



Dear YFA team,

I wanted to express my sincere thanks for the superb week Kai had while attending his first YFA Summer Camp.

He learned so many facets of acting, but best of all, I think he realised the passion he really does have for screen acting. He made lasting friendships and was able to take away so many skills he can now use for future castings.

As an amateur actor, this was his first opportunity to really hone his screen acting skills and he simply loved it, emailing me mid-week saying "please sign me up for two weeks next summer".

Bravo to the entire team for helping to make dreams come true! We will see you again next year."

Mother of Kai, 15 Acting Crew



EAT, SLEEP, BREATHE MOVIES

At Young Film Academy (YFA), we believe that passion for the things you will excel at starts early.

We also believe that movies possess a kind of magic. We feel it when we watch them. But to be part of the team creating one? That's something very special.

Over the past 20 years, our amazing team of YFA film industry professionals has helped over 250,000 young actors and filmmakers aged 13-17 complete and screen their first movies.

Filmmaking is a creative team sport and we've seen our students grow as people on their film sets: working in teams with passion and focus, learning to collaborate, taking responsibility, gaining confidence from performance, making new friends, learning important digital skills which will serve them in whatever career they choose. We've been proud to witness some amazing personal development stories.

We also know that promising young actors always tell us how hard it is for them for get practical experience acting on screen. Performing in film and television requires different techniques to stage acting, and gaining experience in front of camera can hugely benefit young actors and actresses looking to build their confidence, skills and portfolio.

Which is why each summer, YFA transforms a beautiful boarding school close to London into a state-of-the-art movie studio for young actors and filmmakers aged 13-14 & 15-17. Two weeks of non-stop filmmaking fun (1 or 2-week options available) where students can eat, sleep, breathe - and make - movies.

For young people who love films, whether it's creating them, acting in them, or just being part of the team, YFA Summer Camp is a dream come true.

I hope you'll join us to make magic this summer!

James Walker
Co-founder & CEO, Young Film Academy



Thank you Young Film Academy for giving me the opportunity to work with so many people who are as passionate about creating films as I am. I can honestly say that the last two years of YFA summer camps combined have been the best four weeks of my life. You have helped me learn so much about myself and realise that creating films is what I love doing!"

Megan, 17Filmmaking Crew





YFA CAMP SUMMARY

Ages: 13-14, 15-17

Venue: Culford School

Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk IP28 6TX, United Kingdom

Approx 2 hours from central London by car, or 2 hours by train

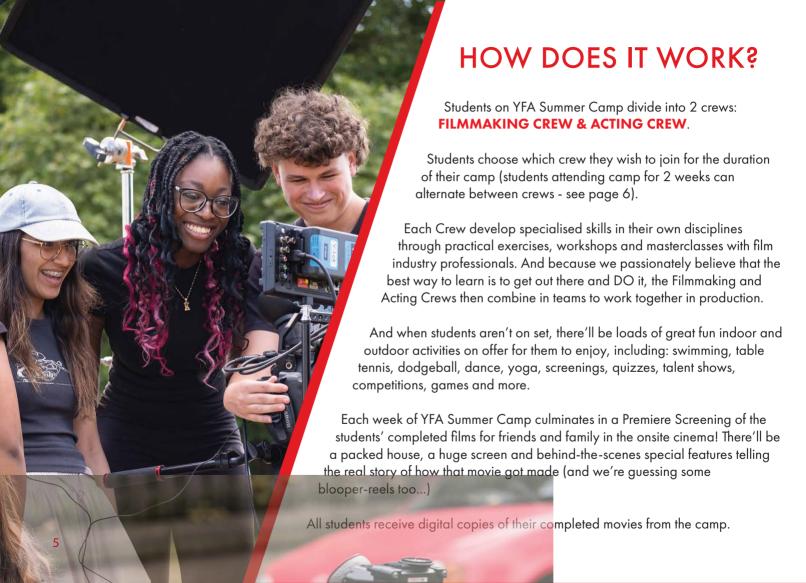
Dates:

1 week camp £1690

Sunday 3rd August – Sunday 10th August 2025 Sunday 10th August – Sunday 17th August 2025

2 week camp £3270

Sunday 3rd August – Sunday 17th August 2025



FILMMAKING CREW (ages 13-14, 15-17)

For aspiring filmmakers

Students in the **Filmmaking Crew** will develop the hands-on creative and technical skills they need to take a movie from initial concept to premiere screening.

Students will learn from professional YFA filmmakers in all aspects of filmmaking, from storytelling and screenwriting, through camera operating and sound recording, right through all-important editing, special FX and post-production techniques.

Running their own film sets, the **Filmmaking Crew** will work together with the **Acting Crew**, using professional equipment.

ACTING CREW (ages 13-14, 15-17)

For aspiring actors

Students in the **Acting Crew** will develop and practise the performance skills needed to act with impact on screen. Students will learn from professional YFA acting coaches in all aspects of performance for film and TV.

Students in the **Acting Crew** will then take roles in the short films produced by the **Filmmaking Crew**.

Acting Crew students will receive copies of all the movies they have roles in, to build their screen-acting showreels.

As well as film and TV acting techniques, Acting Crew students will produce a live 'YFA's Got Talent' show at the end of each week, in the main theatre.

