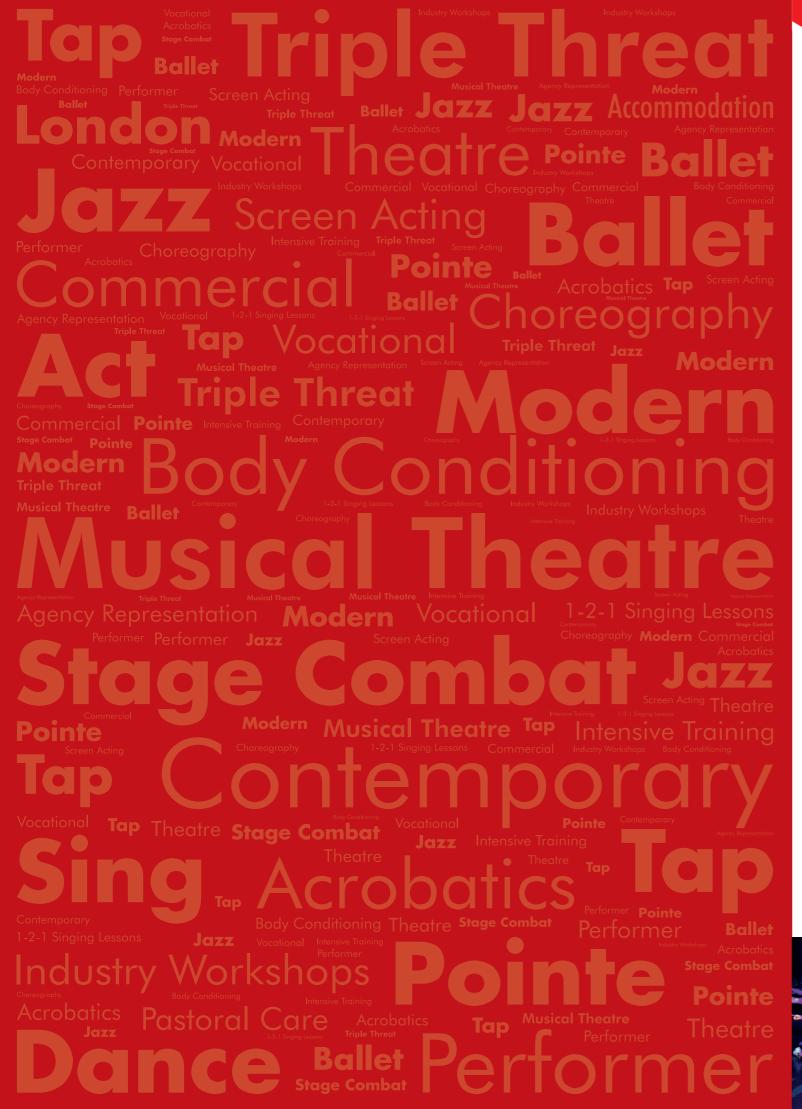
# **SHARE Musical Theatre**



**Diploma Prospectus 2024** 



## Welcome to Sharpe

Sharpe Academy is a vocational Musical Theatre college based in Hatch End, North West London. Our Diploma courses are designed around our primary goal - to give students the necessary skills, knowledge, strength and stamina to become professional performers. Too many colleges today have transitioned away from a vocational focus, resulting in a great many students failing to achieve their ambition.

We are incredibly lucky to have an industry focused faculty of teachers who have spent many years not only performing themselves, but gaining the right qualifications and experience to teach the next generation of performers. All our faculty know each of our students and are able to guide them individually. We are able to offer support, guidance and ultimately a direct path into the business, through our established and well-connected agency.

Our timetable, which consists of up to 35 contact hours each week, is built around triple threat performance. Whether a student joins us with a great singing voice, outstanding pirouettes or a deep understanding of character, they will train in all areas of Musical Theatre for the full duration of their course.

Our state-of-the-art venue gives our students well designed and developed dance studios, drama workshops, recreation areas and recording studios - all within an easy commute to London's West End.

We have a range of funding options including bursaries and scholarships, our own student accommodation, and a wellbeing team dedicated to providing the support our students need.

Our graduates are currently working in Musicals, Cruises, Hotels and Resorts. We are not seeking to become the biggest college in the UK, but we are well on our way – in our 5th full-time college year and 16th company year – to demonstrating, without any shadow of a doubt, that we produce outstanding professional performers.

