



YAGP NEW YORK, NY APRIL 12 - 20, 2018 FINALS

Tour Guide (as of November 21, 2017)

Dear Friends,

We are thrilled to welcome you to the Youth America Grand Prix 2018 Finals. Below, you will find the following helpful information:

- a breakdown of Final Week locations and events, so that you can plan your trip
- a preliminary timeline of the Final Week competition and classes
- venue information including theaters, studios and hotels
- distances for convenient travel-planning
- transportation options

Please note that the posted timeline is NOT FINAL, and is only meant to give you an idea of how each particular day of the Final will be structured. The first draft of the official schedule will be available toward the end of the US Regional Semi-Final tour, no later than **March 2, 2018**. The final official schedule will be posted after the completion of the US Regional Semi-Finals, no later than **March 29, 2018**.

IMPORTANT: The New York Finals are scheduled in two parts:

1. SUNY PURCHASE COLLEGE (Purchase, Westchester County, New York) APRIL 13-17

The first part of Final competitions and all classes will take place on the picturesque campus of SUNY Purchase College in Westchester County, the upscale, peaceful suburb of New York City, with a wide array of shopping, dining and entertainment options nearby. To accommodate the maximum number of participants, on some days competition will be held simultaneously in two theaters within the performing arts complex. You'll find two convenient hotel options listed below, with links to book your stay. Please keep in mind — AirBnB and other alternate living arrangements are limited. The following events will take place at SUNY Purchase:

- Round 1, Jr and Sr
- Round 2 Jr and Sr
- Pre-Competitive performances
- Ensembles
- Pas de Deux
- Master Classes
- Grand Defile rehearsals

2. NEW YORK CITY, New York APRIL 18-20

The second part of the competition will take place in New York City:

- The Final Round
- YAGP Gala "Stars of Today Meet the Stars of Tomorrow"
- Award Ceremony
- Master Classes
- Please note: Performances for a limited number of Ensembles will take place at Symphony Space in New York City on Wednesday, April 18

INTERACTIVE MAP OF ALL YAGP 2018 FINAL WEEK VENUES

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1Y5jZBfd1x6A5E49MT3JP8DUGITY&usp=sharing>

PRELIMINARY TIMELINE

Thursday, April 12, 2018:

SUNY Purchase Concert Hall

Pre-registration 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm (optional)

Suggested arrival for junior students - check into Westchester hotels

Friday, April 13, 2018:

SUNY Purchase Concert Hall

- Junior Women Competition Round 1, Junior Contemporary (Ages 12 – 13)
- Pre-Competitive Competition (pending)

SUNY Purchase Studios

- GRAND DEFILE 1st Rehearsal (6:30-9 PM)
- Master Classes

Suggested arrival for senior students - check into Westchester hotels

Saturday, April 14, 2018:

SUNY Purchase Concert Hall

- Junior Women Competition Round 1, Contemporary (Ages 13 – 14)
- Senior Women Competition, Round 1, Contemporary (Ages 15 - 19)
- Ensemble Competition
- Classical Pas de Deux Competition
- Master Classes

Sunday, April 15, 2018:

SUNY Purchase Concert Hall & PepsiCo Theater

- Senior Women Competition Round 1, Contemporary (Ages 15 - 19)
- Junior & Senior Men Competition Round 1, Contemporary (Ages 12 - 19)
- Ensemble Competition
- Pre-Competitive Competition
- Master Classes

Monday, April 16, 2018:

SUNY Purchase Concert Hall & PepsiCo Theater

- Junior Women Competition, Round 2, Classical (Ages 12 - 14)
- Classical & Contemporary Pas de Deux
- Pre-Competitive Competition
- Master Classes

Tuesday, April 17, 2018:

SUNY Purchase Concert Hall & PepsiCo Theater

- Senior Women Competition, Round 2, Classical (Ages 15 - 19)
- Junior & Senior Men Competition, Round 2, Classical (Ages 12 - 19)
- Pre-Competitive Competition

Check Out of Westchester hotels, Check into Sheraton Times Square Hotel in New York City

Wednesday, April 18, 2018:

