

NATIONAL FINAL 2026

**NATIONAL YOUTH
MONOLOGUES**

SUNDAY 14TH JUNE 2026

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Welcome to the National Youth Monologues 2026

The National Youth Monologues was created to provide an accessible and ambitious platform for young performers aged 9–19, celebrating solo performance and championing the next generation of actors.

Following a successful first year, the 2026 competition saw extraordinary growth, with nearly 4,000 entries submitted from across the UK. Young performers entered across four categories — Classical, Contemporary, Screen and Devised — representing schools, colleges, youth theatres and independent training pathways from every region of the country.

The National Final bring together a selection of outstanding performers who were selected from our two Regional finals that took place at the Lyceum Theatre in Crewe and the Stone Nest in London. Those chosen for the final were recognised by our judges for the quality, creativity and individuality of their work.

Alongside the finalists performing today, we also celebrate those whose monologues were Commended or selected for the Regional Shortlist as part of this year's competition.

The National Youth Monologues is proud to work in partnership with Trafalgar Entertainment, Methuen Drama, the Federation of Drama Schools and Actor's Nest to support and develop young performers and help create accessible opportunities within the performing arts.



Key Stage 2 & Key Stage 3

1pm

Sunday 14th June 2026

TRAFALGAR
— THEATRE —

Results

At the end of Act Two the prizes for both age groups will be announced.

KEY STAGE 2

Contemporary: Group 1

Jake Cross (Jeni Law Speech & Drama) - Little Violet & The Angel
Aria Ismail-Rix (Ashford Prep School) - Social Media Sushi
Neve Mills-Ward (North Cave CofE Primary) - My Mother Said I Never Should
Ava-Brooke Rano (Ysgol Bro Tawe) - Jayne Eyre

Contemporary: Group 2

Perdie Rolfe (Hunsley Primary) - The BFG Stage Play
Timothy Jian Soon (Whitgift) - The Phantom Tollbooth
Harley Tidy (Freddie Vokes School of Performing Arts) - Matilda
Oliver Van Helden (The Beacon School) - Unite

The PQA Be Yourself Award for Original Monologues

Ela Bahceci (PQA Rugby) - Listen up
Leo Baker (Davenham CofE, Northwich) - Greatest Footballer in the world, Almost
Paul How (St. Edward's Primary School CofE) - The Son of the Bride
Henry Oscar (SOAR Performance Academy) - Best for Who?

Classical

Poppy Jones (Ella Jones Drama @ NULS) - Macbeth
Aadhya Moudgil (Haberdashers' Girls School) - As You Like It
Kira Parker (YTA Young Talent Academy) - A Midsummer Night's Dream
Emily Riddell (St Brides Primary School / NISMAT) - Romeo & Juliet
Anthea Saunders (Haberdashers' Girls School) - As You Like It

Screen

Flora Marks (Abbey Gate College) - Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone
Jack Cole (Liverpool College) - Wonder
Elsie Dark (N/A) - A Kind of Spark
Lyla Rolfe (Get Your Wigle On, Shrewsbury / Tilstock Cof E Primary School) - The Worst Witch

Interval

After the interval the presentation of those who made the Regional Shortlists and whose work was given a Commendation by our judges.

KEY STAGE 3

Screen

Leo Jordan-Bell (Kingsbridge Community College) - Percy Jackson & the Lightning Thief

Ava Masterson (Wallace High School) - Good Will Hunting

Amira Mwambingu (Abbey Gate College) - Stargirl

Olantra Worrell (YTA Young Talent Academy) - Hidden Figures

The PQA Be Yourself Award for Original Monologues

William Bendon (PQA Chester) - Not What They're Looking For

Lauren Rodgers (PQA Rugby) - What the Hell is Wrong With This World?

Thandisa Wadi (PQA Uxbridge) - Parents

Audrey Williams (St John's, Marlborough) - That Girl Who Dances

Carli Zinzani (Highdown School & Sixth Form Centre) - Victimise

Classical: Group 1

Bella Bush-Pickard (Arts Educational / Epsom Stagecoach) - Macbeth

Bo Reef Davies (King's Priory, Tynemouth) - Henry V

Tara Gardner (Ibstock Place School) - As You Like It

Daisy Irvine (Bloxham School) - King John

Classical: Group 2

Natalie Lloyd (Westonbirt Senior School) - Romeo & Juliet

Sheba Maguire (Chesterton Community College) - Twelfth Night

Darcey Rhodes-Finney (Ackworth School) - A Midsummer Night's Dream

Emmeline Spirling (Bournemouth School for Girls) - Richard III

Contemporary: Group 1

Joseph Hampson (First Act Arts) - The Play that Goes Wrong

Hope Day (The Mount School) - Dance Nation

Elodie Douglas (Royal Russell) - Don't Leave Me Without Mum

Tabitha Buck (Westholme School, Blackburn) - Girls Like That

Contemporary: Group 2

Daisy Phoenix Jobanputra (Watford Grammar Girls School) - Under Hypnosis

Marie Scriven (The Norwood School) - Lands

Annabelle Sully (Wellington School) - Horizon

Alfie Webster (Hummersknott Academy) - Jonesy (Jumper for Goalposts)

Key Stage 4 & Sixth Form

6pm

Sunday 14th June 2026

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KEY STAGE 4

Contemporary: Group 1

Iszy Hoad (Farlington School) - A Hundred Words for Snow

Luke Stirling (Radley College) - Prodigal Son

Maia Holmes (Newcastle under Lyme School) - DNA

Harrison Turner-Hazel (South Hunsley School) - Private Peaceful

Contemporary: Group 2

Elizabeth Jennings (Hymers College) - Shakers

Fraser Ndahiro (TADAA) - Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time

