



YAGP 20th Anniversary Season Regional Semi-Final Tour Guide

YAGP Philadelphia, PA

February 28 - March 3, 2019

Dear Friends,

We are thrilled to welcome you to the Youth America Grand Prix 20th anniversary 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 usually take place differently in each venue, depending on the size of the group and the location. Depending on additional availability of studio and theater space, we may accommodate additional participants from the waiting list, by making adjustments to the timeline and adding an additional day to the competition. 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 only accommodate a set number of participants.

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.

We strongly suggest that you only finalize travel arrangements after the first draft of the updated schedule has been posted, five to six weeks before the event.

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.

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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Important Information

About the Venue:

The Semi-Final performances will take place at the Kurtz Center for the Performing Arts, an intimate theater inside the William Penn Charter School, 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. Historically, this has been one of our 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

Website: <http://www.penncharter.com/page.cfm?p=2359>

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 the Theater

Parking: Onsite, free of charge



Studios:

Studios: The Rock School for Dance Education

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

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

Parking: On the Street - we recommend allowing extra time to find a parking spot. Additionally, The Rock School Parking structure recently opened. It is located at 1225 Washington Avenue for \$5/day.

Lunch: Lunch is available at the school à la carte



Hotel:

Hilton Philadelphia City Avenue: ★★★

Address: 4200 City Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19131

Website: <http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/pennsylvania/hilton-philadelphia-city-avenue-PHLPHHF/index.html>

YAGP Special Rate: \$119

Distance from Theater: 3 miles, approximately 10 minutes drive

Distance from Studios: 8 miles, approximately 25 minutes drive

Parking: \$5 self-parking, \$10 valet parking

Breakfast: \$15.50 per person

WiFi: complimentary for Hilton Honors members

Shuttle: N/A

Book By: 02/07/19

Reservation method: Call 1-800-HILTONS (445-8667) or [Book Online](#) to receive the YAGP Group rate



Hotel Restaurant

Delmonico's Steakhouse - \$\$, on site

Hours of Operation: Thur & Fri 6:30 AM-10:00 PM, Sat & Sun 7:00 AM-11:00 AM

Website:

<http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/pennsylvania/hilton-philadelphia-city-avenue-PHLPHHF/dining/index.html>

Meals Served: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Cuisine: American

Phone Number: (215) 969-3000

Polo Lounge - \$\$, on site

Hours of Operation: Thur & Sun 11:00 AM-12:00 AM, Fri & Sat 11:00 AM-1:00 AM

Website:

<http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/pennsylvania/hilton-philadelphia-city-avenue-PHLPHHF/dining/index.html>

Meals Served: Lunch, Dinner

Cuisine: American

Phone Number: (215) 969-3000

Dining:

Restaurants near studios, theatres, and hotels can be found by using yelp.com or google.com/maps and entering the address of the venue.

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Preliminary Timeline
(10/19/18)

Thursday, February 28, 2019:

Competition

Kurtz Center for the Performing Arts
5 PM – 10 PM

Friday, March 1, 2019:

Competition

Kurtz Center for the Performing Arts
6 PM – 10 PM

Pending

Master Classes

The Rock School for Dance Education
3 PM - 7:30 PM

Saturday, March 2, 2019:

Competition

Kurtz Center for the Performing Arts
10 AM – 8:30 PM

Master Classes

The Rock School for Dance Education
Throughout the Day

Sunday, March 3, 2019:

Competition

Kurtz Center for the Performing Arts
11 AM – 2 PM

Awards Ceremony

5 PM – 6 PM

Master Classes

The Rock School for Dance Education
10 AM – 3:30 PM

- Due to auditorium size, there will be limited audience capacity for the Awards Ceremony - teachers and 1 parent per child rule will apply
- Due to limited size of the theater, there will be a limit on the number of Ensembles registering for this location
- Registration begins 1.5 hours before your Competition Time.
- 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.

Distances:

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

Distance from airport to theater: 15 miles, approximately 25 minutes driving

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

Distance from hotel to theater: 3 miles, approximately 10 minutes driving

Distance from hotel to studios: 8 miles, approximately 25 minutes driving

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