Manhattan Movement Center Studios

- Scholarship Classes

Peter Jay Sharp Theatre at Symphony Space

- Competition Small Ensembles, Duets/Trios, (large ensembles allowed by special request only, due to smaller stage size)

David H. Koch Theater at Lincoln Center

- Teachers' reception
- Final Round - 7:00pm

Thursday, April 19, 2018:

Studios TBA

- Scholarship Classes

David H. Koch Theater at Lincoln Center

- YAGP 2018 GALA "Stars of Today Meet the Stars of Tomorrow" - 7:00pm

Friday, April 20, 2018:

David H. Koch Theater at Lincoln Center

- Award Ceremony, exact time TBA
- Closing Party for all participants (post-awards)

INFORMATION FOR ENSEMBLE PARTICIPANTS

We understand that many participants are unable to stay for the full week. This is why we created a couple of options for your convenience. Please review the schedule options below and choose the one that works best for you.

- **First half of the week (3-4 days, SUNY Purchase ONLY):** Ensemble participants may arrive either on Friday the 13th or Saturday the 14th and perform on either Saturday the 14th or Sunday the 15th. They may depart next day after the performance, either Sunday the 15th or Monday the 16th.
- **Second half of the Week (3-4 days New York City ONLY):** Ensemble participants may arrive on Tuesday, the 17th, stay in Manhattan only, and perform on Wednesday, the 18th on the smaller-sized stage at Symphony Space. They would stay through the Final Round, Gala and Awards Ceremony and leave on Friday, the 20th in the evening or Saturday morning.
- **Full Week (7+ days, SUNY Purchase and New York City):** Ensemble participants may arrive at the start of the Final Week and stay through the Award Ceremony.

Ensemble participants who wish to be part of the **Grand Defile** must arrive in time to attend the first rehearsal on Friday April 13th and stay through the Gala on Thursday the 19th.

THEATERS IN WESTCHESTER (April 13-17, 2018)

The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College is a magnificent four-theatre complex located on the campus of the State University of New York Purchase College - a short distance from the host hotel, and close to the Metro-North Train Station (approximately a 35-minute ride to midtown Manhattan). Theaters have spacious stages, a backstage rehearsal room and a large dance studio, ample dressing rooms and lobby space. The state-of-the-art dance studios, home of Purchase Dance, are located in the Department of Dance building, next door to the theater complex.

The Concert Hall at SUNY Purchase

Website: <http://www.artscenter.org/facility-rentals/theatres/the-concert-hall/>

Address: 735 Anderson Hill Rd, Purchase, NY 10577

Stage size: 54' W x 55' D/ 16.5 meters W x 16.7 meters D

Auditorium size: 1,372 seats

Parking: On site (West 1 and West 2), free of charge with tickets



PepsiCo Theatre at SUNY Purchase

Website: <http://www.artscenter.org/facility-rentals/theatres/pepsico-theatre/>

Address: 735 Anderson Hill Rd, Purchase, NY 10577

Stage size: 55' ft W x 44' ft D / 16.7 meters W x 13.4 meters D

Auditorium size: 713 seats

Parking: On site (West 1 and West 2), free of charge with tickets



THEATERS IN NEW YORK CITY (April 17-20, 2018)

David Koch Theater at Lincoln Center

Website: <http://davidkochtheater.com/>

Address: 20 Lincoln Center Plaza, New York, NY 10023

(PLEASE NOTE: Stage entrance to the David H. Koch Theater is located on the south side of the theatre, on Columbus Avenue at 61st Street)

Stage size: 56' W x 54' D / 17 meters W x 16.5 meters D

Auditorium size: 2,586

Parking: Lincoln Center Garage (<https://tickets.lincolncenter.org/parking>) Sunday - Friday matinee or evening \$44

The Regent Garage, 80 West 61st Street: up to 3 Hours - \$25.00, 12 Hours - \$40.00



