



YAGP

Regional Semi-Final Tour Guide

YAGP Chicago, IL – March 12-14, 2021

Dear Friends,

We are thrilled to welcome you to the Youth America Grand Prix 2021 competition season! With this new season comes a new reality to which the entire arts community is adjusting, including YAGP. The health and safety of our participants remains our top priority, and YAGP will continue to follow all guidelines issued by the U.S. government, state and local/city governments, and theater policies.

Please note the following items of importance regarding the 2021 season:

- Participants will be divided into smaller groups spread out throughout each day's schedule.
- As capacity limits for each venue will be dictated by the theaters and each state's guidelines at the time of the event, measures will be in place to help control the number of people entering the lobby and other areas of the theater at any given time.
- All Master Classes will be conducted virtually, two weeks prior to each semi-final.
- The Awards Ceremony for each semi-final will be conducted virtually following the competition.
- To assist students who were unable to find professional placement this year as a result of the coronavirus pandemic, the Senior Age Division will be extended to include dancers age 20.
- While costumes have never been a requirement to participate in YAGP, we wish to further emphasize that students are welcome to compete in basic dance clothing and do not need to invest in costumes for the 2021 season.
- In the event of cancellations due to COVID-19, registrations will be moved to an online competition instead, with any difference in fees refunded.

Further adjustments may be made throughout the season per any new guidelines issued. YAGP will, of course, continue to communicate any such changes or other important information regarding the upcoming season to its participants. In the meantime, we invite you to peruse this Venue Guide for a preliminary timeline and venue information, to assist in planning your schedule and choosing the right semi-final location for you. For those not able to travel this season, we will also have a virtual competition option available – please stay tuned for more information.

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 category performances, followed by juniors, seniors, and ensembles – though this order may differ in each location. Depending on theater availability and capacity, we may be able to accommodate 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 any “pending” dates in the preliminary timeline below, it means that the venue has no additional 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, about five to six weeks before the event.

VENUE

Here you will find details about all semi-final event facilities. The number of seats in the theater can typically 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. We look forward to seeing you during the YAGP 2021 season. Please do not hesitate to contact our regional office at regional@yagp.org with any additional questions.

All the best,
The YAGP Team

YAGP 2021 Chicago, IL

Important Information

About the Venue:

The Lund Auditorium is located on Dominican University's beautiful and historic campus, in a suburban area, 12 miles from downtown Chicago. The theater stage is on the smaller side and has a limited backstage capacity. The O'Hare Airport is a major travel hub, with hundreds of available flights. Keep in mind -- there is little available accommodation near the theater, with most hotels located in the O'Hare airport area within a few miles' drive, making this a great location for those who don't mind driving.

Theater:

Theater: Lund Auditorium at Dominican University Performing Arts Center

Address: 7900 West Division St. River Forest, IL 60305

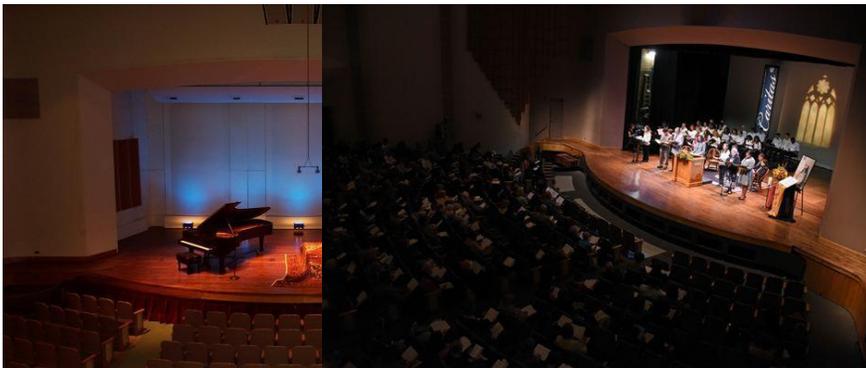
Website: <http://events.dom.edu/performing-arts/about>

Stage Size: 33' x 24'

Auditorium Size: 1,170 seats

Nearby restaurants: A variety of options within a few miles' drive from Theater

Parking: Onsite free of charge



Hotel:

Springhill Suites ★★★

Address: 8101 W Higgins Rd, Chicago, IL 60631

Phone contact: (773) 867-0000

Website: [link](#)

