



YAGP Houston, TX February 9 - 11, 2018

Regional Semi-Final

Tour Guide

Dear Friends,

We are thrilled to welcome you to the Youth America Grand Prix 19th competition season. Below, you will find a preliminary timeline to help you plan your schedule, and venue information, in order to help you choose the right Semi-Final location for you.

TIMELINE

Please note that the posted timeline is NOT FINAL, and is only meant to give you an idea of how each particular semi-final will be structured. For example, the Semi-Final usually begins with the pre-competitive group performances, followed by junior groups, senior groups and ensembles. Workshops are usually planned to take place on Sunday morning, but in some larger venues we cannot always hold workshops for all participants simultaneously, and in those cases we may move some of the classes to Saturday or Friday. In some cases, depending on the availability of the studio and theater space, we may accommodate additional participants by making adjustments to the timeline. In this case, the timeline will state that additional dates are "pending". If you do not see this, it means the venue has no more available time, and will not accommodate any participants beyond the standard registered number. If you see a "pending" date for your venue of choice, **we strongly suggest that you contact the YAGP Regional office before making any final travel arrangements.** Each semi-finalist is invited to participate in one workshop, consisting of three classes. Closer to the event, the master classes will be divided up by age and/or performance, at the discretion of the YAGP regional team. For example, sometimes the classes are split by age (12-14, for example) or sometimes by Soloist/Ensemble. For those semi-finals that are starting earlier in the week, on Thursday, classes will be held earlier as well, on Friday and/or Saturday.

The breakdown will be made clear in the final timeline and detailed schedule. The first draft of the updated timeline with a detailed schedule will be posted after the registration cut-off date, about five-to-six weeks prior to each semi-final. The final timeline will be posted 7 - 10 days before the event.

VENUE

Here you will find details about all Semi-Final event facilities, including theaters and studios. The number of seats in the theater can be used as a good indicator of the size of the event -- the smaller the size of the auditorium, the more limited the capacity of the event, and vice versa. Semi-finals that take place later in the season usually get more crowded. In all cases, we recommend registering early to ensure participation in your preferred venue.

Best of luck this season, and please do not hesitate to send all your additional questions to regional@yagp.org.

All the best,

The YAGP Team

YAGP 2018 Houston, TX

Preliminary Timeline

Registration begins 2 hours before your Competition Time.

Thursday, February 8, 2018:

Competition (Pending)

Depending on the number of students registered.

Cullen Performance Hall

4 PM - 10 PM

Friday, February 9, 2018:

Competition

Cullen Performance Hall

9 AM – 10 PM

Saturday, February 10, 2018:

Competition

Cullen Performance Hall

9 AM – 8 PM

Awards Ceremony

9 PM – 10 PM

Sunday, February 11, 2018:

Master Classes

Houston Ballet Academy

10 AM – 2:30 PM

- Please note this schedule is Tentative and Subject to Change
- The first draft of the Timeline will be posted 5 - 6 weeks before the Event
- The final Timeline will be posted 10-14 days before the Event.

YAGP 2018 Houston, TX

Important Information

About the Venue:

The historic Cullen Performance Hall is located on the campus of University of Houston, less than 15 minutes drive from Houston's downtown area. Master Classes will take place at Houston Ballet's state-of-the-art facilities, featuring some of the largest and best-equipped studios in the country. The studios are well located in the very heart of Houston's Theater District. This is a great semi-final venue choice for those who are planning to fly: the Houston Airport is one of the biggest hubs in the country and has many convenient, connecting flights from virtually anywhere.

Theater:

Theater: Cullen Performance Hall

Address: University of Houston, 4800 Calhoun Road, Houston, TX 77004

Website: <http://www.uh.edu/cullen-performance-hall/>

Stage Size: 36' X 30'

Auditorium Size: 1,531 seats

Nearby restaurants: A variety of options within a short walking distance from Theater

Parking: Welcome Center Garage, 4810 Calhoun Road, Houston, TX \$10/day cash only



Studios:

Studios: Houston Ballet Academy

Address: 601 Preston St, Houston, TX 77002

Website: <https://www.houstonballet.org/>

Parking: Street parking free of charge



Hotel:

Host Hotel: Hilton at the University of Houston ★★★★★

Address: 4450 University Dr, Houston, TX 77204

Website: <http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/texas/hilton-university-of-houston-HOUUHHF/index.html>

YAGP Special Rate: \$149

Distance from Theater: 0.2 miles, approximately 5 minute walk

Distance from Studios: 5 miles, approximately 15 minute drive

Parking: \$15 per night

Breakfast: restaurant on-site

WiFi: complimentary

Shuttle: n/a

Book By: Please note that room availability is limited, please book at your earliest convenience.

