



YAGP 2023

Regional Semi-Final Tour Guide

YAGP Houston, TX-February 16-19, 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

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Important Information

About the Venue:

The historic Cullen Performance Hall is located on the campus of University of Houston, less than 15 minutes drive from Houston's downtown area. Master Classes usually take place at Houston Ballet's state-of-the-art facilities, featuring some of the largest and best-equipped studios in the country. The studios are well located in the very heart of Houston's Theater District. There is a hotel close to campus, but please keep in mind that it has limited availability. This is a great semi-final venue choice for those who are planning to fly: the Houston Airport is one of the biggest hubs in the country and has many convenient, connecting flights from virtually anywhere.

Theater:

Theater: Cullen Performance Hall

Address: 4800 Calhoun Road, Houston, TX 77004

Website: <http://www.uh.edu/cullen-performance-hall/>

Stage Size: 36' X 30'

Auditorium Size: 1,531 seats

Nearby restaurants: A variety of options within a short walking distance from Theater **Parking:** Welcome Center Garage, [4400 University Dr, Houston, TX 77204](http://www.uh.edu/cullen-performance-hall/) \$10/day cash only, roughly 8 minute walk to Cullen Performance Hall



Studios: Pending

Distances:

Distance from airport to theater: 24 miles, approximately 37 minute drive

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Preliminary Timeline

(updated on 6/4/23, schedule subject to change without notice)

Thursday, February 16, 2023:

Competition – Pending

Cullen Performance Hall

5 PM – 9 PM

Friday, February 17, 2023:

Competition

Cullen Performance Hall

11 AM – 10 PM

Saturday, February 18, 2023:

Competition

Cullen Performance Hall

9 AM – 10 PM

Master Classes - Pending

Sunday, February 19, 2023:

Competition – Pending

Cullen Performance Hall

Master Classes - Pending

- Registration begins 45 min before your Competition Time.
- Please note this schedule is Tentative and Subject to Change
- The first draft of the Timeline will be posted 4 weeks before the Event
- The final Timeline will be posted 7 days before the Event.