YAGP special guest rate for 1 double guest room: \$94

Distance from hotel to the theater: 6.7 miles, approximately 18 min drive

Parking: Complimentary

Wifi: Complimentary

Shuttle: Complimentary (When guests need to be picked up from the Airport they go to Bus and Shuttle Center door #2. Please call the hotel once the guest is there & ready for pick up)

Book By: 2/25/21

Reservation method: Please use our special booking link here [LINK](#). Individuals can also call the Hotel directly at (773) 867-0000 to make reservations



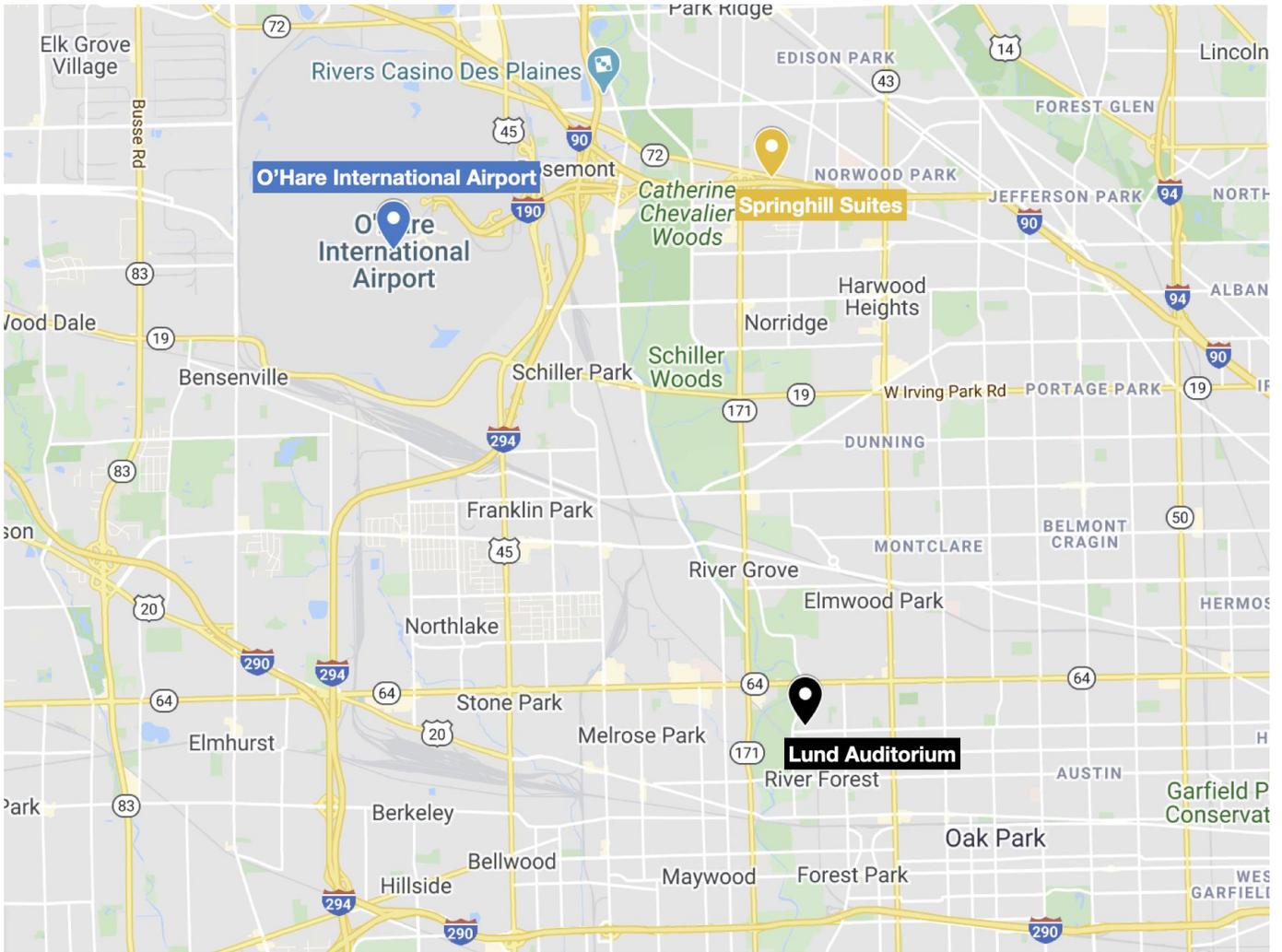
Distances:

Distance from airport to theater: 10 miles, approximately 15 minute drive

Distance from airport to hotel: 2.9 miles, approximately 5 min drive

Distance from theater to hotel: 6.8 miles, approximately 18 minute drive

Map



Dining

Restaurants near studios, theatres, and hotels can be found by using [yelp.com](https://www.yelp.com) or [google.com/maps](https://www.google.com/maps) and entering the address of the venue.