Reservation method: [Book your YAGP Group Rate here](#)

Hotel Restaurant

Eric's - \$\$-\$\$\$, on-site

Hours of Operation: 6:30 AM-10:00 PM

Website: <http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/texas/hilton-university-of-houston-HOUUHHF/dining/index.html>

Meals Served: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Cuisine: American

Phone Contact: (832) 531-6300



JW Marriott Houston Downtown ★★★★★

Address: 806 Main St, Houston, TX 77002

Website: <http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/houdj-jw-marriott-houston-downtown/>

YAGP Special Rate: \$129

Distance from Theater: 5 miles, approximately 20 minute drive

Distance from Studios: 0.5 miles, approximately 10 minute walk

Parking: \$32 reduced overnight parking

Breakfast: \$25 per person

WiFi: complimentary

Shuttle: n/a

Book By: Please note that room availability is limited, please book at your earliest convenience.

Reservation method: To receive the YAGP special rate please call the hotel at (713) 237-1111 and mention that you are a part of the YAGP group.

Hotel Restaurant:

Main Kitchen Restaurant & 806 Lounge - \$\$, on-site

Hours of Operation: Mon to Fri 6:30 AM - 11:00 PM, Sat & Sun 7:00 AM - 11:00 PM

Website: <https://www.opentable.com/main-kitchen>

Meals Served: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Cuisine: American, Southern, Tex-Mex

Phone Contact: (713) 360-3700



Distances:

Distance between theater and studios: 6 miles, approximately 15 minute drive

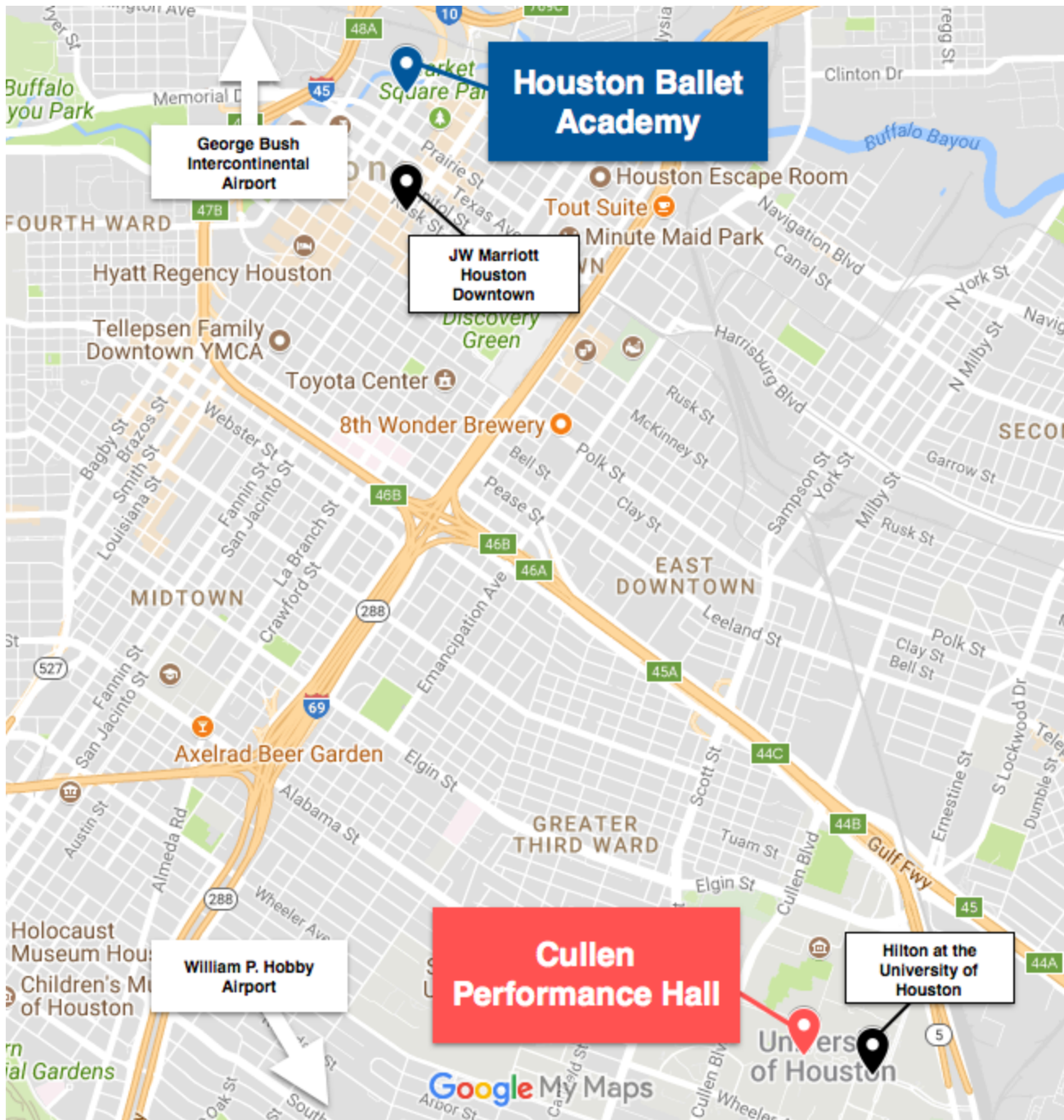
Distance from airport to theater: 25 miles, approximately 30 minute drive

