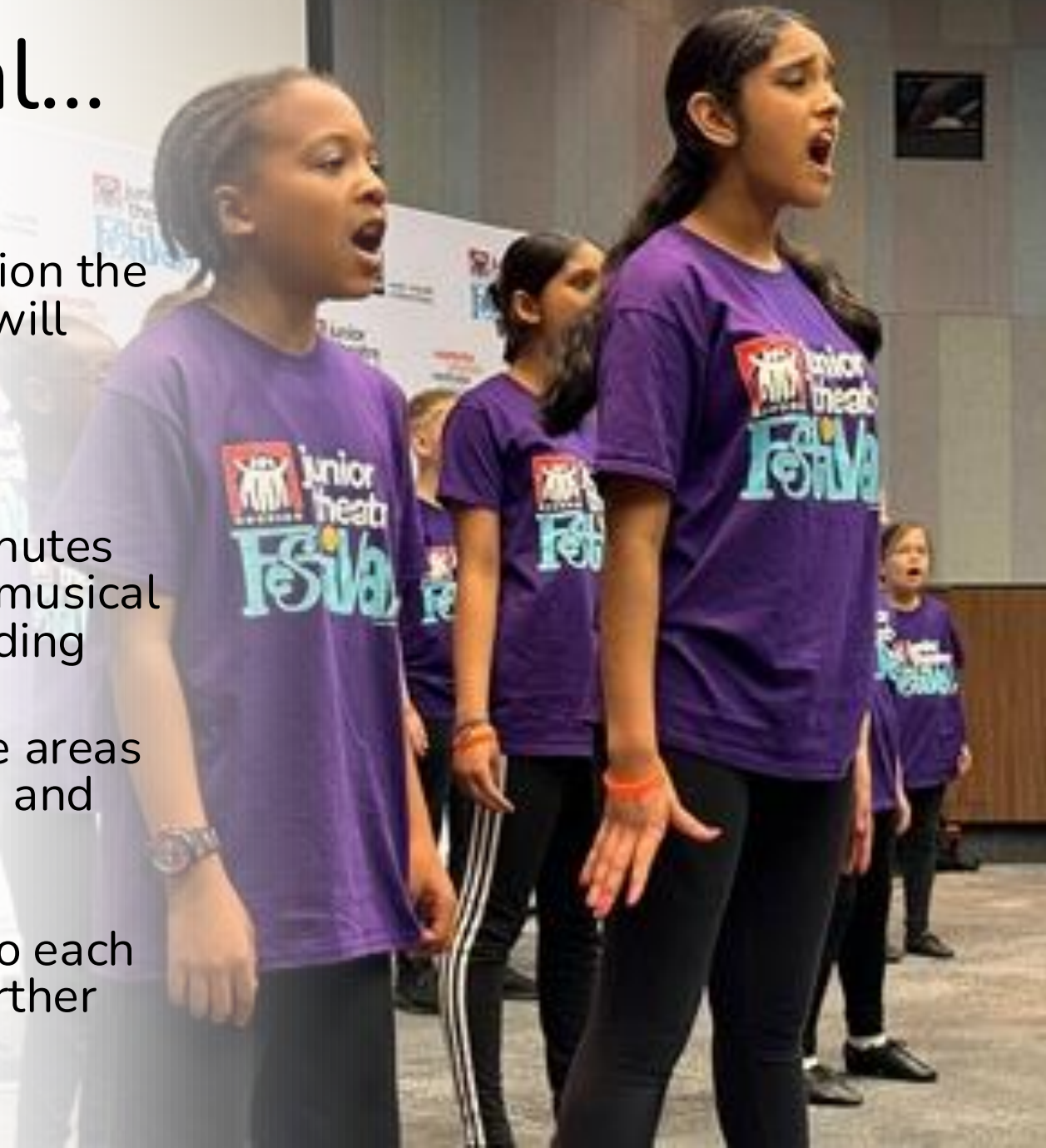
Following a mass 'kick off' and warm-up session the day-long programme will consist of:

## ADJUDICATION

Groups perform 15 minutes of a **Broadway Junior** musical for adjudication by leading theatre professionals.

Groups are rated in the areas of music, acting, dance and overall performance.