Friday, March 12, 2021

Schedule of Events

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Registration (45 min before your scheduled time!)

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Competition Schedule - Soloists

1:10 PM	Theater Opens
2:10 PM - 2:20 PM	Open Stage Pre-Competitive Classical Group 1A Ages 9-11
2:20 PM - 2:30 PM	Open Stage Pre-Competitive Classical Group 1B Age 11
2:30 PM - 3:50 PM	Pre-Competitive Classical Competition Groups 1A & 1B Ages 9-11
3:50 PM - 4:00 PM	Open Stage Pre-Competitive Contemporary Group 1A Ages 9-11 <i>then</i> Open Stage Pre-Competitive Contemporary Group 1B Age 11
4:00 PM - 5:20 PM	Pre-Competitive Contemporary Competition Groups 1A & 1B Ages 9-11
5:30 PM - 6:00 PM	Intermission
6:00 PM - 6:15 PM	Open Stage Junior Classical Group 1A Age 12
6:15 PM - 6:30 PM	Open Stage Junior Classical Group 1B Age 12
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Junior Classical Competition Groups 1A & 1B Age 12
7:30 PM - 7:40 PM	Open Stage Junior Contemporary Group 1A Age 12 Open Stage Junior Contemporary Group 1B Age 12
7:45 PM - 8:40 PM	Junior Contemporary Competition Groups 1A & 1B Age 12



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Competition Schedule - Ensembles

1:10 PM	Theater Opens
2:00 PM	Open Stage (Test of Time - LOVV The Dance Studio)
2:05 PM	Competition (Test of Time - LOVV The Dance Studio)
2:10 PM	Open Stage (Dreaming in Color - Valentina's School of Ballet; Our Spirits - Indiana Ballet Conservatory; Manu and the Two Girls from La Bayadere - The Academy of Dance Arts)
2:30 PM	Competition (Dreaming in Color - Valentina's School of Ballet; Our Spirits - Indiana Ballet Conservatory; Manu and the Two Girls from La Bayadere - The Academy of Dance Arts)
3:50 PM	Open Stage (Screen Fatigue - Valentina's School of Ballet; Flute Dance from La Fille Mal Gardee - Dance Academy of Libertyville)
4:00 PM	Competition (Screen Fatigue - Valentina's School of Ballet; Flute Dance from La Fille Mal Gardee - Dance Academy of Libertyville)
5:20 PM	Open Stage (Marche - The Academy of Dance Arts)
5:25 PM	Competition (Marche - The Academy of Dance Arts)
6:00 PM	Open Stage (Fragments - Valentina's School of Ballet; Intrada - The Academy of Dance Arts)
6:30 PM	Competition (Fragments - Valentina's School of Ballet; Intrada - The Academy of Dance Arts)
7:30 PM	Open Stage (Spring - Valentina's School of Ballet; Ocean and the Stone - LOVV The Dance Studio)
7:40 PM	Competition (Spring - Valentina's School of Ballet; Ocean and the Stone - LOVV The Dance Studio)
8:40 PM	Open Stage (Waltz of the Flowers - Valentina's School of Ballet)
8:45 PM	Competition (Waltz of the Flowers - Valentina's School of Ballet)



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Competition Schedule - Soloists