Distance from airport to studios: 20 miles, approximately 25 minute drive

Distance from airport to hotel: 25 miles, approximately 30 minute drive (Hilton at the University of Houston); 10 miles approximately 20 minutes driving (JW Marriott Houston Downtown)

Distance from hotel to theater: 0.2 miles, approximately 5 minute walk (Hilton at the University of Houston); 5 miles, approximately 20 minute drive (JW Marriott Houston Downtown)

Distance from hotel to studios: 5 miles, approximately 15 minute drive (Hilton at the University of Houston); 0.5 miles, approximately 10 minute walk (JW Marriott Houston Downtown)



Dining:

Theater - nearby lunch options:

Einstein Bros. Bagels - \$, 0.1 miles away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Fri 6:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Sat 6:00 AM - 3:00 PM, Sun 6:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Website: <https://locations.einsteinbros.com/ll/US/TX/Houston/4800-Calhoun-Rd>

Cuisine: Coffee shop

Address: Phillip Hoffman Building, 4800 Calhoun Rd, Houston, TX 77004

Phone: (713) 743-8619

McAlister's Deli - \$, 0.2 miles away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Fri 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM, Sat 11:00 Am - 5:00 PM, Sun closed

Website:

https://www.mcalistersdeli.com/locations/tx/houston/4434-university-dr-1232?utm_source=google&utm_medium=organic&utm_campaign=localmaps

Cuisine: Sandwiches

Address: 4434 University Dr #178, Houston, TX 77204

Phone: (713) 743-9921

Pizza Hut - \$, 0.2 miles away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Thu 10:30 AM - 11:00 PM, Fri & Sat 10:30 AM - 12:00 AM,

Sun 10:30 AM - 11:00 PM

Website: <http://www.pizzahut.com/>

Cuisine: Pizzeria

Address: 4835 Calhoun Rd, Houston, TX 77004

Phone: (713) 748-5145

Smoothie King - \$\$, 0.3 miles away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Fri 7:00 AM - 9:00 PM, Sat 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM, Sun 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Website: <https://smoothieking.com/location/view?store=403>

Cuisine: Smoothie & sandwiches

Address: Campus Recreation & Wellness Center, 4500 University Dr, Houston, TX 77004

Phone: (832) 842-9109

Cafe 101 - \$, 0.4 miles away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Fri 11:00 AM - 10:00 PM, Sat & Sun 12:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Website: <https://www.cafe101houston.com/>

Cuisine: Asian fusion

Address: 4701 Calhoun Rd, Houston, TX 77004

Phone: (832) 649-5240

Studio - nearby lunch options:

Birraporetti's - \$\$, 0.1 miles away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Sat 11:00 AM - 12:00 AM, Sun 10:00 AM - 12:00 AM

Website: <https://www.birraporettishouston.com/>

Cuisine: Italian

Address: 500 Louisiana St, Houston, TX 77002

Phone: (713) 224-9494

Subway - \$, 0.1 miles away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Sat 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM, Sun 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Website: <https://order.subway.com/Cart/Menu2.aspx>

Cuisine: Sandwiches

Address: 500 Louisiana St, Houston, TX 77002

Phone: (713) 227-4700

Which Wich Superior Sandwiches - \$, 0.3 miles away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Fri 7:00 AM - 2:30 PM, Sat & Sun closed

