



YAGP 2020

Regional Semi-Final Tour Guide

YAGP Philadelphia, PA

January 10-12, 2020

Dear Friends,

We are thrilled to welcome you to the Youth America Grand Prix 2020 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 Lang Performing Arts Center, located on the Swarthmore College campus. There is a rehearsal hall onsite at the theater. Master Classes will take place at the state-of-the-art facilities of the Rock School for Dance Education. The theater is located in a suburban area, a 30-minute drive from the Rock School for Dance Education, which is situated a few minutes' drive from historical downtown Philadelphia. This is one of our best-attended and most competitive U.S. semi-final locations, that consistently produces top finalists at YAGP New York City Finals.

Theater:

Theater: Lang Performing Arts Center, Swarthmore College

Website: <https://www.swarthmore.edu/lang-performing-arts-center>

Address: 500 College Avenue, Swarthmore, PA 19081

Stage size: 40' x 29'

Auditorium size: 709 seats

Nearby restaurants: A variety of options within 3 miles drive

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: Street parking - we recommend allowing extra time to find a parking spot

Lunch: Lunch is available at the school cafe, à la carte



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Preliminary Timeline

(9-11-19)

Friday, January 10, 2020:

Competition

Lang Performing Arts Center
11 AM – 10 PM

Saturday, January 11, 2020:

Competition

Lang Performing Arts Center
9 AM – 7 PM

Awards Ceremony

8:30 PM – 9:30 PM

Sunday, January 12, 2020:

Competition - pending

Lang Performing Arts Center
9 AM – 6 PM

Master Classes

The Rock School for Dance Education
10 AM – 2:30 PM

- **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: 18 miles, approximately 30-minute drive

Distance from airport to the theater: 11 miles, approximately 15-minute drive

Distance from airport to studios: 8 miles, approximately 17 minutes driving

Distance from Philadelphia's main train station (30th St station) to the theater:
17.5 miles, approximately 23-minute drive

Distance from Swarthmore train station to theater: 0.3 miles, approximately 8-minute walk

Distance from Philadelphia's main train station (30th St station) to the studios:
2.2 miles, approximately 10-minute drive