9:10 AM

Theater Opens

10:10 AM - 10:20 AM	Open Stage Junior Classical Group 2A Age 13
10:20 AM - 10:20 AM	Open Stage Junior Classical Group 2A Age 13
10:20 AM - 11:45 AM	Junior Classical Competition Groups 2A & 2B Age 13
11:45 AM - 11:55 AM	Open Stage Junior Contemporary Group 2A Age 13 <i>then</i> Open Stage Junior Contemporary Group 2B Age 13
11:55 AM - 1:00 PM	Junior Contemporary Competition Groups 2A & 1B Age 13
1:10 PM - 1:40 PM	Intermission
1:40 PM - 1:55 PM	Open Stage Junior Classical Group 3A Ages 13-14
1:55 PM - 2:10 PM	Open Stage Junior Classical Group 3B Age 14
2:10 PM - 3:10 PM	Junior Classical Competition Groups 3A & 3B Ages 13-14
3:10 PM - 3:20 PM	Open Stage Junior Contemporary Group 3A Ages 13-14 <i>then</i> Open Stage Junior Contemporary Group 3B Age 14
3:20 PM - 4:20 PM	Junior Contemporary Competition Groups 3A & 3B Ages 13-14
4:20 PM - 4:30 PM	Open Stage Junior Classical Group 4A Age 14
4:30 PM - 4:40 PM	Open Stage Junior Classical Group 4B Age 14 & Junior Men
4:40 PM - 5:45 PM	Junior Classical Competition Groups 4A & 4B Age 14 & Junior Men
5:45 PM - 5:55 PM	Open Stage Junior Contemporary Group 4 Age 14
5:55 PM - 6:35 PM	Junior Contemporary Competition Group 4 Age 14
6:35 PM - 6:45 PM	Open Stage Senior Classical Group 1A Age 15
6:45 PM - 6:55 PM	Open Stage Senior Classical Group 1B Ages 15-16
6:55 PM - 8:05 PM	Senior Classical Competition Groups 1A & 1B Ages 15-16
8:05 PM - 8:15 PM	Open Stage Senior Contemporary Group 1A Age 15 Open Stage Senior Contemporary Group 1B Age 15
8:15 PM - 9:15 PM	Senior Contemporary Competition Groups 1A & 1B Age 15



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9:10 AM	Theater Opens
10:00 AM	Open Stage (The Heaviness We Carry - Valentina's School of Ballet)
10:05 AM	Competition (The Heaviness We Carry - Valentina's School of Ballet)
10:10 AM	Open Stage (Faerie Mischief - Dance Academy of Libertyville; To Each His Own - LoMastro Performing Arts Academy)
10:30 AM	Competition (Faerie Mischief - Dance Academy of Libertyville; To Each His Own - LoMastro Performing Arts Academy)
11:45 AM	Open Stage (Gravel Road - Valentina's School of Ballet; Two Gypsies - The Academy of Dance Arts)
11:55 AM	Competition (Gravel Road - Valentina's School of Ballet; Two Gypsies - The Academy of Dance Arts)
1:00 PM	Open Stage (Etched - Valentina's School of Ballet)
1:05 PM	Competition (Etched - Valentina's School of Ballet)
1:40 PM	Open Stage (Ready, Set, Let Go - Valentina's School of Ballet; Spanish from Swan Lake - Chicago Ballet Conservatory)
2:10 PM	Competition (Ready, Set, Let Go - Valentina's School of Ballet; Spanish from Swan Lake - Chicago Ballet Conservatory)
3:10 PM	Open Stage (Brace for Impact - LOVV The Dance Studio; Enchantment - The Academy of Dance Arts)
3:20 PM	Competition (Brace for Impact - LOVV The Dance Studio; Enchantment - The Academy of Dance Arts)
4:20 PM	Open Stage (All In - Dance Academy of Libertyville; Incandescent - LOVV The Dance Studio; The Slammer - Chicago Ballet Conservatory)
4:40 PM	Competition (All In - Dance Academy of Libertyville; Incandescent - LOVV The Dance Studio; The Slammer - Chicago Ballet Conservatory)
5:45 PM	Open Stage (My Way - Storm Dance Alliance; Entreat Me Not - Ratio Dance)
5:55 PM	Competition (My Way - Storm Dance Alliance; Entreat Me Not - Ratio Dance)
6:35 PM	Open Stage (Talks to Angels - LOVV The Dance Studio; Awakening of Flora - Chicago Ballet Conservatory)
6:55 PM	Competition (Talks to Angels - LOVV The Dance Studio; Awakening of Flora - Chicago Ballet Conservatory)