The adjudicators offer constructive criticism to each group to encourage further learning in key areas.





# NEW WORKS SHOWCASE

After lunch everyone gathers in the theatre for a sneak peak at two new **Broadway Junior** shows soon to be released for licensing. A West End star will answer questions from students and perform.



Last year's showcase: (May 2024) Newsies Jr!



# WORKSHOPS FOR STUDENTS

West End professionals and master teachers from across the globe offer interactive workshops in all aspects of musical theatre performance.

Groups will rotate around **THREE** separate workshops, each focusing on one of the core skills; acting, singing and dancing.

Dance workshops are delivered directly by West End shows, teaching the actual choreography from those shows.



# WORKSHOPS FOR TEACHERS & GROUP LEADERS

Education specialists will lead workshops designed with theatre educators in mind.

Group leaders will have the chance to ask questions, share experiences and learn new ways of working.

Leaders will also have the opportunity to rehearse and perform a musical number on the main stage.

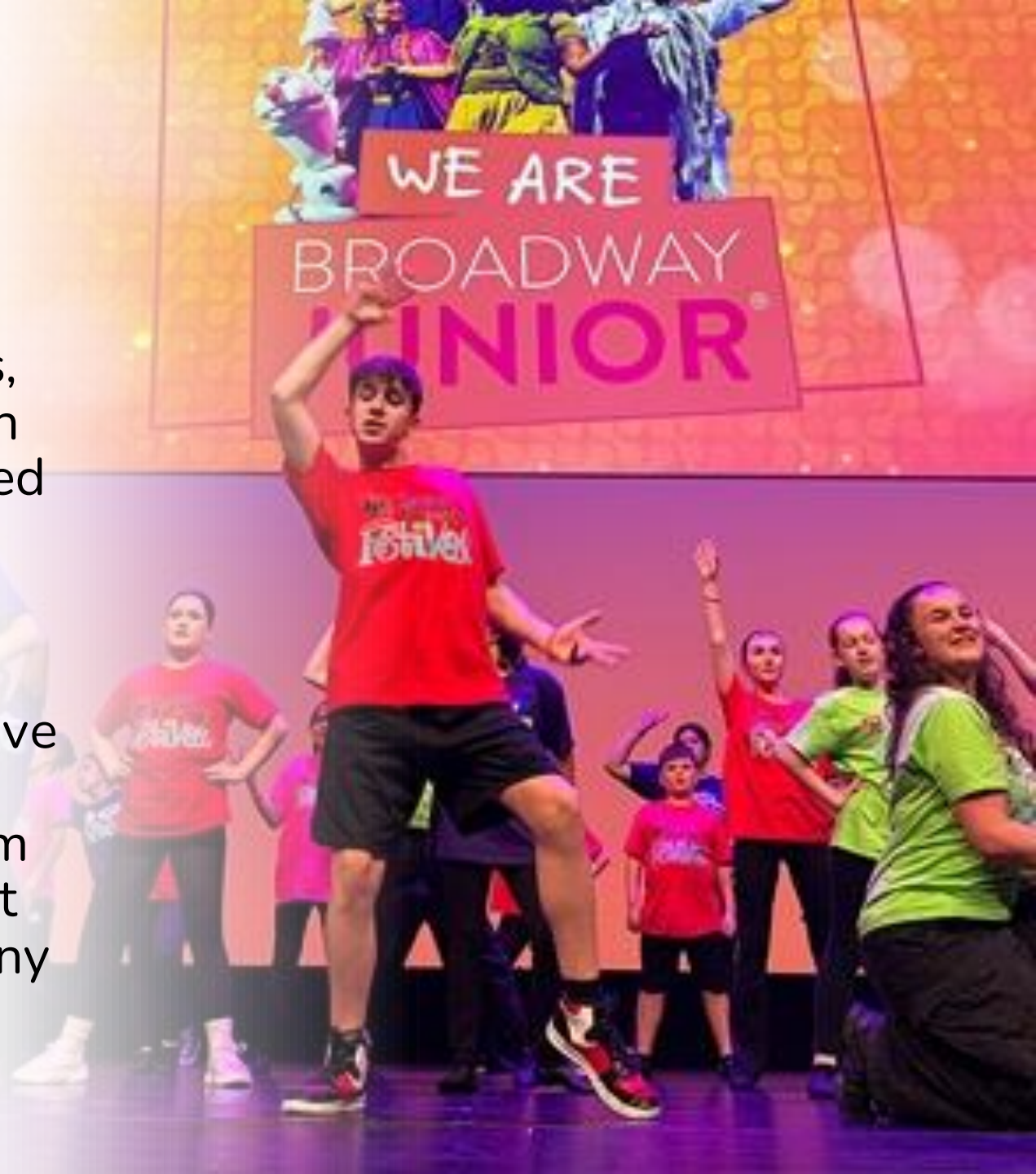




# ALLSTARS

During adjudications, 2 students from each group will be selected as AllStars.

AllStars will participate in exclusive workshops and will rehearse and perform a featured number at the Awards Ceremony on the main stage.



# AWARDS CEREMONY

To celebrate the accomplishments of the day everyone gathers in the main theatre to watch the AllStars perform.

**Outstanding performances** are selected from the morning's adjudications and groups perform their numbers on the stage.

**Awards** are given for achievements in dance, music, acting and ensemble as well as outstanding individual performances.

**Special guest stars** will perform on the main stage as a special treat to those attending the event.







# Who Can Attend?

- 44 children
- 15 min excerpt from 'Newsies Jr' chosen by Rhian G, Ceirios G, Jade M
- Larger turnout than expected at auditions so not everyone cast in the show will be able to attend
- Max group size for festival entry: 50, inc chaperones



# MTI Costs

Group registration fee: £360  
individual fee: £60 x 50 = £3000  
Festival Entry: £3360  
Bursary Prize: -£1680  
**Total: £1680**

# Trip Costs

Travel: £1500  
Accom: £33 p/p x 55 for two nights  
= £3630  
Food: £500  
**Total: £5630**

£1680  
