

LAMDA at Act Out Performing Arts

What is Lamda?

LAMDA (London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art) is a renowned drama school in London, offering Full Time Courses for adults: www.lamda.org.uk

What is a Lamda Exam?

LAMDA have been offering practical examinations in communication and performance subjects for over 130 years. They work in a similar way to music exams and cover a range of disciplines. At Muswell Hill School of Performing Arts, we will offer exams in:

- Acting
- Speaking Verse and Prose

Exam Level	Grade	Advised Year Group
Introductory Examinations		Reception
Entry Level		Year 3
Level 1	1, 2 & 3	Years 4 - 6
Level 2	4 & 5	Years 7 - 8
Level 3	6,7&8	Years 9 +
	(Bronze, Silver & Gold Medal)	

What are the benefits of Lamda Classes

They aim to develop lifelong skills including:

- Achievement & Empowerment
- Self-confidence
- The ability to communicate clearly and present ideas
- An appreciation of literature and support creative, intellectual and social development.
- Recognised qualification & UCAS Points (see Below)
- See more at: https://www.lamda.ac.uk/lamda-exams

LAMDA EXAMS & UCAS POINTS

LAMDA's Level 3 recognised qualifications are included in the current UCAS Tariff. Points are assigned by grade and by attainment level (Pass (P), Merit (M) or Distinction (D)).

Here is the link: https://www.lamda.ac.uk/lamda-exams/learners/ucas



What happens in a Lamda class

Students work with an experienced Lamda teacher.

New students will spend the first session reading extracts or poems so their teacher can assess which grade to enter them in. Once this has been decided, the students will choose speeches, which are set by Lamda based on the grade level. Once chosen, the piece/s must be learned by heart. Week by week, their teacher will work on each piece individually and give advice and notes on how to improve it. Students will be required to work on their pieces in between classes.

Class Sizes

<u>Group classes</u>: made up of 2 or 3 students. They give students the opportunity to learn from each other and become familiar with the different pieces their classmates are studying.

<u>Private classes</u>: one-on-one. The student is offered a focused and detailed class, without the distraction of others.

Timings

Our Lamda sessions run from 20-45 minutes, depending on group size and grade level. Classes are relatively short, due to the focused nature and group sizes. Please see below for our timetable.

Exams

Students are entered into exams throughout year, and offered the opportunity to perform in the North London Festival of Speech and Drama.

What happens in a Lamda exam?

Act Out will submit students for their exams, choosing a convenient date which gives them plenty of time to prepare. There will be an additional cost to cover the exam fee.

Where possible, we will try to offer a North/East London Centre; where this is not possible, exams are taken at Lamda's Public Centre in Hammersmith.

During a Lamda exam, candidates will perform the piece/pieces they have been working on and learned; followed by a discussion with an external examiner. The performance element will consist of monologue/s or scene/s (Acting option) or recital of a poem & prose piece (Verse and Prose.) The number of pieces and level of difficulty increases as the Grades progress, from a short poem and an informal chat at the early grades; to 2/3 pieces (including Shakespeare) at the higher grades, followed by a formal discussion about acting technique and theory.

Price List

Length	Class size	Recommended	Price per student	
20 minute	Private	Introductory - Level 1	£	150.00
30 minute	Group	Introductory - Level 1	£	150.00
30 minute	Private	Level 2 and 3	£	200.00
45 minute	Group	Level 2 and 3	£	160.00