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- 8:05 PM Open Stage (Skyward - Dance Academy of Libertyville; A Conversation - Valentina's School of Ballet)
- 8:15 PM **Competition (Skyward - Dance Academy of Libertyville; A Conversation - Valentina's School of Ballet)**
- 9:15 PM Open Stage (Phases - Valentina's School of Ballet)
- 9:20 PM **Competition (Phases - Valentina's School of Ballet)**



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Competition Schedule - Soloists

9:10 AM

Theater Opens

10:10 AM - 10:20 AM	Open Stage Senior Classical Group 2A Age 16
10:20 AM - 10:30 AM	Open Stage Senior Classical Group 2B Ages 16-17
10:30 AM - 11:50 AM	Senior Classical Competition Groups 2A & 2B Ages 16-17
11:50 AM - 12:00 PM	Open Stage Senior Contemporary Group 2A Age 16 <i>then</i> Open Stage Senior Contemporary Group 2B Ages 16-17
12:00 PM - 1:05 PM	Senior Contemporary Competition Groups 2A & 2B Ages 16-17
1:15 PM - 1:45 PM	Intermission
1:45 PM - 2:00 PM	Open Stage Senior Classical Group 3A Ages 17-18
2:00 PM - 2:15 PM	Open Stage Senior Classical Group 3B Ages 18-19 & Senior Men
2:15 PM - 3:25 PM	Senior Classical Competition Groups 3A & 3B Ages 17-19 & Senior Men
3:25 PM - 3:35 PM	Open Stage Senior Contemporary Group 3A Age 17 <i>then</i> Open Stage Senior Contemporary Group 3B Ages 17-19 & Senior Men
3:35 PM - 4:35 PM	Senior Contemporary Competition Groups 3A & 3B Ages 17-19 & Senior Men



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Competition Schedule - Ensembles

9:10 AM	Theater Opens
10:00 AM	Open Stage (Gayane - Valentina's School of Ballet)
10:05 AM	Competition (Gayane - Valentina's School of Ballet)
10:10 AM	Open Stage (Both Sides - Indiana Ballet Conservatory; Between - LOVV The Dance Studio)
10:30 AM	Competition (Both Sides - Indiana Ballet Conservatory; Between - LOVV The Dance Studio)
11:50 AM	Open Stage (Motion - Main Stage Academy of Dance; Fighter - LOVV The Dance Studio)
12:00 PM	Competition (Motion - Main Stage Academy of Dance; Fighter - LOVV The Dance Studio)
1:05 PM	Open Stage (Rhapsody in Blue (Excerpt) - A&A Ballet)
1:10 PM	Competition (Rhapsody in Blue (Excerpt) - A&A Ballet)
1:45 PM	Open Stage (Le Corsaire, Act III Pas De Deux - Main Stage Academy of Dance; Enough - Chicago City Classical Ballet)
2:15 PM	Competition (Le Corsaire, Act III Pas De Deux - Main Stage Academy of Dance; Enough - Chicago City Classical Ballet)
3:25 PM	Open Stage (How Far Away - School of Eisenhower Dance Detroit; Swans - A&A Ballet)
3:35 PM	Competition (How Far Away - School of Eisenhower Dance Detroit; Swans - A&A Ballet)
4:35 PM	Open Stage (Garment - Valentina's School of Ballet)
4:40 PM	Competition (Garment - Valentina's School of Ballet)



YAGP Zoom Master Class Schedule

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Sunday, March 7, 2021, Central time
(only for YAGP Chicago March participants)

Time 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM 11:45 AM - 1:15 PM	Pre-Competitive & Junior Ages 12 & Under All Contemporary Repertoire Classical Technique
Time 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM 11:45 AM - 1:15 PM	Junior Age 13 All Classical Technique Contemporary Repertoire
Time 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	All Participants Conditioning
Time 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM 4:45 PM - 6:15 PM	Junior & Senior Ages 14-15 All Contemporary Repertoire Classical Technique
Time 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM 4:45 PM - 6:15 PM	Senior Ages 16 & Up All Classical Technique Contemporary Repertoire

Invitations will be sent no later than 1 hour before class to the **REGISTRATION EMAIL** noted on your DanceCompGenie account. If this is a school email address, please note that school directors/administrators will need to forward the invitation to each of their registered dancers for this semi-final.

The Zoom waiting room will open 20 min before class.

IMPORTANT: Please enter the waiting room using the **registered student's FULL NAME**. For security reasons, participants will not be granted access to the class under names that do not match their registration.