We are now searching for talented students to join us in September 2024. We are particularly interested in finding those performers who require intensive training to release their full potential. Students who are willing to work hard, support those around them and show determination to push through any brick walls. Students who have a natural talent that, without the correct training and individual attention, would disappear on the back rows of other institutions.

The transformation our students make in all areas of performance is incredible and we are so proud of our graduates who are progressing at lighting speeds in the professional world. Our team are on hand to answer any questions you may have. Our audition dates, which are also full experience days, can be found on our website - SharpeAcademy.co.uk - and our Instagram page - @sharpeacademy.

Thank you for taking the time discover more about Sharpe.

Wishing you all the very best.

Daniel Sharpe Principal



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## **3 Year Diploma** in Professional **Musical Theatre** & Acting

Apply online at SharpeAcademy.co.uk

Duration: **3 Years** Annual Course Fees: £10,800 Annual Full Bursary Fees: £3,600 Fees with Full Bursary (means tested): £300 per month (36 payments) Limited Scholarships Available

#### **Course Summary**

- Triple Threat Training in Singing, Dance, Acting and Acrobatics
- Full-time 3 Years
- Minimum of **30 weeks per year** including 8 weeks in productions
- Minimum of **30 hours per week**
- Private 1-to-1 Singing Lessons
- Two Musical Theatre Productions each year
- One **Dramatic Play** each year
- Agency Representation 12 month contract with Agent Sharpe from your first day of third year to fully transition into the industry
- Experienced Industry Faculty
- London's West End on our doorstep (direct train across the road to London Euston)
- Regular Industry Workshops and weekly Audition Technique classes
- State-of-the-art facilities including on-site 500-seat Theatre and Studio Theatre
- Dance Studios with professional sprung floors, mirrors and barres
- Editing Suite and Recording Studio for showreels

- Student Recreation Hub for relaxation
- Vocational exams available with Trinity, RAD, ISTD, APC, LAMDA & Acrobatic Arts
- Full assistance with Spotlight Membership, Showreels, Photographs & Self-Employment
- Small class and year group sizes

#### **Accelerated 2 Year Diploma**

If you have already completed Intermediate or Advanced level dance qualifications, or a Foundation course, and are aged 19+ then we may be able to consider an application for you to join our second year students and complete your training in two years instead of three.

All students will be assessed during their audition day to determine if this option is a possibility.



## Industry Diploma in Professional Musical Theatre

Apply online at SharpeAcademy.co.uk

#### Duration: **1 Year**

Annual Course Fees: £6,000 Bursaries and Scholarships are not available for this course.

#### **Course Summary**

- **Triple Threat Training** in Singing, Dance, Acting and Acrobatics
- Full-time 1 Year
- Minimum of **24 weeks** including 8 weeks in productions
- Minimum of 24 hours per week
- Private 1-to-1 Singing Lessons
- Two Musical Theatre Productions
- One Dramatic Play
- Agency Representation 24 month contract with Agent Sharpe from your first day of college to fully transition into the industry
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### Work while you study

Our agency enables us to submit you for short contracts that you can complete while still studying with us.

It may also be possible for us to defer your studies for you to complete a longer contract, after which you can return to complete your Diploma at a later date. This means you will be able to audition for Musicals, Cruise Ships, Television, Film, Hotels and Resorts as soon as your study year begins.

## Venue and **Facilities**

#### Sharpe Academy is based at Harrow Arts Centre, Hatch End, North West London.

Harrow Arts recently benefited from a multi-million pound refurbishment and regeneration programme.

Our Grade II-listed Sharpe HQ was originally a laundry for the old Harrow Grammar School, but is now a light, airy and well-equipped studio building, perfect for training the next generation of professional performers.

The campus includes:

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#### **The Elliott Hall Theatre**

A 500-seat professional theatre fitted out with the latest industry standard lighting, sound and special effects. This is where we produce our February backstage project musical, our large scale July musical and also our Graduation performance. The theatre building also includes four dressing rooms, a bar/cafe, box office and small art gallery.

#### **The Boiler House Studio Theatre**

A black-box performance space with professional sound and lighting where we perform our musical in November and a series of dramatic plays in March each year.

#### **Sharpe HQ**

This building includes:

- The Ballet Studio with Harlequin Sprung Floor, Mirrors, Barres & Fitness store
- The Music Room with large musical score library for private singing lessons
- The Student Recreation Hub designed as an American Diner for students to eat, relax, socialise and watch television. This includes a student kitchen including fridges and microwaves.



