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'Giving YOUTH a voice'

*'Transforming the quality of
young people's lives since 2010'*

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**Diverse Voices is a
performing arts in
education company,
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young people's lives since
2010.**

Our purpose is to empower young people to be responsible for creating a positive social change, as well as inspiring those who are passionate about the arts to pursue their passion.

We do this by providing high quality performing arts and sports programs, giving young people a platform to have their voices heard.

We work extensively with London schools, pupil referral units, youth offending teams, community groups, local authorities and regional organisations.

All of our facilitators are enhanced CRB/DBS checked and First Aid trained, as well as covered by public liability insurance.



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PERFORMING ARTS TRAINING & WORKSHOPS

SUITABLE FOR: PRIMARY | SECONDARY | PUPIL REFERRAL
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Diverse Voices offer a range of programs suitable for during school hours, after school clubs, youth clubs and half term programs. We offer educational based workshops using the performing arts to address relevant issues, as well as skill based workshops aimed at exploring a specific art form. We work closely with your team to create a programme unique to your specific requirements.

DANCE

Diverse Voices dance workshops develop the participants' confidence, fitness and health. Young people receive training in a range of different styles. Our workshops are inclusive regardless of age and ability.

DRAMA

Diverse Voices drama workshops are aimed at nurturing aspiring talent, while providing an outlet for participants to creatively express themselves. We offer training in various dramatic techniques, developing young peoples' skills and confidence in performing.

We also specialise in addressing key issues that are of high relevance to our clients. Exploring these themes through drama and role-play creates a safe environment where participants can reflect on situations they may be faced with in their lives.

YOUTH PRODUCTION

Through our youth production projects young people have the opportunity to combine different art forms and skillsets to showcase their talents making a short film or live stage performance.

The sense of achievement from accomplishing a successful production often inspires the participants to want to pursue the subject further. It is an honour to be partly responsible for helping young people realise their potential, through igniting their passion for the performing arts.

COMMUNITY COHESION

We are always expanding our knowledge of key subject areas that support the national curriculum, especially those sensitive topics which are often hard to address effectively with young people. We develop projects that promote citizenship and community cohesion within and outside of school. We work closely with our clients to train and research the topic thoroughly, allowing us to be informative in an engaging and interactive way.

Subjects we cover include

- **Gang Culture**
- **Sexual Health**
- **Drugs and their effects**
- **Anti-Bullying**
- **Social Responsibilities**
- **Identity**
- **Healthy Relationships**



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THEATRE IN EDUCATION

SUITABLE FOR: PRIMARY
| SECONDARY | PUPIL REFERRAL UNIT | SIXTH FORM

Diverse Voices use Theatre in Education (TIE) as a tool for relating to young people and empowering them to make decisions that will bring about positive outcomes in their lives. Our theatre pieces are a fun way for young people to learn in a safe environment.

The productions are accompanied by workshops that explore the material raised in the play through drama-based activities including hot seating and role-play. Our plays use comedy to relate to the audience while tackling a variety of serious issues. Some of the topics we address are, postcode wars, bullying, peer pressure, online safety and healthy relationships.

As well as our already established productions, our team of talented actors are trained to also research and devise original pieces of drama to cover any specific issues that you feel need to be addressed with your young people.

THE AFTER PARTY

SECONDARY | SIXTH FORM | PUPIL REFERRAL UNITS

'The After Party' is a piece of forum theatre that focuses on peer pressure in various situations. Our aim is to draw out all the myths around the issues in the play and equip them with the facts and tools to make the right decisions in the future. This play uses comedy to relate to address a variety of serious issues including teenage pregnancy, sexually transmitted infections, gang conflict, knife crime and the effects of drugs (alcohol and cannabis).

BEAT IT

SECONDARY | SIXTH FORM | PUPIL REFERRAL UNITS

'Beat It' is a piece of forum theatre that focuses on identifying sexually harmful behaviour. A variety of serious issues are addressed including sexually aggressive behaviour, ideals of beauty, gender stereotypes and the pressure to conform to them, the influence of media and healthy relationships. The piece was devised by staff trained at identifying sexually harmful behaviour in response to the ever increasing problem of the sexualisation of youth.

STAY SAFE

PRIMARY | SECONDARY

'Stay Safe' is a piece of forum theatre that is an adaption of 'Beat It' tailored for younger years. It explores the themes of healthy relationships, online safety and ideals of beauty, whilst raising awareness of the laws, risks and consequences surrounding these subjects. Suitable for Years 6 - Years 8, the characters in the play reflect situations young people are likely to be faced with, whilst empowering them to make the right choices.