Peter Jay Sharp Theatre at Symphony Space

ENSEMBLES ONLY

Website: <https://www.symphonyspace.org/home>

Address: 2537 Broadway, New York, NY 10025

Stage size: 40' W x 38'9" D / 12.19 meters W x 11.76 meters D

Stage has a slight rake. The slope is 2" inches / 5.8 cm over 15' ft. / 4.5 m

Auditorium size: 760

Parking: Convenient Parking - 215 West 95th St, New York, NY 10025
(iconparkingsystems.com), \$35 up to 2 hours, \$45 up to 10 hours



HOTELS IN WESTCHESTER (April 11-17, 2018)

DORAL ARROWWOOD RESORT HOTEL ★★★★★

Nestled in the heart of 114-acre grounds, the Doral Arrowwood resort hotel offers a selection of upscale amenities, including a fitness center, indoor/outdoor pools, golfing, as well as a formal restaurant, where a complimentary breakfast is open for all guests.

Address: 975 Anderson Hill Rd, Rye Brook, NY 10573

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

Distance from SUNY Purchase: 1.4 kilometers (5 minute drive), 20 minute walk

YAGP Special Rate: \$135 per night for a standard room (options include: king bed, queen bed, two queen beds, or two double beds)

Parking: on site, complimentary

Breakfast: on site, complimentary

WiFi: on site, complimentary

Shuttle: transportation from hotel to the SUNY Purchase theatre will be provided, more details will be available closer to the date of the Finals.

Book by: January 12, 2018

Reservation method: [Click here to receive the YAGP special rate](#) or call +1 (844) 214-5500



Public transportation:

- Metro North Railway, Harlem Line - White Plains station (5.4 miles / 8.6 kilometers, 15 minute drive from the hotel. Bus 0012 - 37 minute ride from the hotel).
- Trains run every 10-15 minutes to/from Grand Central New York.
- Express trains take about 35 minutes. Local trains take up to 50 minutes,
- Fare: peak one way (\$18 on board, \$12.5 at the station), off peak one way (\$15 on board, \$9.25 at the station). Peak hours are Mon-Fri, 5-10 AM and 4-8 PM. Please visit www.mta.info for more information.

HILTON WESTCHESTER HOTEL ★★★

Situated on 37 acres of beautiful woodland, the Hilton Westchester hotel offers free standard WiFi, complimentary local shuttle service, indoor and outdoor swimming pools, tennis courts and jogging and walking trails.

Address: 699 Westchester Avenue, Rye Brook, NY 10573

Website: <http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/new-york/hilton-westchester-RYEH1HH/index.html>

YAGP Special Rate: 159 for single/double, \$179 for triple/quad

Distance from SUNY Purchase 3.8 miles (11 minute drive)

Parking: on site, complimentary

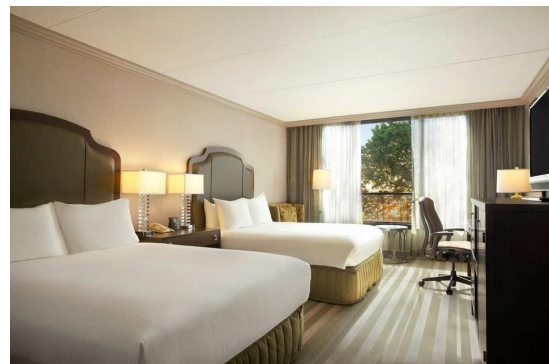
Breakfast: Grab & Go for \$20.00 (pre-order only)

WiFi: on site, complimentary

Shuttle: complimentary, services to local areas, the Port Chester & Rye train station (starting at 7:00am every 30 minutes), restaurants, Westchester airport (every 30 minutes starting 4:45am)

Book By: March 20, 2018

Reservation method: [Click here to book your special group rate for YAGP 2018](#) or call (914) 939-6300



Public Transportation

- Metro North Railway, New Caanan / New Haven line - Port Chester & Rye stations (1.7 miles / 2.7 kilometers, 7 minute drive from the hotel. Free shuttle bus from/to the hotel).
- Trains run twice per hour to/from Grand Central New York, taking around 50 minutes.
- Fare: peak one way (\$19 on board, \$13.25 at the station), off peak one way (\$16 on board, \$10 at the station). Peak hours are Mon-Fri, 5-10 AM and 4-8 PM. Please visit www.mta.info for more information

HOTEL IN NEW YORK (April 17-20, 2018)

SHERATON TIMES SQUARE HOTEL ★★★★★

This iconic hotel is conveniently located within walking distance to Lincoln Center.

