



YAGP Toronto, Canada March 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

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Preliminary Timeline

Registration begins 2 hours before your Competition Time.

Friday, March 9, 2018:

Competition

Metro Toronto Convention Center
9 AM – 10 PM

Saturday, March 10, 2018:

Competition

Metro Toronto Convention Center
9 AM – 10 PM

Pending

Master Classes

*Canada's National Ballet
Throughout the Day*

Sunday, March 11, 2018:

Competition

Metro Toronto Convention Center
9 AM – 4 PM

Awards Ceremony

5 PM – 6 PM

Master Classes

Canada's National Ballet
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.

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Important Information

About the Venue:

The competition will take place at the John Bassett Theatre, which is part of the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, conveniently attached to the hotel and located within walking distance to Toronto's main attractions, including the CN Tower. Master Classes will take place at the National Ballet of Canada studios, 1 kilometer away. Both the theater and the studios are located close to the Lake Ontario waterfront, with many shops, restaurants and entertainment options in the area. Toronto has a lot of convenient flights, however please keep in mind that flights may be affected by the weather.

Theater:

Theater: Metro Toronto Convention Centre John Bassett Theatre

Address: 255 Front Street West Toronto, Ontario M5V 2W6, Canada

Stage Size: 46' x 48''

Auditorium Size: 1,232

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

Parking: Lot available for \$25/ day



Studios:

Studios: National Ballet of Canada

Address: 400 Jarvis St, Toronto, ON M4Y 2G6, Canada

Distance from theater: 3.3 km (2 miles) approximately 10- min drive

Parking: Lot available for \$22/ day



Hotel:

InterContinental Toronto Centre: ★★★★★

Address: 225 Front St W, Toronto, ON M5V 2X3, Canada

Rate: 219 CDN (plus 2.66% destination fee) per night

Booking Reservation: More information coming soon



Distances:

Distance between theater and studios: 1 mile (1.6 km) approximately 7 minutes driving or 15 minutes walking

Distance from airport to theater: 16 miles (25.7 km) approximately 30 minutes driving

Distance from airport to studio: 17 miles (27.4 km) approximately 40 minutes driving

Distance from airport to hotel: 16 miles (25.7 km) approximately 30 minutes driving

Distance from hotel to theater: Located in the same building, within walking distance

Distance from hotel to studios: 1 mile (1.6 km) approximately 7 minutes driving or 15 minutes walking

