

Module Specification

Module Title: Group Public Performance

Module code:	TBC	NQF level:	Level 6
Credit value:	40 credits	Semester of study:	1 and 2
Module type:	Compulsory	Pre-requisites:	None
Available to:	BA (Hons) Musical Theatre		

Module overview

Building on the achievements of Level 4 and 5, students engage in preparation and rehearsals that will be led by an external director. Students will address aspects of performance technique that will ensure their continuing ability to develop their skills for performance and for their futures beyond this programme of study.

Aims

In this module students prepare, rehearse and present a full-scale production that demonstrates performance skills acquired on the programme for an audience that is made up of students from other levels and programmes across the institution. In this context students practice and demonstrate what they have learned through engagement with directors and other contributors. Students integrate their performance and collaborative skills whilst contributing creatively and personally to this artistic performance endeavour.

It is intended that they, and the college, will facilitate exposure to the industry and to the media to ensure that their work is prominently presented to the public alongside *Preparation for the Profession – Showcase* module at Level 6.

The module aims are to:

1. Enable students to develop their knowledge and understanding of the role of the performer to professional levels in the context of public performance.
2. Enable students to further develop their technical command to a professional standard with regard to the range of skills and practices, creativity and performance for Theatre in public performance.
3. Enable students to further develop their criticality and professionalism in the creation, rehearsal and performance of a large-scale production.
4. Enable students to engage professionally in cooperative and collaborative practices in the creation, rehearsal and performance of a large-scale work by taking responsibility for professionalism and their contribution to the processes of production.

Learning outcomes

On successful completion of this module, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate evidence of the acquisition of professional subject specific knowledge of performance and show clear appreciation and professional understanding of that knowledge with regard to their work on this event.
2. Demonstrate their significant acquisition of practical skills in performance acquired in Voice, Acting and Movement/Dance modules in the programme.
3. Demonstrate evidence of professional levels of self-reliance and collaboration in their application of their on-going self-discipline and ability to take responsibility as professional performers in their participation in the ensemble performance and other activities in this module.
4. Research specific texts/genres/narratives as appropriate for the performance material by utilising a wide range of research techniques and exploring the relationship between theoretical research and performance to a high level.

Learning and teaching methods

The module will be delivered through large/medium groups. In working on a production students will have the ability to demonstrate the acquisition of performance skills, as well as develop those skills over longer, broader stories/narratives. Students will engage in practices that will develop their self-sufficiency as emerging performance artists. Students will discuss the appropriate ways to engage in written discourse concerning their practical work in order to develop this skill.

Contact hours and directed study (over semesters 1 and 2)

Delivery type	Student hours
Indicative hours for learning and teaching activities	220 hours
Indicative hours of directed study	180 hours
Total hours (100hrs per 10 credits)	400 hours

Opportunities for formative feedback

Students will receive on-going formative assessment via performing opportunities that offer possibilities for peer as well as tutor feedback.

Dress rehearsals will offer students the opportunity to experiment and explore their final assessment tasks with supportive feedback concerning technical aspects of the task that is referenced to their competence in the delivery of a performance.

Further to the above there will be opportunities to video sessions to aid peer and formative assessment. Video materials may also be uploaded to the conservatoire's VLE to reinforce the developmental process required for the development of an emerging Theatre practitioner.

Assessment Method

Description of assessment	Length/Duration	Weighting	Module LOs addressed
Process Assessment	TBC	20%	1, 2, 3, 4
Practical Assessment	TBC	80%	1, 2, 3, 4

Re-Assessment Method*

Description of assessment	Length/Duration	Weighting	Module LOs addressed
Process Assessment	TBC	20%	1, 2, 3, 4
Solo Practical Assessment	TBC	80%	1, 2, 3, 4

*It is unlikely that students or the conservatoire will be able to provide equivalent resources for an accurate re-construction of the elements of assessment that were applied in the first instance. Therefore, a negotiated arrangement that addresses the Learning Outcomes for the Process Assessment and the Practical Assessment project in this module will be created to enable students to be reassessed.

Indicative Reading List

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- Callow, S. (1984) *Being an Actor* London: Methuen
- Deer, J. & Dal Vera, R., 2015. *Acting in Musical Theatre: A Comprehensive Course*. Routledge
- Dixon, Luke (2003) *Play Acting* London: Methuen
- Donnellan, Declan (2002) *The Actor and the Target* London: Nick Hern Books
- Fisher, J., 2018. *This is a Voice: 99 exercises to train, project and harness the power of your voice*. Welcome Collection
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