Annie Boden Parry (Islington Young Peoples Theatre / Hornsey School For Girls) -

Chewing Gum Dreams

Toby Toseland (Kimbolton School) - The 39 Steps

The PQA Be Yourself Award for Original Monologues

Harry Davies (HbActing) - Man Up

Esmae Dixon (St Christopher's CfE High School) - I Know Ya Love Me

Lily Mantle (Sibford School) - All the Things I Haven't Said

Cleo Tyack (Parmiter's School) - Freaking Flibbertigibbet

Classical: Group 1

Serafina Campolucci-Bordi (Thorp Academy) - A Midsummer Nights Dream

Sophia Handford (Solihull School) - As You Like It *

Grace Nichols Wood (Sibford School) - Henry VI Part I

Edward Rakhit (Hethersett Academy) - King Lear

Classical: Group 2

Amelia Reynolds (Abbey Gate College) - All's Well That Ends Well

Arabella Saunders (N/A) - Richard III

Jamie Steel (Lambstail Youth Theatre) - Hamlet

Screen

Eva Watras (Sheridan Stage School) - Little Women

Mark Gogbashian (Susi Earnshaw Theatre School) - The Odd Couple

Oliver Jensen (Rossall School) - Stranger Things

Tallulah Walsh (Brighton College) - Little Women

Interval

After the interval the presentation of those who made the Regional Shortlists and whose work was given a Commendation by our judges.

SIXTH FORM

Screen

Zachary Roberts (Taunton School) - Sherlock

Maya Clarice Cooper (Boston High School) - Saltburn

Rose Wenje (Southfield School for Girls) - The Vampire Diaries

Jasmine Went (Balcarras School) - Law & Order: Special Victims Unit

The PQA Be Yourself Award for Original Monologues

Felix Warner (Wycombe High School) - TBC

Imogen Malley (Graveney School) - Drama Lesson

Kiera Miller (HbActing) - Untitled

Zeynep Tursucu (East 15 Acting School) - An Invitation to Love

Joe Johnson (Sir John Deanes Sixth Form College) - Morecambe and I

Classical: Group 1

Olga Buckina (N/A) - Macbeth

Carys Hayford (ArtsEd) - The Comedy of Errors

Marcus Ettinger (Abbey Gate College) - King Lear

Tegwen Edwards (Northbrook) - Henry IV

Lauren Metcalfe (Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School) - Richard III

Classical: Group 2

Freddie Garnham (Stage Works College) - Two Gentlemen of Verona

Rosanna Douse (N/A) - Macbeth

Freya Deakin (CAPA College) - Measure for Measure

Sammy Wakayu (Rugby School) - Two Noble Kinsmen

Ivy Salter-Chiles (The Norwood School) - Henry IV

Contemporary: Group 1

Huck Whittle (Elgin Academy) - Office Hours

Ekene Udeaaja (Saint Ambrose College) - Ma Rainey's Black Bottom

Jasmine Fox (St Philomena's Catholic High School for Girls) - Low Level Panic

Patrick Murena (Notre Dame High School) - Consensual

Zoe Albrecht (The Norwood School) - Everyday I Make Greatness Happen

Contemporary: Group 2

Lily Montgomery (N/A) - In Doggerland

Jack Parrott (Theatre Studio Cheltenham) - The Unreturning

Faith Ukponmwan (The Norwood School) - Who Cares?

Holly Osbourne (The Glasgow Academy) - Layla's Room

Nestor Sharma (Beaumont School) - Scissors

**Regional Finalists,
Regional Shortlists
&
Commended Entries**

Regional Finalists

The following students took part in either the Regional Final (North) at the Lyceum Theatre, Crewe, or the Regional Final (South) at Stone Nest, London:

Key Stage 2: Classical

Lorenzo McGrath
Lottie Tiplady
Celia Brass
Darcie Delilah Stainze
Aaron Taylor

Key Stage 2: Contemporary

Lovella-Faith Holland
Sophie Kerr
Scarlett Spencer
Paige Olivia Brearley
Olivia Gibson
Sid Norton
Isla Gray
Emily Wallbank

Key Stage 2: Original

Marcus Honca
Shona Reddy
Paige Olivia Brearley
Chloe Curtis

Key Stage 2: Screen

Isabella Blackmore Lee
Elsie Dark
Chloe Robinson
Paari Senthil
Grace Wilkinson
Ruby Hall
Jack Cole
Elsie McCabe
Lyla Rolfe
Flora Marks

Key Stage 3: Classical

Sonny Freeman
Bethan Hill
Polly Sibley
Neva Moores
Beatrice Silcock
Holly Rose Turnbull
Maxwell Whitelock
Solomon Horta
Maya Burke
Imi Campbell
Emilia Lawrence
Esther Thompson

Key Stage 3: Contemporary

Vida Adler
William Churchill Evans
Erin-Mae Goodwin-Samuels
Ben Hayes
Amira Mwambingu
Lovella-Faith Holland
Sophie Kerr
Scarlett Spencer
Paige Olivia Brearley
Olivia Gibson
Sid Norton
Isla Gray
Emily Wallbank
Bertie Coppin
Seosaimhin Hennelly
Belle MacDougall
Buddy Taylor
Zac Wishart

Key Stage 2: Original

Aiyalah Halfpenny-Thornley
James Hopkins
Lucas Lees
Lottie Bryant
Enya Gallagher
Jack Grey

Key Stage 2: Screen

Arko Bhattacharya
Neva Moores
Erin O'Dwyer
Heidi Stock
Eva Wishart

Key Stage 4: Classical

**Neve Boyles
Lucy Brown
Arthur Stevens
Maddie Clamp
Ruth Barnett
Aoife Bradley
Reuben MacNiven
Paddy McPherson
Cyrus Nadaffy-James
Freya Williams**

