

Your LAMDA Year at The Beacon

A term-by-term road map of what to expect — from first lesson to final bow

AUTUMN TERM

September — December

Grade & Script Selection

- Assessing each student's level and experience
- Selecting the right LAMDA grade for each individual
- Choosing pieces, characters and poets that suit the student

Foundation Skills

- Building core communication: voice, diction and expression
- Exploring pieces in depth — finding the story and character
- Learning scripts and beginning to make them our own
- Movement, physicality and presence on stage

Performance Preparation

- Bringing pieces fully to life
- Polishing delivery, timing and emotional truth
- First confident run-throughs of complete pieces

SPRING TERM

January — March

Second Script Selection (if required)

- Some grades require two contrasting pieces
- Finding the ideal second piece to complement the first
- Getting to know new characters and texts quickly

Knowledge Section

- Understanding Areas, Levels and Semiotics
- Exploring audience, context and performance purpose
- Building exam knowledge alongside practical piece work
- Q&A practice to build confidence and fluency

Mock Exam Preparation

- Running lessons in full exam conditions
- Polishing every detail to exam standard
- Building exam-day confidence and familiarity

★ Main Exam — March ★

- The main exam sitting for most students
- Held at The Beacon — date confirmed in the autumn term

Entries close 6 weeks before the exam date

SUMMER TERM

April — July

★ Summer Exam — May ★

- A later sitting for those who benefit from more time
- School commitments, or earlier in their LAMDA journey
- Same standard — just a bit more runway to get there!

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Stage Workshop Programme

- Improvisation — thinking on your feet and ensemble play
- Stage Combat (age-appropriate and great fun!)
- Scene studies and script work
- A relaxed, exploratory and playful approach

★ LAMDA Showcase ★

- Students share a piece of work from their year
- Open to parents, family and fellow students
- A celebration of everything achieved — relaxed and joyful!