



# YAGP Philadelphia, PA January 5 - 7, 2018

## Regional Semi-Final

### Tour Guide

Dear Friends,

We are thrilled to welcome you to the Youth America Grand Prix 19<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:regional@yagp.org).

All the best,

The YAGP Team

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## Preliminary Timeline

Registration begins 2 hours before your Competition Time.

### **Thursday, January 4, 2018:**

#### **Pending Competition**

*Kurtz Center for the Performing Arts*

*6 PM - 10 PM*

*Depending on the number of students registered.*

### **Friday, January 5, 2018:**

#### **Competition**

Kurtz Center for the Performing Arts

9 AM – 10 PM

### **Saturday, January 6, 2018:**

#### **Competition**

Kurtz Center for the Performing Arts

9 AM – 8 PM

#### **Awards Ceremony**

9:00 PM – 10:00 PM

#### **Pending**

#### **Master Classes**

*The Rock School for Dance Education*

*11 AM - 3:30 PM*

### **Sunday, January 7, 2018:**

#### **Master Classes**

The Rock School for Dance Education

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 7 - 10 days before the Event.

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## Important Information

### About the Venue:

The Semi-Final performances will take place at the William Penn Charter School, an intimate theater inside the Kurtz Center for the Performing Arts, located in a residential area about 7 miles from the Philadelphia city center. Master Classes will take place at the spacious, state-of-the-art facilities of the Rock School for Dance Education. This is one of the most competitive U.S. semi-final locations, that consistently produces top finalists at YAGP Finals.

### Theater:

**Theater:** William Penn Charter School, Kurtz Center for the Performing Arts - **NEW VENUE!**

**Address:** 3000 West School House Lane Philadelphia, PA 19144

**Stage size:** 35' x 35'

**Auditorium size:** 650

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

**Parking:** Onsite free of charge



### Studios:

**Studios:** The Rock School for Dance Education

**Address:** 1101 South Broad St., Philadelphia, PA 19147

**Parking:** On the Street - we recommend allowing extra time to find a parking spot



## Hotel:

**Hilton Philadelphia City Avenue: ★★★**

**Address:** 4200 City Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19131

**Rate:** \$144 per night

**Booking Reservation:** More information coming soon





## Distances:

**Distance between theater and studios:** 9 miles, approximately 20 minutes driving

**Distance from airport to theater:** 15 miles, approximately 30 minutes driving

**Distance from airport to studios:** 8 miles, approximately 20 minutes driving

**Distance from hotel to theater:** 3 miles, approximately 7 minutes driving

**Distance from hotel to studios:** 8 miles, approximately 30 minutes driving

**Distance from airport to hotel:** 13 miles, approximately 30 minutes driving