Address: 811 7th Ave, New York, NY 10019

Website: <http://www.sheratonnewyork.com/?SWAQ=958P>

YAGP Special Rate: \$295 per night

Distance from Lincoln Center: 1.4 kilometers, 6 minute drive, 11 minute subway ride, 16 minute walk.

Distance from Symphony Space: 3.8 kilometers, 17 minute drive, 16 minute subway ride.

Distance from Manhattan Movement Center: 1.7 kilometers, about 10 minute drive

Parking: covered 24-hour valet parking, \$60 per day (no in/out privileges); additional parking options are available within a few blocks of the hotel

Breakfast: available in lobby and nearby

WiFi: complimentary

Book By: March 19, 2018

Reservation method: [Click here to book your special YAGP rate for YAGP 2018](#) or call +1 (212) 581-1000



DISTANCES AND TRANSPORTATION ESTIMATES

CAR RENTAL: Although not necessary, renting a car may help you get around during the portion of the competition that takes place at SUNY Purchase. You will not need a car in NYC.

TAXIS are available at the airport and are easy to find. Look for the yellow NYC Taxi logos. You can also request a mini-van to accommodate more passengers.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Proceed directly to the indicated "Taxi" lines or transportation desks for assistance finding transportation. Do not accept rides from individuals without proper identification.

UBER or LYFT, a car service requested through an app, are an easy way to transport to and from the airport. Request a car by using either app at least 5-10 minutes prior to your intended departure. Prices depend on demand, traffic and distance, as well as type of ride selected. Please follow the link to learn more about it, and download the app. <https://www.uber.com/> ; <http://lyft.com>

IN WESTCHESTER:

Distance from Westchester Airport to SUNY Purchase: 4.2 kilometers / 2.6 miles, approximately 6 minute drive, \$7-\$9 Uber, \$12 Lyft, \$26 cab

Distance from LaGuardia Airport to SUNY Purchase: 45 kilometers / 28 miles, approximately 55 minute drive, \$70-\$91 Uber, \$72 Lyft, \$85-\$106 yellow cab

Distance from JFK Airport to SUNY Purchase: 60 kilometers / 37 miles, approximately 1 hour 15 minute drive, \$86-\$113 Uber, \$90 Lyft, \$105-\$116 yellow cab

Distance from airport (Newark) to SUNY Purchase: 73 kilometers / 45 miles, approximately 1 hour 19 minute drive, \$79-\$95 Uber, \$80 Lyft, \$136-\$148 yellow cab

IN NEW YORK CITY:

Distance from Sheraton Times Square Hotel to David H. Koch Theater: 1.4 kilometers / 0.8 miles, 6 minute drive, 11 minute subway, 16 minute walk, \$10 Uber, \$15 Lyft, \$10 cab

Distance from Sheraton Times Square Hotel to Manhattan Movement Center Studios: 1.6 kilometers / 1 mile, 9 minute drive, 13 minute subway, \$10 Uber, \$14 Lyft

Distance from Sheraton Times Square Hotel to Symphony Space: 4 kilometers / 2.5 miles, 17 minute drive, 16 minute subway, \$17 Uber, \$25 Lyft

Distance from Sheraton Times Square Hotel to LaGuardia Airport: 12 kilometers / 7.5 miles, approximately 45 minute drive, \$46 uber, \$70 Lyft

Distance from Sheraton Times Square Hotel to JFK Airport: 26 kilometers / 16 miles, approximately 1 hour drive, 1 hour subway ride, \$72 Uber, \$108 Lyft

Distance from Sheraton Times Square Hotel to Newark Airport: 26 kilometers / 16 miles, approximately 52 minute drive, \$96 Uber, \$85 Lyft

Distance from Sheraton Times Square Hotel to Westchester Airport: 12 kilometers / 7.5 miles, approximately 45 minute drive, \$125 Uber, \$87 Lyft