Key Stage 4: Contemporary

**Holly Carter
Katie Clark Gorry
Harry Connor
TJ Fair
Ava Kearsley
Alice McWilliam
Amelia Reynolds
Thomas Blower
Camilla Gebbie
Nia Harfoot
Naomi Oriakhi**

Key Stage 4: Original

**Cora Hamer
Amber Lacey
Charlotte Beever
Raphaelle Logane Essombe
Lincoln Whaley**

Key Stage 4: Screen

**Freya Gray
Leila Morley-Knight
Zetta St louis johnson
Marisa Becker
Iszy Hoad
Amelia Parker**

Sixth Form: Classical

**Charlotte Fisher
Maya Minocha
Holly Osbourne
Madelaine Shenton
Laura Kieran
Tegan Edridge
William Harding
Katrina McAllister
Dylan Wallington
Rose Widgery**

Sixth Form: Contemporary

**Kaitlin Olivia Fleming
Sophie Kay
David Okodeh
Sophia Ramos-Raw
Skye Chan Couzin
Anika Conkleton
Millicent MacLeod
Jovan Samuel
Bee Travers**

Sixth Form: Original

**Annabelle Charles
Leah MacDonald
Yeva Pukas
Miles Evans**

Sixth Form: Screen

**Elizabeth Ross
Zach Rout
Suniksha Kumar
Scarlett McGuire**

Regional Shortlist

The following students made the Regional Shortlist (South) in this year's competition:

Key Stage 2: Classical

Mia Giles*
Emily Riddell*
Harry Carter*
Isabella Morgan

Key Stage 2: Contemporary

Saffy Boyle*
Max Chaloner*
Aria Ismail-Rix*
Elkie McGregor*
Otilie Rayward-Smith*
Neriah-Rose Abankwa
Sammy Ambrose
Cora Austin
Darcey Barnett
Annabel Botterill
Amelie Bray
Paige Olivia Brearley x2
James Campbell-Buchanan
Willow Daniels
Mia Giles
North Ginsburg Chan
Arabella Hunter
Robyn Lappin
Elkie McGregor
Freddie Mee
Bertram Nemeth
Beatrix Pragnell
Otilie Rayward-Smith
Alana Regan
Perdie Rolfe
Milly Shapiro
Daisy Taylor
Lottie Tiplady
Amelia Traube-Childs
Leandra Vaka
Bertie Venn
Radhika Wahal
Hadley Walton
Chloe Wilson
Liberty Zittel

Key Stage 2: Original

Dorina Kecskes*
Eilidh McKerracher*
Rona Simpson*
Liberty Zittel*
Neriah-Rose Abankwa
Leonardo de Bernardini
Hugo Dickens
Stanley Fryer
Laeyl Karugaba
Erin Kearns
Grace Kennedy
Isaac Morris
Gwinyai Muparadzi
Rowan Perrier
Selma Schiefler

Key Stage 2: Screen

Lovella-Faith Holland*
Elsie McCabe*
Thea Moran*
Myrtle Badman-King
Paige Olivia Brearley
Darcey Bussey
Carter Davies
Isla Eckhoff
Sophia Silvey
Ell-j Thurman
Amelia Traube-Childs
Charlie Webb
Chloe Wilson
Fred Young
Liberty Zittel

Key Stage 3: Classical

Tabitha Buck*
Alice Cahill
Josie Hudson
Sophia Ivic
Arthur Jenner
Iris Kirwan
Millicent Lee
Natasha Luddem
Rosie Malthouse
Isida Manolakou
Beau Martin
Raphael Mungavin
Holly-Hope Perrier
Dulran Ranasinghe x2
Sophie Robertson
Ori Rodrigues-Cova x2
Lydia Shetliffe
Florence Vernon
Alana Walker

Key Stage 3: Contemporary

Evie Love*
Elfie Shaw*
Holly Shiel*
Megan Aguiar
Ankhan Aswani
Emily Barber x2
Nishta Basu
Lila Benett
Sienna Benjamin
Charlie Bishop
Darcy Bishop
Cassia Branca
Evie Bray
Lottie Bryant
Patrick Burke
Bella Bush-Pickard
Alice Cahill
Archie Chalmers

**These students were also placed on the Reserve List for the Regional Finals.*

**Key Stage 3:
Contemporary (Cont.)**

Harriet Coe
Margot Farah Crain
Tess Crockford
Darcy Crosby
Luke Deasy
Shenaya Dissanayke
Jameson Doble
Donnie Fallon
Sophie Fenton
Sophia Goodman
Sam Haining x2
Amber Hargreaves
Charlotte Harman
Ellyse Harvey x2
James Hayle
Camilla Holmer
Belle Hunt x2
Bastian Hunter-Shortland
Otis Jacobi
Arthur Jenner
Archie Kaurstrand-Gough
Francis Keita
Alice Kelly
Naumi Kotecha
Millicent Lee
Steffy Lilly Stephenson
Poppy Linton
Natasha Luddem
Ava Marl
Siena Martin
Jonah Maynard
Jane McCourt
Elizabeth Mellish
Matilda Morley
Sienna Morton-Nicholson
Emmelia Mourouzidou
Joshua O'Callaghan
Erin O'Dwyer
Bella O'Keefe
Phoenix Pannu
Rafael Pellacani Muller
Aleeza Perera
William Pigg
Jodie Preece
Anaya Purswani

Daniel Rhodes
Louis Roberts
Millie Robinson
Lauren Sander
Jessica Sargent
Maggie Seaton
Silvia Shea
Lydia Shetliffe
Findlay Shore
Polly Sibley
Heidi Sims
Poppy-Mei Soon
Meghan Taylor
Esther Thompson
Holly Tierney
Cressida Tudor-Hart
Nilou Valantin
Elena Walker
James Watson
Sammy Wray
Carli Zinzani

