

YAGP 2023 Regional Semi-Final Tour Guide YAGP Pittsburgh, PA – March 9-12, 2023

Dear Friends,

2.28.23

Dear Participants, Parents, and Teachers,

Please be aware that the venue for the YAGP 2023 Pittsburgh Semi-Final has changed, due to an accident onstage that occurred in the Playhouse Theater today that caused severe damage to the stage, which will take several weeks to be repaired. Please see the below statement from the theater with further information.

An unfortunate incident disrupted Friday night's performance of "Newsies" in the PNC Theatre. Three Point Park University students were injured when a piece of scenery fell and a water pipe burst on the stage. Fortunately, none of those injuries required hospitalization, and for that, we are grateful. Both internal and insurance-related investigations are being done to assess the situation, as well as the timeline for repairs in the PNC Theatre.

However, we are very pleased to inform everyone that another theater has been secured and our event will now take place at the **Byham Theater** in Pittsburgh, just a 10 minute walk from Point Park University.

As this may affect some of the scheduling, please see an updated schedule-Timeline with the latest details. We appreciate your understanding and look forward to seeing you all soon!

All the best, The YAGP Team

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 Tea

YAGP 2023 Pittsburgh, PA Important Information

About the Venue:

A historical landmark in the center of Downtown Pittsburgh, the Byham Theater is one of the most popular venues to visit in the area. Built in 1903, it has been home to numerous theater, dance and musical productions.

Theater:

Theater: Byham Theater Pittsburgh

Address: 101 6th St, Pittsburgh, PA 15222 Website: https://www.thebyhamtheater.com/

Stage Size: 36 X 40

Auditorium Size: 1300 seats

Nearby restaurants: A variety of options within a short distance

Parking: No on-site parking available.

A variety of parking garages available a short distance from the venue.

Theater Square Parking Garage: https://parkpgh.org/lots/23
120 7th Street Pittsburgh , PA 15222 - 2 min walk from theater

\$22 a day





Studios:

George Rowland White Performance Center

Address: 201 Wood St in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222 Directions: https://www.pointpark.edu/about/directions/index

Website: https://www.pointpark.edu/academics/schools/copa/copadeptsmajors/dance/facilities

Hotel:

Embassy Suites by Hilton Pittsburgh Downtown ★★★★

Address: 535 Smithfield St, Pittsburgh, PA 15222

Phone contact: (412) 338-2200

Website: LINK

YAGP special guest rate for 1 guest room: 2 Room Suite with 1 King Bed - \$119.00

2 Room Larger Suite with 2 Queen Beds - \$129.00

Distance from hotel to the theater: 0.4 miles, approximately 4 minute drive

Parking: Valet Parking Available for \$35/car

Wifi: Complimentary for Members (free sign up)

Breakfast: Complimentary

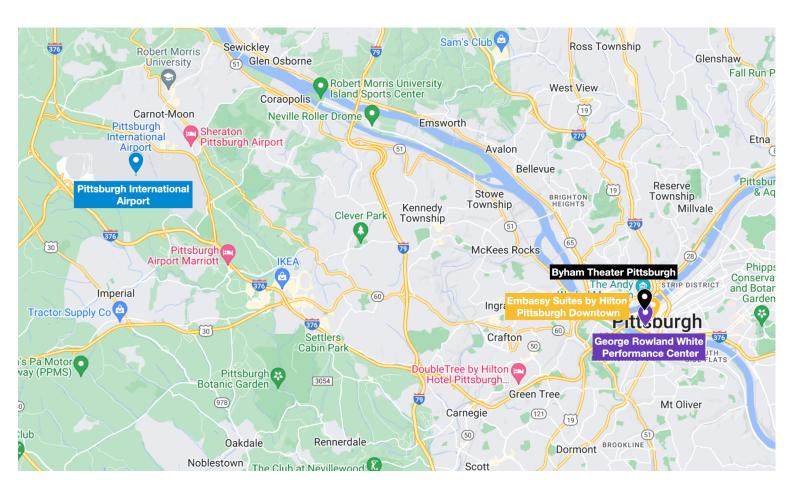
Book By: 2/6/23

Reservation method: Please use our special booking link here: LINK Or call the hotel

directly at (412) 338-2200 and mention YAGP to get the special rate.



Map:



Distances:

Distance from airport to theater: 17 miles, approximately 29 minute drive Distance from airport to studios: 17 miles, approximately 27 minute drive Distance from hotel to theater: 0.4 miles, approximately 27 minute drive Distance from hotel to studios: 0.3 miles, approximately 4 minute drive Distance from theater to studios: 0.5 miles, approximately 5 minute drive