

Studio Q Performance Ensemble 2025 Information Kit

About *Studio Q Performance Ensemble*

Studio Q is Q Theatre's performance training program, offering a range of courses for different age groups, skill levels and abilities. The **Studio Q Performance Ensemble** is a new program for passionate young performers in Western Sydney. Its goal is to provide the opportunity to experience the thrill of working on a full-scale production in a professional theatre setting.



This kit has been designed to give you an overview of the program. For updated details, including schedules and booking information, please visit <https://www.qtheatre.com.au> or contact us on creativelearning@penrith.city or (02) 4723 7600 (extension 2).

Program Outline and Structure

The Performance Ensemble begins with an **audition process**, where potential participants showcase their passion and ability to industry professionals. This gives them a chance to gain real-world audition experience and receive valuable feedback.

Then, over 15 weeks of **intensive rehearsals**, Ensemble members will develop and perform a full-length play under the guidance of an established director. The resulting performance will

take place in the 376-seat capacity Q Theatre, complete with full-scale scenic and costume design, as part of Q Theatre company's official season.

The **Junior Performance Ensemble** (ages 9-12) will be offered in Semester 2, while the **Senior Performance Ensemble** (ages 13-18) is planned for Semester 1 of next year (2026).

Audition Date: Friday, 20 June, 4:30pm - 7:30pm

Rehearsal Schedule: Fridays, 4:30pm - 7:30pm

Rehearsal Dates: 1 August - 21 November (semester break from 26 September - 10 October)

Technical/Dress Rehearsal: 28 November

Performance Dates: 29 - 30 November

Fees: Studio Q: \$480 Term / \$900 Semester, Non-Studio Q: \$560 Term / \$1050 Semester

Studio Q Junior Performance Ensemble

Term 3, 2025 (Fridays)

Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4	Wk 5	Wk 6	Wk 7	Wk 8*
1 Aug	8 Aug	15 Aug	22 Aug	29 Aug	5 Sep	12 Sep	19 Sep

Term 4, 2025 (Fridays)

Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4	Wk 5	Wk 6	Wk 7**	Show***
17 Oct	24 Oct	31 Oct	7 Nov	14 Nov	21 Nov	28 Nov	29-30 Nov

*19 Sep will be a stumble-through with directors' notes

28 Nov will be the **Technical/Dress Rehearsal for the Performance Ensemble

***29-30 Nov will be the performance dates (exact times TBD)

How to Participate

1. Sign up for the **Performance Ensemble audition** (the link to the digital form is available on the Performance Ensemble page on the Q Theatre website).
2. Attend the assigned audition session, after which the Studio Q team will get in touch and let you know whether the participant has succeeded.
3. **Enrol and pay** through **The Joan's Box Office (contact details below)**. We accept Australian credit cards and EFTPOS.

Contact Box Office:

Phone (02 4723 7600, ext. 3)	Monday - Friday	9am - 4:30pm
Email (boxoffice@penrith.city)	Monday - Friday	9am - 4:30pm
Onsite (The Joan, 597 High Street, Penrith)	Monday - Friday	9am - 4:30pm
Online (qtheatre.com.au/workshops/)	24 hours, 7 days a week	

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

What Do I Wear? How Do I Prepare? What Do I Bring to Rehearsals?

What to wear: Comfortable, unrestrictive clothing that they are comfortable moving around in, as well as closed shoes. Black and dark colours are recommended.

What to bring: 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.

Preparing for Rehearsals: The director will outline their expectations at the start of the rehearsal period. Throughout the weeks, ensemble members will be expected to express their creativity, memorize lines from the script, and work with fellow members, among others.

Contact

For information & enquiries, please contact the **Studio Q Team:**

Phone: (02) 4723 7600 (ext. 2)

Email: creativelearning@penrith.city

Terms and Conditions

Before booking students 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. Returning students in a calendar year do not need to resubmit an enrolment form.

Trial Lessons

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

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.

Studio Q Code of Conduct

All Studio Q participants are required to read, understand and adhere to the Code of Conduct as found on this link: <https://www.qtheatre.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/Studio-Q-Code-of-Conduct.pdf>

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. Disclose any significant health or medical issues the student may have which Studio Q staff and tutors need to be aware of in the enrolment form.
3. Understand that Studio Q staff and tutors accept no responsibility for the supervision of participants outside official session times.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. Agree to follow the Studio Q Code of Conduct at the website links indicated.

Media Release Consent

By enrolling in a Studio Q course, you consent to the photographing and/or recording of the participant during Studio Q sessions and related activities for the purposes of marketing Studio Q now and in the future.

If you would like to withdraw your media release consent for the participant at any time, please inform our team via e-mail at CreativeLearning@penrith.city.

Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre

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