Key Stage 3: Original

Emily Barber*
Aiyalah Halfpenny-Thorley*
Serrena Ahara
Milly Auchincloss
Riya Bajpe
Emily Barber
Ina Bilali
Lottie Bryant
Tabitha Buck
Lauren Catom
Mia Fisher
Nevaeh Grant
Sophie Grant
Joseph Hampson
Erin Harris
Lottie Jenkin
Lucas Karanikis
Ruby Lewis
Haley Light
Belle MacDougall
Alec Martin
Esther Nash
Sophia Nice
Dilys Perry

Allie Reed
Millie Searle
Elan Shah
Rafferty Smale
Emmeline Spirling
Evelyn Tomlinson
Sophia Waterhouse
Delilah Wiggins
Stevie Willims
Jessica Wilson
Polly Youren
Carli Zinzani

Key Stage 3: Screen

Joseph Hampson*
Solomon Horta*
Tilly Baker
Marie Brody
Bea Culetto
Lyla Edgar
violet fendick
Enya Gallagher
Noah Gardner
Heidi Gripton x2
Shrija (Nana) Kandel
Emilia Lawrence
Eric Leeming
Isla Levell
Venise Moodley
Sebastian Niblett
Marlo Nicholson-Outhart
Matilda O'Sullivan
Jodie Preece
Ori Rodrigues-Cova x2
Emmeline Spirling
Harriette Townsend

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Key Stage 4: Classical

Sophie Ainsworth*
Xander Neumann*
Irene Soulellis*
Aoife Bradley
Vinnie Britton
Alexa Camilleri
Millie Cheesman
Jarvis Cobb
Alyssia Crawford
Harry Davies
Mark Gogbashian
Maya Greening
Lizzy King
Nahla Manuel
Phoebe Martin-Connor
Blossom Murdoch
Lucas Nayak
Cara O'Hare
James Oswald
Eliza Radcliffe
Emily Rushton
Arabella Saunders
Ellie Saunderson
Irene Soulellis
Lyla Williams
May Wilson
Bear Yates

Key Stage 4: Cont.

Camilla Anderson*
Freya Gray*
Sienna O'Brien*
Max Ryans-Smith
Ugochi Anozie
Olly Beard
Bertie Bishop
Caliana Boyd
Neve Boyles
Lucy Brown
Rachel Burch
Francesca Burles
Serafina Campolucci-Bordi
Archie Fay
Jess Forder
Sofia Garvin
Libby Gerrard
Daisy Gianni

Lottie Graves
Archie Gyte
Emily Halliday
Jack Harrington
Grace Heward -Mills
Elsbeth Hill
Iszy Hoad
Daisy Hollman
Poppy Hudson-Croker
anika iyer
Eliza Jeffery
Phoebe Knapp
Poppy Letting x2
Penny Manel
Trinity McCleod
Olivia McPheators
Soraiya Mustafa
Cyrus Nadaffy-James
Fraser Ndahiro
Rosanna Nealon
Charlie Negus x2
Anna Nguyen
Oliver Nichol
Cara O'Hare
Erin Pannett
Eliza Radcliffe
Edward Rakhit
Isobel Reynolds
Florence Richer
Evan Roberts
Holly Robertson
Cayla Saunyama
Jude Scott
Poppy Scutt
Trisha Shah
Lottie Startin
Alfie Turner
Isla Urquhart
Freyja Whittington
Sophie Wilkinson
Freya Williams
Vanessa Wilson

Key Stage 4: Original

Shruthi Ella Tharmalingam*
Jemima Hussain*
Millie Mistry*
Freya Somerset*

Lauren Brickman
Vinnie Britton
Isabel Butcher
Jack Byford
Saffron Chandler
Hoi Kit (Jack) Chen
Zoe Clements
Hannah Cooley
Lucy Cooper
Bella Cox
Oliver Degg
Jamie Elliott
Olivia Harris
Corin Hodgson
Natalia Kupczyk
Lola-Rose Lenny
Divi Mittal
Sofia Nahavandi-Nejad
Cara O'Hare
Harley Oakley
Melania Savic
Dylan Veysey
Lyla Williams

Key Stage 4: Screen

Anya Gillett*
Velvet Harrison*
Sophie Tarbuck*
Ema Barbeiro
Aoife Bradley
Marnie Brian
Ruby Franklin
Harley Griffiths
Erin Kennedy
Toby Killick
Lucas Nayak
Mattie North
Olivia-Marie Ossei
Amelia Parker
Eva Rouse
Emily Rushton
Emma Savage
Cece Southgate

**These students were also placed on the Reserve List for the Regional Finals.*

Sixth Form: Classical

Ruby Barker*
Daisy Morgan*
Harnek Sahota*
Joshua Wright*
Raisa Adyani
Bethany Allen
Sonya Apert
Paloma Baramidze
James Bartholomew
Gracie Black x2
Macey Blackledge
Naomi Brooke
Arabella Carter
Rocco Cavaliere
Yasmin Clare Jamshidi
Faith Clarke
Maya Clarice Cooper
Oliver Davis
Thomas Else Else
Charlotte Fisher
Olivia Grant
Holly Harney
Leila Hoch
Leah Holmes
Ilana Honeybourne
Emily Johnson x2
Berta Kumin x2
Katie Langston
Lottie Lootens
Millicent MacLeod
Alice Martineau
Erin Matthews
Dan Meikle
Sofia Montague
Minnie Nixon
David Okodeh
Tiggy Olley
Penny Page
Olivia Palmer-Walker
Jack Parrott
Alexandra Paton
Marnie Pounds
Nieves Sanchez x2
Logan Spence
Mabel Swift
Katie Tomlinson
Gabriel Truetsch
Stella Tserkezie-Tunnicliffe