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## • The Recording Studio and Editing Suite.

This includes Apple Mac computers for showreels and screen acting projects, professional sound equipment and studio set up to record industry standard vocal reels.

- The Sharpe Office and Agency Hub
- Students' changing rooms and toilets

#### Harrow Arts Additional Studios & Workshops

These buildings include:

- The Dance Studio A large professional dance studio with wooden floors, mirrors and barres. We use this space most days for classes including Body Conditioning, Jazz, Musical Theatre and Acrobatics.
- Roxeth Tap Studio with Harlequin Sprung Floor, Mirrors and Barres
- Greenhill Multipurpose Studios A brand new four-studio building with activity floors and plenty of space for workshops, events and student private hire
- Additional Studios and spaces on site There are an additional 7 large and 8 medium/ small studios on site, a swimming pool run by Everyone Active and large car park.
- Students can hire non-Sharpe spaces from as little as £1.00 per hour if a room is available.



**Agent Sharpe** Our books are open. AgentSharpe.co.uk

#### Agent Sharpe was

established in 2011 to represent professional performers who are at the start of their careers and those looking to push into bigger productions after gaining some experience. Our main industry focus when submitting clients is Musical Theatre, but we submit clients for all of the following:

- West End productions
- National and International tours
- Cruise ships
- Hotels and Resorts
- Feature films
- Television and Commercials

Our clients have performed in many productions and commercials. A small selection of our credits is shown on the opposite page.

SPOTLIGHT THE HOME OF CASTING





- Spotlight Agent Sharpe is a registered agent with the UK's largest casting database 'Spotlight'. All our courses are eligible for membership and we spend a great deal of time using Spotlight to submit our clients for professional jobs.
- Tagmin Agent Sharpe uses Tagmin, a specially designed online portal for professional performers to link them directly with their agent, calendar and upcoming auditions.
- Equity All students at Sharpe Academy may join Equity as student members if they wish to do so. Students can then progress to full membership after graduation.



**Daniel Sharpe** Principal and Agent Tap, Singing, Acting, Musical Theatre

**Nick Jackson** Managing Director



**Jodie Smith** Vice Principal ISTD Ballet, Modern, Tap and Stretch

**Richard Baker Musical Director** 



Kathryn O'Sullivan Ballet, Pointe and Pastoral Care



Dan Cooke Jazz, Tap, Boys' Ballet, Contemporary and Chorography



**Rosina Andrews** Jazz, Jazz Technique and Stretch



Amy Ross Musical Theatre and Acting



**Lisa Shepherd** Тар



**Jack Tutt** Acting



**Maisie Carter** Stage Combat



Harrison Rio Sports Massage and Injury Rehabillitation

# Faculty





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Moving away from home can be both exciting and worrying at the same time. We want our students to feel safe, secure and have a real home to relax in when not at college.

Our Sharpe student residence - The Loft - is within walking distance of college and includes six double en-suite bedrooms. The house has a communal living area, garden and fully equipped kitchen.

Priority for this accommodation is usually given to our younger students, but it is is offered on a first come first served basis from April for new students who move in at the start of September.

The Loft is a fully registered HMO property and includes fire doors, integrated alarm system, gas safety certificate, TV licence and WiFi.

All bedrooms include:

- Bed
- Wardrobe
- Drawers
- Bedside table & lamp
- Mini fridge
- Television

#### **Local Area Accommodation**

Second year and final year students usually arrange their own living arrangements sharing with each other in local rented houses and flats. Where we are based in North West London has a large variety of house shares available. We can provide assistance in pointing students in the right direction if they wish to move to the area.



# HATCH END

#### North West London – Hatch End

Hatch End is an affluent suburb on the outskirts of Greater London. The main street has a host of restaurants, bars, ice cream parlours, coffee shops, a post office, pharmacist, hair salons and a physiotherapy clinic.

There are several doctors and dentists within walking distance of college and a direct train line into London Euston.

Next door to our Harrow Arts Centre campus is a large Morrisons supermarket; we also have a local Waitrose, Tesco, Aldi and Asdawww.

The nearest town centre is **Harrow**, just a 10-minute bus ride away, which has a cinema and a range of clothing stores. Watford city centre is a 10-minute train ride away and has a large shopping centre and bigger selection of cafes, restaurants, bars and clubs.

London's West End – with its theatres, museums, galleries, shopping and vibrant nightlife - is less than 30 minutes away by train.





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#### Sharpe HQ

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