



# Information Pack

## **About the TWAS Theatre Young Company (TTYC)**

TWAS Theatre have been providing weekly dance and drama classes to students within Essex & Suffolk since September 2017. Established in 2014 TWAS have been providing educational opportunities to schools; offering residencies, half term workshops and continually producing professional touring productions to audiences in the local area. With all the professional opportunities we provide we're thrilled to be offering students a unique performance programme.

As a continuation from our younger class in Lawford (Manningtree,) our TTYC members aged 12 to 18 years will be lead in dance and drama classes from our resident teachers. During our resident classes we'll be giving our students the chance to gain knowledge into many forms of theatre practice and dance for example; physical theatre, improvisation, approaching Shakespeare, musical theatre jazz and commercial dance. These classes will give our students the correct tools to progress onto drama schools and any further full-time performing arts courses. In addition we'll be welcoming industry professionals to lead our students in workshops in TV & Film, Castings and Musical Theatre (acting through song).

Our overall aim for this programme is to allow older students within the Tendring district with an invested interest in performing arts to grow in all aspects of drama and dance. We work on a strong ethos of allowing students to gain confidence, an opportunity to work with like minded individuals and to obtain a strong sense of partnership from being a member of the TTYC.

## **Your Resident Teachers**

### **Acting**

#### **Matt Jewson**

#### **(BA Hons Creative Performance/MA Acting from East 15 Acting School)**

Matt is the Company Director of TWAS Theatre Ltd. Matt is a freelance drama teacher and actor. He's toured internationally in Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream and Much Ado About Nothing with Chapterhouse Theatre Company. Matt has over 5 years experience teaching for Stagecoach and for TWAS Theatre. He has a wealth of knowledge of the industry and a true passion for educating through theatre. Matt is thrilled to be leading older students in this new programme.

## **Dance**

**Rachel Jewson (BA Hons Musical Theatre)** - Rachel is a well experienced dance teacher with Stagecoach Colchester and is one of our resident TWAS facilitators for all our weekly classes. Rachel has previously choreographed for productions held at Her Majesty's Theatre in London's West End and Milton Keynes Theatre. Rachel studied Musical Theatre at University Centre Colchester.

### **Mission Statement**

*The World's A Stage and that stage is a platform for learning and telling stories about the world we live in. Our mission is to work with young people and enhance their learning opportunities through the medium of theatre.*

### **Details about the class**

**Where?** : At the Venture Centre 2000, Lawford Manningtree CO11 2JE

**When?** : Every Tuesday

**Times?**: 4:30pm to 6pm

**How Much?**: £8 each, week termly cost £80.00 x 10 sessions.