Zeynep Tursucu
Faith Ukponmwan
Jasmine Went
Huck Whittle
Arthur Wilkinson
Arabella (Bel) Williams
Elliott Winhall
Rain Wolfe
Arielle Wolfsteiner
Max Wood

Sixth Form: Contemporary

Ruby Barker*
Maya Clarice Cooper*
Jonathan Sibanda-Jenkins*
Mariela Alushani
Sonya Apert
Florence Avignon
Amelie Beauchamp
Alex Binsted
Gracie Black x2
Poppy Bushrod
Annabelle Carmichael
Sara Carrasco
Arabella Carter
Faith Clarke
Julia Colgan
Michelle Da Silva
Freya Deakin
Marcus Ettinger
Elwood Evans
Dan Faulkner
Freddie Garnham
Zoe Grocock
Claude Ham
William Harding
Jemima Harmsworth
Miriam Hart
Catherine Hawkins
Nathan Hendricks
Lottie Hickling
Leila Hoch
Charis Holt
Alara Kilic
Berta Kumin x2
Lottie Lootens x2
Georgia Mack
Millicent MacLeod
Imogen Malley

Erin Matthews
Lex McCleary
Megan Meaney
Dan Meikle
Lauren Metcalfe
Sofia Montague
Harriet Moody
Rhianna Morgan
Olivia Morris
Emily Norman
David Okodeh
Tiggy Olley
Penny Page
Rose Parker
Alexandra Paton
Marci Patterson
Blanca Perez Sanchez
Emilia Rice x2
Zachary Roberts
Elizabeth Ross
Nieves Sanchez
Martha Smith
Zoe Smith
Thiyana Sothinathan
Esther Speirs
Kat Stanton
Tamara Stephens
Emilia Tyrrell
Jasmine Went
Rose Widgery
Arthur Wilkinson
Arabella (Bel) Williams
Max Wood

Sixth Form: Original

Zoe Grocock*
Leah MacDonald*
Louis Maria*
Sonya Apert x2
Lottie Curry
Rosanna Douse
Ella Earle
Freddie Haslam
Millicent MacLeod
Katrina McAllister
David Okodeh x2
Ruby Robertson
Millie Sketty

**These students were also placed on the Reserve List for the Regional Finals.*

Sixth Form: Screen

Millie Cross*

David Okodeh*

Daisy Roberts*

Sonya Apert

Gracie Black

Wilma Boddy x2

Michelle Da Silva

Rosanna Douse

Louis Glover

Noah Holt

Millicent MacLeod

Isabella Munro

Tiggy Olley

Olivia Palmer-Walker

Sophie Riley

Kumar Searight

Jasmine Went

Bonnie White

Olivia Wilder

**These students were also placed
on the Reserve List for the Regional
Finals.*

Commended Students

The following students had their work Commended by our judges in this year's competition:

Key Stage 2: Classical

Jim Borthwick
Anusha Gattani
Jack Keen
Maya Pal x2
Zafyra Slack-Robins
Charlie Webb
Heath Young

Key Stage 2: Original

Delilah Andrews
Inara Ansara
Shanaya Babla
Azalayah Badeau-Priest
Lydia Barbar
Eloise Begg
Alana Bone
Jake Bradbury
Ophelia Brighton x2
Thomas Carter
Ginevra Cerra Altimari
Elsie Dark
Lyla De Souza
Emma Devine
Elena Di Mauro
Lara Hack
George Hague-Moss
Rachel Haines
Ben Hardy
Dylan Hill
Teddy Jenner
Aarya Kanabar
Madeleine Kermack
Keira King
Emily Levy
Chloe Matthews
George McQueen
Isaac Morris
Alice Pearce
Rowan Perrier
Niyanta Ramesh
Otilie Rayward-Smith

Chloe Robinson x2
Eva Shore
Henry Sjoberg
Ophelia Smith
Anthony Sun
Georgia Taylor
Amelia Traube-Childs
Jacob Trotter
Maia Warden
Coco Woodhead

Key Stage 2: Original

Giulia Anais Ludusan
Lily Ansell
Harry Balachandran
Daisy Bryant-Jeffries
Mia Burke
Diana Nicole Carp
Milena Castravet
Amelia-Rose Charles
Sofia Cutts
Olivia Davis
Luna Deeley
Klyde Dennis
Elena Di Mauro
Taaliah Findlater
Eva Gilchrist
Ava Gohil
Julia Guttridge
Ella Jordan
Florence Kevern
Endelyn Kiernan
Emily Kubay
Tommy Lawrence
Rosa Marsh
Niyanta Ramesh
Chloe Robinson
Daya Rupal
Amari Shah-Levy
Dotty Shipton
Bernadette Smith
Edie Staszkievicz

Sophia Sun
Isla Tunnock
Daisy Turner
Willow Wadi
Maia Warden
Chester Wilkins
Chrissie Willis
Maddie Wreakes
Leon Zacheshigriva

Key Stage 2: Screen

Persephone Ardouin
Ava Attri x2
Marli Bagley
Eloise Capers
Leal Connelly
Freya Cresswell
Mia Giles
Imogen Gorf
Eliza Holmes
Rosie Houlihan-Jong
Anya Ketchin
Logan Maloney
Elloise McGregor
Isabella morgan
Alice Pearce
Sophia Peasley x2
Alana Regan
Bodhi Ross
Gaia Rossi-Anderson
Annabelle Scott
Paari Senthil x2
Henry Slowey
Darcie Delilah Stainze
Tyler Traube-Childs
Liberty Zittel

Key Stage 3: Classical

AAnkhan Aswani
Lottie Bryant
Dominic Dalton
Kaden De Silva
Jameson Doble Doble
Romilly Duff
Esther Fitzpatrick
Matteo Gosling
Scarlet Haughey
Summer Hayes
Jacob Hayward
Xander Jeffries
Polly Jones
Elizaveta Kovtunovich
Lilia McGarry
Evelyn Millar
Alexander Nielsen
Rose Roberts
Isaac St Leger-Harris
Gaby Staines
Hugh Swabey-Collison
Aaryan Thakrar
Megan Uden
Oyku Uste
Phoenix Wright-McCalla

Key Stage 3: Cont.

