



MusicWorks|StageWorks

Open invitation to Guelph's youth

River Run Centre, the Guelph Youth Council of the City of Guelph and TD Bank Group have teamed up again to offer **MusicWorks|StageWorks**, an exciting and unique hands-on performing arts mentorship program focused on the art of putting on a professional-style show.

Who can apply

All youth, ages 13 to 19, interested in gaining new skills and taking part in a public performance are invited to complete and submit the ARTIST APPLICATION FORM by Monday, February 29, 2016 (All content in performances must be suitable for a family-friendly audience).

How to apply

Applications are being accepted online at riverrun.ca/MWSWapply. Anyone with questions about applying should contact Jen Rafter at 519-822-1260 extension 2629 or jen.rafter@guelph.ca. Application deadline is Monday, February 29, 2016.

Selection Process

A jury comprised of members of Guelph Youth Council and River Run staff will assess the applications and determine the program and line-up of performers. As this is a hands-on learning opportunity, priority will be given to first-time applicants.

Program

River Run technical, programming and marketing staff will work with two teams of students. Participants will learn about the various aspects of building a successful show such as staging, flow, self-promotion, transitions and professionalism. The program is inclusive of music, theatre, spoken word, dance, short film and comedy.

Location

Rehearsals and performances will take place at River Run Centre in the Co-operators Hall.

Rehearsal and Performance Schedule

Each performer or performing group is required to commit to one of the rehearsal and performance schedules below (rehearsals and performances are after school hours and in the evenings).

- Tuesday, **April 12** – mentoring and technical rehearsal
- Tuesday, **April 19** – mentoring and dress rehearsal
- Tuesday, **May 3** – **free public performance**

OR

- Wednesday, **April 13** – mentoring and technical rehearsal
- Wednesday, **April 20** – mentoring and dress rehearsal
- Wednesday, **May 4** – **free public performance**

Roles

River Run staff will also provide mentorship in technical, front of house and marketing services to members of Guelph Youth Council, who will in turn, provide support in these areas.