+£5630

**Total: £7310**

Total raised so far: £5190

**Shortfall: £2120**

# Sponsorship

Castell Howell Food Donation – working with Thomas family of Y Seler to negotiate a possible donation of food.

If successful, £500 less to raise.

## Sponsorship Packages

Travel: £1500

Food: £500

Shooting Star: £250

Star: £100

Donations [www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/seraeron](http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/seraeron)

Or via our website [www.seraeron.co.uk](http://www.seraeron.co.uk)

Please reach out to colleagues, friend and family for any possible sponsors.



# Itinerary - Sunday 25th May

8:00am Breakfast

9:00am Depart for Aberaeron

1:00pm approx. Arrival back at  
Aberaeron Memorial Hall



# What to Bring

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- Comfortable clothing for travel and activities
- Theatre-appropriate attire (T-shirts provided)
- Toiletries, personal items and towels
- PJs
- Any required medication (with instructions)
- Spending money (optional)
- Tablet/earbuds etc brought at own risk



# Supervision & Safety

- The trip will be supervised by Ser Aeron volunteers
- All volunteers are/will be enhanced DBS-checked
- First-aider

Please notify us of any medical issues/treatments/medication  
BEFORE the trip

Festival Chaperones (will accompany children into the festival at the ICC Birmingham):

1. Rhian Graham
2. Nigel Owen
3. Jade Markham
4. Rachel Lloyd-Hughes
5. Rhys Davies
6. Rhian Thomas

Trip Volunteers:

+4 TBC

# Volunteers

- Self-catering option to save on costs
- Won't attend festival with children
- Catering, recreational activities, bedtime support

## Catering support:

- Friday 8.00pm: supper for 55 on arrival
- Saturday 6.00am: breakfast for 55 + 51 packed lunches, ready for 7.00am
- Saturday 8pm: supper for 55 on return from festival
- Sunday 8.00am: breakfast for 55

Please let us know if you would be interested in helping as a volunteer. We can arrange a DBS check on your behalf.





# Why Attend?



A photograph of a stage performance. A person in a patterned shirt and light-colored pants is on the left, with one arm raised. The stage is dark with several bright spotlights shining down. In the background, a large audience is seated in tiered bleachers. The overall atmosphere is that of a live event or concert.

# Thank you / Diolch

Any questions?