Asimina Chatzimichalis
Moyinoluwa Adenuga
Catherine Agar
Aderonke Akinloye
Ariella Assulin
Ankhan Aswani
Ava Barry
Laura Bass
Elsie Batten
Lauren Begley
Mia Bell
Xander Bergh
Robyn Blewett
Jessica Borland-Frost
Rosetta Bourke
Amelie Bowden-Thayer
Hope Bromley
Eva Burton
Elsa Charlton
Marilia Church
Dominic Clements

Charlie Cleverley
Ashton Cody
Joshua Coetzee
Amelia-Grace Cole
Macie-jay Collins
Clodagh Conlon
Niamh Corrigan
Lottie Crease
Ivy Cronen
Daniel Crozier
Kaden De Silva
Summer Dejahang
Lily Drea
Freya Edwards
Axi Field-Marsham
Melissa Filyk
Bea Forrester
Miranda Garau Richardson
Monty Gharagozlou
Theo Graham
Alex Graves
Uzziah Gray
Jack Grey
Ksenia Grobova
Poppy Halford
Daryna Handzeshyna
Charlie Hanwell
Alice Hardy x2
Tanya Hariram
Francesca Harris
Olivia Haselwood
Summer Hayes
Oscar Heaton Armstrong
Daniel Hodge
Lorretta Iles
Daisy Imrie
Nora Joanes
Alexandra Johnson
Xander Kaurstrand-Gough
Rose Kennedy
Erin Khan
Tilda Kiernan
Sophia King
Meelie Lambert
Laycie Larque
Benjamin Lear
Jacob Line
Matha-May Lloyd
Coco Logie

Polly Margary
Zoe Margary
Zara Markey
Issac Marlin
Reya Mavadia
Francesca Meades
Maisy Mein
Zoë Moore
William Morris
Iris Morris
Sienna Morton-Nicholson
Molly Moss
Amaira Murphey
Lara Nagra x2
Roy Negrut- Griffiths
Luke Oakenfull
Angelou Ortega
Matthew Page
Sooraj Pal
Emily Parker
Orlando Peck
Holly Pink
Ruth Pitt
Poppy Postins
Erin Procter x2
Millie Ramage
Sophie Robertson
Ori Rodrigues-Cova
Reid Royale
Erin Rushton
Charis Salisbury
Fay Samson
Sarjan Sandhu
Henry Sarahs
Aoife Scullion
Thomas Sealey
Wilbur Sewell
Polly Sibley
Sasha Silvester
Darcie Simmons
Isaac Soar
Georgia Spooner
Morgan Sudlow
Herbie Summers
Ava Symes
Archie Taylor
Rosie Turner
Alice Veysey
Grace Walker

Key Stage 3: Cont. (cont'd)

Isabelle Walsh
Sebastian Waryniak
James Watson
Matthew Wendon
Faith Westlake Gray
Poppy Whitcombe
Amelia White
Maxwell Whitelock
Blake Williams
Grace Wilson
Matthew Wright
Polly Youren

Key Stage 3: Original

Evie Ansell
Ava Ardito
Sorrel Arthur
Felicity Aslett
Coral Badminton
Jaiden Barrett
Florence Beck
Flossy Bottino
Oliver Brennan
Harry Brown
Mikey Burton
Ethaniel Cole
Olivia Connell
Evelyn Cozens
Annabelle Cracknell
Evelina Drumova
Orianthi Emery
Eliza Ferrier
Monika Fletcher
Rachel Fowkes
Tiana Frederick
Isabella Gadsden
Hudson Green
Lucy Greenwood
Ksenia Grobova
Chloe Hodgekinson
Ava Houghton
Will Howgate
Evie Hughes-Browne
Mary- Diana Hunt
Drew Hunt
Eva Ihtimanliyska
Daisy Imrie
Matilda Jackson
Amy Jennings

Sophie Jonas
Jasmin Knight
Elizaveta Kovtunovich
Emily Kubica
Laycie Larque
Poppy Lee
George Lefteri
Nuala Madigan
Ted Mallett
Caoimbe martin
Jane McCourt
Connie McLoughlin
Charel McPherson Henry
Amber Moloney
Tali Paltnoi
Amelie Pritchard
Hariv Purohit
Aneesa Randeria
Elise Renard
Sophie Riches
Laura Rutowska
Kyla Seeney
Wilbur Sewell
Erin Sinclair
Shanaya Taware
Florence Thomas
Kyra Toscana
Eloise Tranter
Megan Uden
Dhananjay Vardhan
Alice Veysey
Avarnah Watson
Lily Welsh
Delilah Wiggins
Jesse Williams
Zach Wilson
Lyra Woodward-Hughes
Ophelia Wright
Leona Zebari

Key Stage 3: Screen

Florence Aldighieri
Elif Allison
Charles Alonso
Thomas Barley
Matilda Basnett
Lila Bennett
Lottie Bryant
Louisa Caradec
Laura Chamberlain

