

YAGP Regional Semi-Final Tour Guide YAGP Phoenix, AZ - January 13 - 15, 2023

Dear Friends,

We are thrilled to welcome you to the Youth America Grand Prix 2023 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. Please comeback to this guide to check on updates.

The breakdown will be made clear in the final timeline and detailed schedule. The final timeline with detailed schedule will be posted 7 days before the event.

We strongly suggest that you only finalize travel arrangements after the first draft of the updated schedule has been posted, 30 days before the event.

Each semi-finalist is invited to participate in one workshop, consisting of two 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

YAGP 2023 Phoenix, AZ Important Information

About the Venue:

The HCPA is located in Gilbert, Arizona, conveniently close to the San Tan 202 freeway. The welcoming, modern architecture sets the tone for the professional event that you want to present. The HCPA offers two spaces. The 1235 seat, fully equipped Concert Hall and the intimate 186 seat Little Theatre are connected by a spacious lobby that wraps around half of the facility and features dramatic floor to ceiling windows. Master Classes usually held at Ballet Arizona.

Theater:

Theater: Higley Center for the Performing Arts Address: 4132 E Pecos Rd, Gilbert, AZ 85295 Website: <u>http://higleycenter.org/</u> Stage Size: 40' x 30' Auditorium Size: 1,235 seats

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

Parking: Main parking is located on the west side of the complex. Additional parking is available east of the Center and north of the adjacent high school.



Studios:

Studios: Ballet Arizona Address: 2835 Washington St, Phoenix, AZ 85034 Website: <u>https://balletaz.org</u> Parking: Onsite free of charge



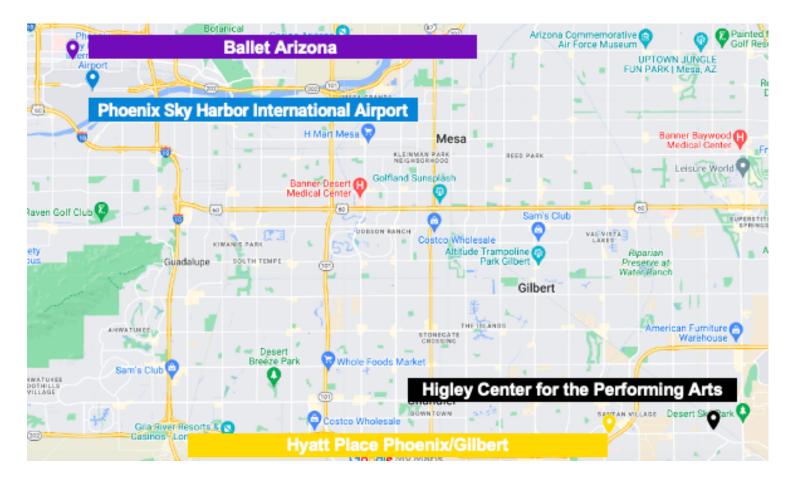
Hotel:

Hyatt Place Phoenix/Gilbert ★ ★ ★ Address: 3275 S Market St, Gilbert, AZ 85297 Phone contact: (480) 899-5900 Website: LINK YAGP special guest rate for 1 guest room: \$169 Distance from hotel to the theater: 3.4 miles, approximately 7 minutes Parking: Complimentary Wifi: Complimentary Breakfast: Complimentary Shuttle: No Airport Shuttle Book By: 1/12/23

Reservation method: Please use our special booking link here: <u>LINK</u> Or call the hotel directly at **(480) 899-5900** and mention YAGP to get the special rate



Map:



Distances:

Distance from airport to theater: 27 miles, approximately 34 minute drive (Sky Harbor)

Distance from airport to studios: 3 miles, approximately 7 minute drive (Sky Harbor)

Distance from airport to hotel: 24.6 miles, approximately 24 minute drive (Sky Harbor)

Distance from hotel to theater: 3.4 miles, approximately 7 minute drive **Distance from hotel to studios:** 27.6 miles, approximately 29 minute drive **Distance from theater to studios:** 30.7 miles, approximately 33 minute drive