Website: <https://order.subway.com/Cart/Menu2.aspx>

Cuisine: Sandwiches

Address: 711 Louisiana St, Houston, TX 77002

Phone: (713) 222-2999

Sandwich & Tapioca - \$, 0.4 miles away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Fri 10:30 AM - 8:00 PM, Sat & Sun closed

Website: <http://www.sntrestaurant.com/>

Cuisine: Sandwiches

Address: 1001 Texas St, Houston, TX 77002

Phone: (713) 229-0077

Jimmy John's - \$, 0.5 miles away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Sat 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Sun closed

Website: <https://www.jimmyjohns.com/>

Cuisine: Sandwiches

Address: 820 Main St, Houston, TX 77002

Phone: (713) 222-9995

Schlotzsky's- \$\$, 0.5 miles away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Fri 7:00 AM - 3:00 PM, Sat & Sun closed

Website:

https://www.schlotzskys.com/find-your-schlotzskys/texas/houston/3413/?utm_source=google&utm_medium=organic&utm_campaign=localmaps

Cuisine: Sandwiches

Address: 815 Walker Street, Ste T26, Houston, TX 77002

Phone: (713) 225-3354

Hotel - nearby restaurants (Hilton at the University of Houston):

Fat Bao - \$\$, 500 feet away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Sat 11:00 AM - 10:00 PM, Sun 12:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Website: <http://www.fatbaohouston.com/>

Cuisine: Asian Fusion, sandwiches

Address: 405 Main St #101, Houston, TX 77002

Phone Contact: (713) 360-7748

Barron's Restaurant - \$, 0.2 miles away

Hours of Operation: 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Website: <http://www.uh.edu/hilton-college/About/Barrons-Restaurant/>

Cuisine: Seafood

Address: 4450 University Of Houston, Houston, TX 77004

Phone Contact: (713) 743-2558

Pink's Pizza - \$, 0.3 miles away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Fri 11:00 AM - 2:00 AM, Sat & Sun 11:00 AM - 12:00 AM

Website: <http://www.pinkspizza.com/>

Cuisine: Pizzeria

Address: 4701 Calhoun Rd, Houston, TX 77004

Phone Contact: (832) 831-3145

Maga's Cafe - \$, 2 miles away

Hours of Operation: Mon 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM, Tues closed, Wed to Sun 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Website: <https://www.yelp.com/biz/magas-cafe-houston>

Cuisine: American

Address: 1123 Dumble St, Houston, TX 77023

Phone Contact: (713) 485-0555

Hotel - nearby restaurants (JW Marriott Houston Downtown):

Springbok - \$\$, 295 feet away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Wed 11:00 AM - 2:00 AM, Sat 11:00 AM - 12:00 AM, Sun closed

Website: <http://www.springbokhouston.com/>

Cuisine: American & South African

Address: 711 Main St, Houston, TX 77002

Phone Contact: (832) 767-5574

Bombay Pizza Co. - \$\$, 387 feet away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Thu 10:30 AM - 10:00 PM, Fri 10:30 AM - 11:00 PM,
Sat 12:00 PM - 11:00 PM, Sun 12:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Website: <http://www.bombaypizzaco.com/>

Cuisine: Pizzeria

Address: 914 Main St #105, Houston, TX 77002

Phone Contact: (713) 654-4444

Morton's The Steakhouse - \$\$\$, 0.2 miles away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Fri 11:00 AM - 10:00 PM, Sat & Sun 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Website: http://www.mortons.com/?utm_source=Yext&utm_medium=website&utm_campaign=Yext

Cuisine: Steakhouse

Address: 1001 McKinney Street Ste A4, Houston, TX 77002

Phone Contact: (713) 659-3700

Andalucia Tapas Restaurant & Bar - \$\$, 0.4 miles away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Thu 11:00 AM - 10:00 PM, Sat 4:00 PM - 12:00 AM, Sun closed

Website: <http://www.andaluciatapas.com/>

Cuisine: Spanish

Address: 1204 Caroline St #161, Houston, TX 77002

Phone Contact: (832) 319-6673

Pappas Bar-B-Q - \$\$, 0.4 miles away

Hours of Operation: Mon to Fri 6:30 AM - 10:00 AM & 10:30 AM - 7:00 PM, Sat & Sun closed

Website: <https://pappasbbq.com/location/downtown-smith-st>

Cuisine: Barbecue

Address: 1100 Smith St, Houston, TX 77002

Phone Contact: (713) 759-0018