Emilia Christou
Sam Conley
Marta Cooper-Jarzyńska
Lois Durrant
Jasmine Edmonds x2
Isabella Ford
Smurti Gadre
Dolly Goddard
Josh Gritmon
Ksenia Grobova
Amelia Gutkowska
Faith Gyan
Bay Hackney
Lily Harrison
Lucie Haseler
Amelie Holt
Holly Howson
Flo Hubbard
Florence Hubbard
Henry Hunt
Jessica Kinghorn
Elizaveta Kovtunovich
Natasha Luddem
Annaleece Massey
Isabella Massey
Jane McCourt
Grace McMahon
Hermione Milsom
Savanna Moss
Phoebe Moss x2
Elisa-Tilly Moyo
Kyla O'Brien
Isabella Pereira
Dilys Perry
Olivia Richards
Elan Shah
Lydia Shetliffe
Finlay Shoyer
Perdy Stenzil
Layla Summers
Buddy Taylor
Aleksandra Tsoneva x2
Rosie Turner
Ashiana Turney
Ethan Ukachu
Maren Wainwright
Ashleigh Whitby
Maxwell Whitelock
Jessica Williams

Key Stage 4: Classical

Dylan Castle
Caitlin Chawishly
Katie Clark Gorry
Lexie Digman
Emily Doe
Carys Dorset
Caitlin Fowkes
Daisy Gianni
Nancy Holyhead
Trinity McCleod
Jaya Pitter
Anaya Shankar
Leah Silver
Dylan Veysey
Harriet Watson

Key Stage 4: Contemporary

Lily Abbott
Rose Ambler-Boateng
Andrei Andronache
Aiza Atif
Amen Attolou
Maame Baning
Ruth Barnett
Vaidhik Bingi
Neve Boyles
Kayla Athena Bruff
Alessandro Carli
Connor Chapman
Maddie Clamp x2
Isabelle Coveney
Alessia Cox
Constance Davis
Joel Dawson
Lexie Digman
Anna Dodman
Carys Dorset
Jasper Dyson
Lucy Elsey
Annabel Fikkert
Vasillia Fillapatos
Ben Fletcher
Caitlin Fowkes
Toby Freeman
Scarlett Gannon
Mark Gogbashian
Matilda Goldbrom
James Goring x3
Nancy Grant

Emily Harper
Harper Harris
Connie Hazel
William Johnson
Holly Johnston
Rebecca Kelly
Emma Kelsall
Beatrix Kendall
Lauren Keogh
Patrick Kingsman
Gauri Kotecha
Xanthe Larner
Benji Latham
Otto Lloyd-Baker
Jason Lo
Grace Manby
Aarav Mann
Erin Margrave
Noah May
Matilda Mills
Noah Morgan
Evelyn Morris
Alfie Napolitano
Alexander Peach
Elicia Peckover
Poppy Prentice
Aamna Qazi
Poppy Richards
Emily Rushton
Matilda Sevitt
Jessie Sherman
Adaa Singh
Taya Skepska
Abbey Smith
Mia Solano
Kairavi Sothinathan
Angus Stephens
Reeve Syverson
Libby Thomas
Indira Thorman x2
Dylan Veysey
Frida Vildali
Maia Wakeham
May Wilson
Evelyn Wilson
Irina Zhdanova

Key Stage 4: Original

Kayla Athena Bruff
Zachary Carroll
Stef Casey
Alisa Chernenko
Nicolas Chidgey
Phoebe Cluft
Oscar Crossley
Mason Daly
Lily Doncaster
Poppy French
Charlie Gill
James Goring x2
Aaliyah Hannan
Jorja Hunt Wakely
Emily Jones x2
Sophia Mapp
Rosie Meadow Bishop
Yambutso Mushaishi
Ellie Naylor
Nicole Ngwenya
Evie Pinder
Amber Prestedge
Anaya Shankar
Ollie Shaw
Caitlyn Sinclair
Amelia Spelman
Evelyn Stubbs
Charlie Whittle
Eleanor Wilderspin

Key Stage 4: Screen

Athena Antoniades
Theo Barratt
Erica Beckley
Vinnie Britton
Rosie Brown
Saffron Chandler
Jess Clutterbuck
Lilya Dawson
Ben Deedman
Poppy Doran
Adrian Douglas
Alexandra Ewen-Paul
Camilla Gebbie
Daisy Gianni
Mollie Hamblet-Bowes
Mabel Holder
Gracie Ingleson
Lana Jelley

Key Stage 4: Screen (cont'd)

**David Kumah
Ted Lilley
Charles (Charlie) Lindgren
Freya MacLennan
Étienne Monnerat
Cara O'Hare
Caitlyn Page
Isabella Pellett
Shaf Phillips
Edward Rakhit
Charlotte Raynes
Josh Robertson
Anaya Shankar
Hugo Sharrocks
Sapphire Stead
Caleb Stubbington
Bridget Whiteside**

Sixth Form: Classical

**Noah Abbott
Eleanor Bass
Edith Bullock
Oscar Bycroft
Iteoluwakiishi Efunwoye
Ava Friel
Erina Hennessy
Magnus Irwin
Jack Lines
Kumar Searight
Estella Smith
Grace Thubron
Sam Ward**

Sixth Form: Contemporary

**Jacek Andrzejczak
James Bartholomew
Florence (Flo) Blake
Edith Bullock
Jasmine Camis
Amy Conroy
Calli Davies x2
Oliver Davis
Yasmin Day
Nevaeh Donaldson Seales
Alexandra Draper
Harry Ellis
Thomas Else**

