

Studio Q | Semester 1, 2022 Information Kit

About Studio Q

Welcome! *Studio Q* offers a range of **online and face-to-face theatre and performance training programs** for **different age groups, skill levels and abilities**. All of these delivered by Q Theatre at the Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre, Penrith.



General Course Outline and Structure

Run across an 8-week term, aligned with NSW's public school terms, participants attend weekly workshops to **learn and develop new skills, whilst working towards a performance outcome**.

The following courses are being offered in Terms 1-2, 2022 (subject to meeting minimum participant requirements):

- **Agile Not Fragile** contemporary dance classes for the young of heart but not so young of body.;

Agile Not Fragile	Mature adults	Fridays, 9.30am-11.30am
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- **Access Artists Ensembles** are courses for artists who identify as living with disability:

Young Adults	Ages 18 – 26	Fridays, 1:30pm-3.30pm
Adults	Ages 26+	Fridays, 10:30am-12.30pm

- **Young Artists Ensembles** are courses designed for children and teens aged 5 – 18:

Starting Out	Ages 5 – 8	Saturdays, 9:30am-11.30am and 1:30pm-3.30pm
Stepping Up	Ages 9 – 12	Saturdays, 9:30am-11.30am and 1:30pm-3.30pm
Ignite	Ages 13 - 15	Saturdays, 9:30am-12.30pm and 1:30pm-4.30pm
Accelerate	Ages 16 - 18	Tuesdays, 4:30pm-7.30pm

What Do I Wear? How Do I Prepare? What Do I Bring To Each Course?

Participants are required to wear loose and comfortable clothing to all classes, suitable for preparing them for the rigours of theatre-making.

Acceptable Clothing:	Unacceptable Clothing:
✓ Black/dark shirts	✗ Short shorts
✓ Black/dark pants or shorts	✗ Miniskirts/dresses
✓ Closed toed shoes	✗ Open toed shoes/thongs/sandals

Class make-up: We are delighted to welcome back teachers and students from our 2021 courses as well as welcoming new faces to the program. Our teachers develop training courses that provide an introduction to theatre skills suitable for the age group and skill levels of the students. Courses develop stagecraft understanding and skills, collaborative skills to work cohesively with others, and provide activities encouraging creativity and expression. Their skills are shared with the community in Term 2 with a Behind The Scenes presentation, and their learning culminates in Term 4 with an online Showcase of their theatre skills and creativity for the general public.

Online classes: To ensure the safety and health of our community, Studio Q has adapted our theatre training classes to the online environment for Terms 1 & 2, following its success in 2021. This presents a new perspective for training and activities to engage, create and develop theatre practice adapted to the Zoom platform: taking into consideration the rigours of attending online classes for our students, as well as the approaching theatre activities with an eye on the screen format the students will be exploring. Class times and fees have remained the same.

COVID Safety: Entry requirements to The Joan are subject to Government Health Orders. Please refer to the website for the latest NSW Government Health Orders and for requirements in attending Studio Q's courses at The Joan:

www.thejoan.com.au/covid-safety

Food & Water: We recommend participants bring a bottle of water to each rehearsal to remain hydrated. **Please Note:** Food is not allowed in class unless via written agreement with Management.

Accepted:	Not Accepted:
✓ Bottle of water	✗ Sugary drinks/fruit juices/soft drinks

Course Fees

The 2022 fees are outlined below:

Course	Class Duration	Fees (Per Term)
<i>Starting Out and Stepping Up</i>	2 hours	\$204
<i>Ignite and Accelerate</i>	3 hours	\$304
<i>Access Ensembles</i>	2 hours	\$184
<i>Agile Not Fragile</i>	2 hours	Per session rate only: \$10

Booking Process and Box Office Hours

How to Book

1. **Read the Terms and Conditions.** Returning students, please note these are updated each term.
2. **Enrol and pay for your course** through **The Joan's Box Office (contact details below).** We accept credit cards and EFTPOS.
3. Box Office will email you an online Enrolment Form. **Complete and submit your enrolment form** as soon as possible.
4. **Check your email for confirmation of your enrolment, enabling your participant to attend Studio Q.**

Box Office Hours

To ensure the safety of our patrons and staff, Box Office hours during COVID are:

Phone (02 4723 7600)	Monday – Friday	9am – 4:30pm
Onsite (The Joan, 597 High Street, Penrith)	Monday & Tuesday	2pm – 4.30pm
	Wednesday - Friday	9am – 4.30pm
Online (qtheatre.com.au/learning/)	24 hours, 7 days a week	

These are subject to change. To check for updates, [please visit our 'Box Office' page](#)

Contact

For information & enquiries, contact our **Theatre Programs Coordinator, Ian Zammit.**

Hours: Tuesday, 1pm – 8pm; Wednesday – Saturday, 9am – 4:30pm

Phone: (02) 4723 7606

Email: creativelearning@penrith.city

Terms and Conditions

Before booking your artists into Studio Q, please read the following Terms and Conditions carefully and contact The Joan if you have any questions.

Payment & Enrolment

Payment of fees must be made, and a completed enrolment form for the year must be received before participants can attend course sessions.

Trial Lessons

Studio Q does not offer trial or casual lessons as our course structure does not suit casual or drop-in attendance.

COVID-19 Safety Plan for on-site activity

This plan is a requirement from the NSW Government to ensure we operate safely and per health orders at all times. This plan may need to be reviewed and updated as health orders change. We will keep an updated plan at the website linked below.

- A person* must be fully vaccinated to enter PP&VA venues and provide proof of this or a medical contraindication certificate. (** Unvaccinated people aged under 16 must be accompanied by a fully vaccinated family member at all times. All visitors must show proof of vaccination.*)

Under the current Public Health Orders:

- QR check in on entry is not mandatory however we continue to encourage patrons to do so. Staff are available for assistance, and a manual option is available for those unable to register online.
- The wearing of masks is no longer mandatory. However, we highly recommend that staff and visitors wear masks where distancing is not possible.

Please check the Health and Safety Guidelines for more detailed information:

<https://www.thejoan.com.au/covid-safety/health-safety-information/>

The following applies to an on-site activity at The Joan for Studio Q and Stage Door activities. This includes all Studio Q face-to-face workshops. This does not include Stage Door online activities:

- Venue capacities have been removed and we encourage all our staff, visitors and students to maintain physical distancing where it is suitable to do so. Students are to take direction from the Teaching Artists and staff during all activities.
- To minimise numbers on-site, we would prefer that only one parent/carer per student accesses the site's ground floor Atrium Foyer to drop off and pick up students before and after courses, or remain with unvaccinated students between the ages of 12 and 16 years old, and except as required for medical reasons.
- The continued use of hand sanitiser provided by the venue upon entry is still strongly encouraged. Students are encouraged to clean their hands with hand sanitiser at the end of each class.
- Staff and Teaching Artists will exclude participants who show symptoms of being unwell and will contact parents/carers for student pick-up. Parents/carers should remain available during the session time in case of emergency.
- Any props used will not be shared among participants and will be cleaned and sanitised between classes.

Missed/Cancelled Sessions

Refunds for sessions missed by participants are not available.

Commitment & Discontinuing

Studio Q requires all participants to participate in all eight weeks of a course they have enrolled in for the term.

New participants to Studio Q are required to commit for a minimum of two weeks. If a new participant wishes to discontinue after their second week, then a refund will be given equal to the value of the remaining sessions in the term. New participants who discontinue after their third week may not be eligible for a refund.

Returning participants to Studio Q, once enrolled, are committed to attending the course for the period of enrolment: returning participants who choose to discontinue are not entitled to refunds of payments.

Agreement

By enrolling in a Studio Q course, you:

1. Authorise staff of Penrith Performing and Visual Arts Ltd. (PP&VA) to seek out emergency medical attention for your participant in the event of an emergency.
2. Understand that Studio Q staff and tutors accept no responsibility for the supervision of participants outside official session times.
3. Agree to indemnify PP&VA and its staff against any personal loss, injury or damage to property that may result from participating in the course or sessions.
4. Consent to the photographing and/or recording of your participant during Studio Q sessions and related activities for the purposes of marketing Studio Q now and in the future.
5. Agree to follow the COVID-19 Safety Plan policies and procedures of Penrith Performing & Visual Arts Ltd. as indicated above and at the website links indicated.

Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre

March 2022

Term 4 Studio Q Calendars

Print out the calendar for your class below - stick it on your fridge door for easy reference!

<h3>Agile Not Fragile Program</h3> <p>Dance courses for mature students</p>									
Summer School Holidays: Saturday 18 December 2021 – Wednesday 26 January, 2022									
Term 1, 2022 (Fridays)									
Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4	Wk 5	Wk 6	Wk 7	Wk 8	Wk 9	Wk 10
04 Feb	11 Feb	18 Feb	25 Feb	04 Mar	11 Mar	18 Mar	25 Mar	01 Apr	08 Apr
Spring School Holidays: Saturday 09 April – Monday 25 April, 2022									
Term 2, 2022 (Fridays)									
Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4	Wk 5	Wk 6	Wk 7	Wk 8	Wk 9	
29 Apr	06 May	13 May	20 May	27 May	03 Jun	10 Jun	17 Jun*	24 Jun	
*Studio Q Open Day presentation 17 June: all Friday classes present a 7-10 minute piece for their peers and all Friday classes run 10.30am-12.30pm									
Winter School Holidays: Saturday 02 July – Sunday 17 July, 2022									

<h3>Access Ensemble Programs</h3> <p>Theatre courses for students with disability</p>							
Summer School Holidays: Saturday 18 December 2021 – Wednesday 26 January, 2022							
Term 1, 2022 (Fridays)							
Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4	Wk 5	Wk 6#	Wk 7	Wk 8
04 Feb	11 Feb	18 Feb	25 Feb	04 Mar	11 Mar#	25 Mar	01 Apr
#Term break 18-22 March: no classes take place on 18 March, classes return 25 March							
Spring School Holidays: Saturday 09 April – Tuesday 25 April, 2022							
Term 2, 2022 (Fridays)							
Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4	Wk 5	Wk 6	Wk 7	Wk 8
29 Apr	06 May	13 May	20 May	27 May	03 Jun	10 Jun	17 Jun*
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Winter School Holidays: Saturday 02 July – Sunday 17 July, 2022							

Starting Out, Stepping Up and Ignite Programs

Theatre courses for students ages 5-8, 9-12, 13-15

Summer School Holidays: Saturday 18 December 2021 – Wednesday 26 January, 2022

Term 1, 2022 (Saturdays)

Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4	Wk 5	Wk 6	Wk 7	Wk 8
05 Feb	12 Feb	19 Feb	26 Feb	05 Mar	12 Mar#	26 Mar	02 Apr

#Term break 18-22 March: no classes take place on 19 March, classes return 26 March

Spring School Holidays: Saturday 09 April – Tuesday 25 April, 2022

Term 2, 2022 (Saturdays)

Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4	Wk 5	Wk 6	Wk 7	Wk 8
30 Apr	07 May	14 May	21 May	28 May	04 Jun	11 Jun	18 Jun*

***Studio Q Open Day presentation 18 June:** all Tuesday and Saturday classes present a 7-10 minute piece for their peers and all Saturday classes run 10.30am-1.30pm

Winter School Holidays: Saturday 02 July – Sunday 17 July, 2022

Accelerate Program

Theatre courses for students ages 16-18

Summer School Holidays: Saturday 18 December 2021 – Wednesday 26 January, 2022

Term 1, 2022 (Tuesdays)

Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4	Wk 5	Wk 6	Wk 7	Wk 8
15 Feb	22 Feb	01 Mar	08 Mar	15 Mar	15 Mar#	29 Mar	05 Apr

#Term break 18-22 March: no classes take place on 22 March, classes return 29 March

Spring School Holidays: Saturday 09 April – Tuesday 25 April, 2022

Term 2, 2022 (Tuesdays)

Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4	Wk 5	Wk 6	Wk 7	Wk 8
03 May	10 May	17 May	24 May	31 May	07 Jun	14 Jun	18 Jun*

***Studio Q Open Day presentation 18 June:** all Tuesday and Saturday classes present a 7-10 minute piece for their peers and all Saturday classes run 10.30am-1.30pm

Winter School Holidays: Saturday 02 July – Sunday 17 July, 2022