HEARTLESS

PRIMARY | SECONDARY | PUPIL REFERRAL UNITS

'Heartless' focuses on bullying in various situations. Our aim is to inform the pupils on the difference between teasing and bullying, the reasons behind it, the effects upon those involved, identifying sources of help/support in and around the school community, the correct procedures to follow when being bullied and if you are aware of it happening.

SKIN DEEP

PRIMARY | SECONDARY | PUPIL REFERRAL UNITS

'Skin Deep' is a piece of forum theatre that focuses on racism. Our aim is to equip the pupils with the facts and tools to make the right decisions in the future. We address existing stereotypes to establish the myths and facts surrounding different cultures. Through this half or full day we will promote equality and celebrate how lucky we are to live amongst such a diverse mix of people.

FORWARD TO THE PAST

PRIMARY | SECONDARY | PUPIL REFERRAL UNITS

'Forward to the Past' is a 40 minute performance and workshops helping young people learn about the history of Africa. Through the mediums of drama, music and dance, we provide an educational yet informative experience aimed at enlightening audiences about the less commonly known facts about the continent. This piece is perfectly suited for Black History Month, but can be booked at any time of the year to support the History curriculum.

RIGHT PATH

PRIMARY

'Right Path' is a 30 minute performance designed to help young people think about their futures in a relaxed and engaging environment. We aim to empower young people to know they can make a successful career for themselves in any profession they like, and should be focusing on developing their talents and skills to allow them to do that.



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AFTER SCHOOL & LUNCH TIME CLUBS

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Diverse Voices run weekly after-school classes in the following; Drama, Dance, Singing, Music or a combination. We operate in many schools across London and Greater London, offering after school clubs for young people aged 4-16 years of all levels of ability.

Clubs include:

- **Drama:** A fun way for to develop and grow using dramatic skills and techniques. Great for communication skills, confidence, team building and of course nurturing the budding performers.
- **Street Dance, Indian Dance, Ballet & African Dance:** Will stimulate, captivate and enlighten each child, as well as improving fitness, co-ordination and developing a sense of rhythm and creative expression.
- **Singing or Choir:** Participants will improve their vocal range, learning breath control, how to sing harmonies, as well as developing confidence in performing.

Students receive the attention, energy and enthusiasm of highly experienced, working professionals in the industry. Our clubs use the power of performing arts to assist all aspects of each student's education. Our fresh new approach compliments and enriches the national curriculum in schools, meeting objectives in the areas of Literacy, Numeracy, Music and PSHE.

At the end of each term students get the opportunity to present a performance for family and friends. There will also be opportunities to perform at public events.



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SPORTS

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Diverse Voices believe in the synergy between Performing Arts and Sports. Both can be used as tools to develop transferable skills that will be beneficial to participants beyond that specific discipline. All sports activities will improve communication, confidence, teambuilding and fitness in a fun and interactive way.

Diverse Voices offer a range of sports based activities that are suitable in various settings:

After School Clubs

Weekly clubs for young people aged 4-16 years old. Either coaching a team representing the school or providing a fun activity where they can develop and learn a sport of their choice. We offer breakfast clubs, lunchtime and after school clubs in a range of different sports. We also offer staff fitness boot camps

Holiday Activities

For the Summer, Easter, Christmas or half term breaks, our facilitators are to hand to engage young people during their time off school, and ensure that their holidays are enjoyed in a fun but productive way.

Sports Curriculum

Whether offering temporary cover for absent staff, or establishing frameworks in settings such as pupil referral units, we provide qualified coaches and instructors to deliver Sports and PE lessons in Schools. Our coaches are able to plan and deliver lessons that fit in with the National Curriculum at Primary and Secondary level. We can cover your PPA timetable or come in to deliver one off workshops such as Healthy living and Sports & Fitness days.

Sports offered include Football, Boxing, Basketball, Cricket, Athletics, Handball, Tag Rugby & Fitness.



ARTS AWARD

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Diverse Voices is an accredited Arts Award centre, experienced and trained to support young people achieve Bronze and Silver Arts Awards; a level 2 QCF qualification. Arts award is managed by Trinity College London in association with the Arts Council.

Arts Awards support young people's creative development in five key ways:

- **Participation** - Arts Award encourages and supports young people aged 11-25 to develop their interest and participation in arts, media and cultural activities
- **Talent** - Supporting young people's creative development and nurturing talent
- **New Experiences** - Complementing and extending the arts and cultural experiences young people have within formal education
- **Teamwork and Leadership** - Providing opportunities for collaborative work and leadership which promotes young people's personal development
- **Research and Pathways** - Providing opportunities for young people to research and identify progression routes in the arts and cultural sectors

For more information see www.artsaward.org.uk

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