**Charlotte Fisher
Caterina Guerreiro
Rei Harris
Celia Harvey
Erina Hennessy
Sam Henshall
Mathilde Hermosa
Leo Hunter
Paula Ilagha
Magnus Irwin
Hollie Kallmann
Tanusri Kondapally
Ether Leviten
Julia Likierman
Louis Maria
Lily Mayo
Oscar McCallum
Maya Minocha
Jenna Moon
Mary Ndembe
Kate-Louise Ortega
Rose Parker
Nadine Pedrick
Marielle Pollard
Leila Powell
Skyla Mae Rawle
Amy Reed
Aoife Reilly
Eve Riley
Jack Rushfirth
Claudette Russell
Ivy Sawyer
amber Schofield
Varvara Sidorova x2
Max Simonis-Pilipovich
Millie Sketty
Estella Smith
Alex Summers
Poppy Taylor
Grace Taylor
Audrey Tsantilis Lodge
Zeynep Tursucu
Ercheng Yang**

Sixth Form: Original

**Oliver Mitchell
Savanha Pritchard**

Sixth Form: Screen

**Eleanor Bass
Joseph Ennis
Leah Holmes
Hana Khan
Tia Lodwick
Jenna Moon
Krishnan Naithilath
Grace Offen
Yeva Pukas
Sophie Rawlings
Jack Rushfirth
Emily Swanson
Beth Watt
Edward Whitty Bowskill**

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The Methuen Drama School & Group Prize is awarded to the National Winning school or group, recognising the overall standard and quality of monologues submitted by their students.

The winning school or group will receive the National Trophy, £250 worth of Methuen Drama books, invitations to the National Final, and more.

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Bishop Stortford College

East Midlands

Lambstail Youth Theatre

Greater London

Haberdasher Girl's

North East

Cramlington Learning Village

North West

Abbey Gate College

Northern Ireland

Sheridan's Stage School

Scotland

Morrison's Academy

South East

Highdown School & Sixth Form Centre

South West

Wellington School

Wales

Dean Close St. Johns

West Midlands

PQA Rugby

Yorkshire & The Humber

Ackworth School

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East of England

Bishop Stortford College
Brentwood School
Stowe School
The Beacon School
The Marlborgh Science Academy
Watford Grammar School

East Midlands

Lambstail Youth Theatre
Wootton Park School

Greater London

Chiswick School
Haberdasher Girl's
Josie Brightwell Theatre
PQA Uxbridge
Royal Ballet School
SOAR (Performance Academy)
The Norwood School
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North East

Cramlington Learning Village
Thorp Academy

North West

Abbey Gate College
Formby High School
HbActing
PQA Chester
Rossall School
St. Aidan's CofE High School

Northern Ireland

Sheridan's Stage School

Wales

Dean Close St. Johns

Scotland

Elmaz Productions
Livingstone Village Primary
Morrison's Academy

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Ashford Prep.
Bloxham School
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Luckley House School
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**This year we have been lucky enough to have
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PQA (Pauline Quirke Academy) is one of the UK's leading weekend performing arts academies for young people, offering training in comedy & drama, musical theatre and film & television.

With academies across the country, PQA provides a supportive and creative environment where young performers can develop confidence, skills and a love of the performing arts.

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Developing Young Performers

National Youth Monologues offers high-quality training opportunities for young actors aged 9–19. Running alongside the competition, our programmes support skill development, confidence, and creative growth through flexible online training and in-person intensives.

Summer School 2026

The National Youth Monologues Summer School is a week-long programme of inspiring theatre training in London, created exclusively for students entering the National Youth Monologues competition.

Open to KS2–3 and KS4–5 students, the Summer School offers high-quality, age-appropriate training led by experienced theatre practitioners in a supportive and professional environment.

Students can take part through two pathways:

- Open Studio – a week of practical training open to all competition entrants
- Scholars Programme – a selective, invitation-only pathway for students recognised for outstanding performance in the competition.

Running alongside the competition, the Summer School provides an exciting opportunity to develop performance skills, build confidence, and connect with other young performers from across the UK.

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Consistency is one of the most important parts of an actor's development — but knowing what to work on and how can be difficult without regular guidance.

The Studio is an on-demand monthly performance hub designed to support young actors as they develop monologues, build audition skills, and practise independently with clarity and confidence.

Each month offers a clear focus, fresh material, and professional insight to help performers stay active and engaged all year round.

Inside The Studio, members have access to curated monologues and scenes, short professional guidance videos, model performances, and monthly interviews with working actors and drama school students.

Practical challenges and an expanding resource library support regular practice, while the Greenroom provides a supportive online space to reflect and connect with other young actors in the same age group.

**NATIONAL YOUTH
MONOLOGUES**

Preparing Actors for Drama School

Actor's Nest provides expert training and guidance for aspiring actors aged 16–19 who are preparing to audition for the UK's leading drama schools.

Through intensive training, personalised feedback and clear insight into the audition process, we help talented young actors develop the craft, confidence and understanding required to succeed.

Our Training Pathway

Actor's Nest offers a structured pathway designed to support actors at each stage of their preparation for drama school.



An online masterclass designed to explain how drama school auditions really work.

Students gain practical advice on monologue selection, self-tapes and the overall application process.

For many actors, this session provides the clarity needed to approach the year ahead with confidence.



A focused one-day training experience for actors who are beginning to develop their audition material.

Through practical coaching and detailed feedback, students refine their monologues and gain a deeper understanding of how to approach their performances.

Includes an online preparatory session and optional follow-up support.



Our flagship 12-week programme for serious applicants preparing to audition in the current cycle.

Students receive sustained training, personalised feedback and structured guidance as they develop and refine their audition material.

This programme supports actors through the most important stage of their preparation.

Alongside our core programmes, Actor's Nest offers targeted coaching and assessment services, including self-tape assessments, private coaching and mock audition panels.

Thanks to:

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Tamsin Stanley
Federation of Drama Schools

Nick Humby
Chair of the Board of Trustees, Trafalgar Trust

Zoë Templeman-Young
Director / Dramaturg

Geovanna Lewin-Rowe
Actor

The National Youth Monologues Team

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Marcus Condrón
Martin Blakelock

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