## WELCOME TO REC YOUTH THEATRE

Where your creativity takes centre stage









## Who we are

REC Youth Theatre is one of Buxton's oldest youth theatre groups. Since 2014 the company has been led by Kitty Randle, however in 2024 the artistic leadership was passed onto Babbling Vagabonds Storytelling Theatre Company. We are a Buxton based professional theatre company who have been creating original theatre productions and participatory projects since 2000.

At REC the company members are always at the heart of the work we do. Our members are encouraged to develop at their own speed whilst also being given good challenges. We create a really supportive community within the groups and we are guided by their interests and ideas. As much as we teach performance skills and techniques, we are also helping participants to develop key life skills too, including: creative thinking, problem solving, team work, speaking and listening, confidence, and presentation and communication skills,

"My daughter was scared to walk through the door, now she shines on stage!"



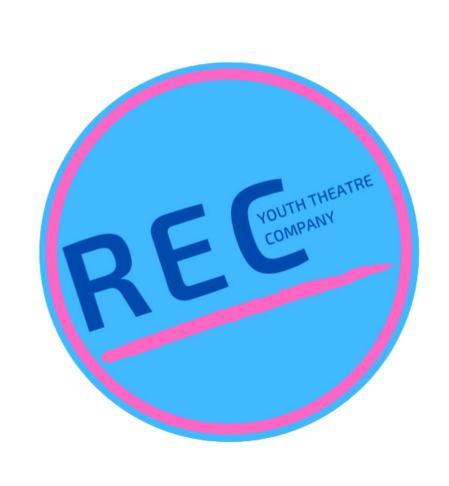




At REC we offer weekly term time training sessions to develop performance and creative skills in a supportive and fun environment. They are led by Babbling Vagabonds Artistic Director, Phil Coggins and are supported by assistants. All our workers are DBS certified and we are fully insured to run workshops and create performances with children and young people.

The workshops are fun and inclusive and each term focuses on different aspects of theatre. Drawing on our 25 years of experience, you can trust that your child is not only developing essential life skills but also growing in confidence and creativity — all while having an unforgettable, fun experience.







We are based at St Anne's Parish Centre, Hardwick Square West, Buxton, SK17 6PX

We currently have four companies who meet at different times across a typical week:

Young REC 9:30am - 10:45am (ages 6-10/11) Saturday Junior REC (ages 11-14) Saturday 11:00am - 12:30pm (ages 14-18) Senior REC Monday 6:30pm - 8:30pm (18 plus) Thursday 7:15pm - 9:00pm Theatre Gym

We run 3 x 12 week terms throughout an academic year (Sept - Dec, Jan - Apr, May - July), with each term having a different focus. A skills term, a development term, and a production term.

#### Fees:

Young REC £6 per session REC Junior £7 per session REC Seniors £9 per session

Any additional Masterclasses and Holiday Sessions are priced differently and are determined by the costs of running each extra event.

We try to make our fees as affordable as possible and we would ask you to let us know if you are facing financial difficulties which could prevent your child from attending and we can make alternative arrangements if necessary.







# What to expect

Each session has fun games and exercises designed to develop your performance skills. You'll have the chance to explore characters, tell stories and work in groups. You'll be joining a group of like minded young people who support and encourage one another.

Our sessions are led by experienced theatre makers from Babbling Vagabonds, and they are passionate about nurturing talent and helping you grow. Over the course of the year you will work towards live performances and also develop skills like teamwork and self confidence.

"It's a very inclusive environment where young people can be themselves."







"Rec has helped me grow in confidence. My acting skills have improved massively."

### Who can join?

Anyone aged 6-18 with an interest in theatre, creativity and fun is welcome to join Rec Youth Theatre.

### What should I bring?

Comfortable clothing, a water bottle and your enthusiasm!

### How do I join?

Contact us to book a free trial session and complete a simple registration form to get started.

#### Is it expensive?

We keep our fees affordable with options for financial support if needed.







# Join us

#### Trial Sessions

New members are always welcome at REC Youth Theatre and we do offer a free trial so new members are able to come along and experience a typical training session. If we are in the midst of creating a new performance we may delay trials until after our production.

If you have any questions or would like to a free trial please contact Phil.

#### Registration

After your trial we will provide a short registration form to officially join you to our theatre family.

Once registered you'll receive all the term dates, and an option to sign up to the termly newsletter.

We are here to help so please get in touch if you have any questions or need assistance.