Filmmaking Crew

Ages 13-14	Ages 15-17			
1-week programme	1-week programme			
2-week programme*	2-week in-depth programme			

Acting Crew

Ages 13-14	Ages 15-17		
1-week programme	1-week programme		
2-week programme*	2-week in-depth programme		

^{*}To create a 2-week programme, students aged 13-14 combine one week of acting with one week of filmmaking.

FILMMAKING CREW

Skills covered:

- scriptwriting
- story boarding
- production management
- directing
- working with actors
- set etiquette
- cinematography
- lighting
- sound recording
- editing
- visual FX
- sound mixing
- picture grading
- titling
- marketing
- careers advice

ACTING CREW

Skills covered:

- understand differences between stage and screen acting methods
- gain confidence in front of camera
- prepare for a film shoot
- hair & make-up
- using costume & props to develop character
- physicalisation of your character
- fight choreography
- stunt choreography
- work with directors
- blocking & sight-lines
- improvisation
- set etiquette
- voice-over
- audition and screen-test preparation
- event management
- careers advice
- audition and screen test

Also included:

Students' films will have access to professional lights and grip equipment, including dolly & track, jib arm, sliders and a fully lit green screen studio, as well as collections of Hollywood post-production sound and visual FX.

ONE WEEK TWO WEEKS

Filmmaking 1 week Create a short film

- Story structure
- · Camera work & lighting
- · Editing & post-production

Acting 1 week Act in a short film

- Work with directors
 - Improvisation
- Produce/perform in
 1 talent show

Filmmaking 2 weeks Create an extended short film

- Advanced narrative development
 - Write a short film screenplay
 - Camera work & lighting
 - 3 days of on-set production
 - Editing, post-production,
 & picture grading

Acting 2 weeks Act in an extended short film

- Work with directors
- Improvisation & self-taping
- 3 days of on-set production
 - Produce/perform in 2 talent shows
- Behind-the-Camera module

A typical week at Young Film Academy Summer Camp

Time	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8 - 8.50 am	Screening	Breakfast	- Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
9.00 - 9.15am		Assembly					
9.15 - 10.45am		Workshops	Workshops	Shooting	Pre-Production	Shooting/Post- Production	Workshops
10.45 - 11.15am	Screening	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
11.15 - 12.45pm		Workshops	Workshops	Workshops	Pre-Production	Shooting/Post- Production	Workshops
12.45 - 1.45 pm	Arrival/ Departure day	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1.45 - 3.45pm		Workshops	Workshops	Shooting	Shooting	Post- production	Rehearsal
4.15 - 6pm		Sports/ Activities	Sports/ Activities	Free Time	Sports/ Activities	Sports/ Activities	Free Time
6 - 7pm	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner
7 - 7.30pm	Free time	Free time	Free time	Free time	Free time	Free time	Free time
7.30 - 9.15/9.45pm	Evening activities	Evening activities	Evening activities	Mystery Movie Night	Evening activities	Evening activities	Talent Show

Thank you all so much for an absolutely incredible week with Young Film Academy. Sam has come home totally inspired and extremely keen to return next year! He has talked about every aspect of the course in great detail and has said it was everything and more than he hoped it would be!"

Mother of Sam, 13 Acting Crew

"I just wanted to say a great big "thank you" to all the staff who made the YFA Summer Camp happen. My son Jalaal said it was the best week of his life and he wants to go back next year. I see such a difference in his confidence, his self-esteem, and his aspirations for the future. We will be back next year...for two weeks this time! Thank you so much for everything!

Mother of Jalaal, 17
Filmmaking Crew



ACCOMMODATION & FACILITIES

Culford School is a leading UK independent boarding school set in 480 acres of magnificent grounds, 95 minutes outside London and 45 minutes from Cambridge.

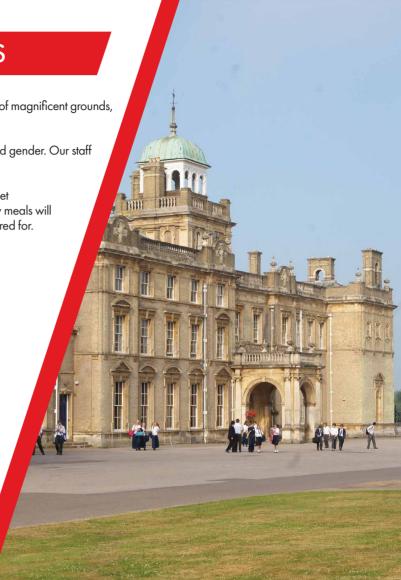
Traditional shared boarding accommodation is separated according to age and gender. Our staff sleep in rooms adjacent to the students' accommodation.

Separate common rooms and areas for relaxing are provided. Wi-fi and internet access are available throughout the site. Great food is a priority and three daily meals will be served in the nuts-free dining hall. Food allergies or intolerances will be catered for.

The school's extensive grounds and facilities include:

- two theatres (including onsite cinema)
- performing arts centre
- dance studio
- large heated indoor swimming pool
- fully-equipped indoor sports hall with badminton and basketball courts
- sports fields and tennis courts















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Dear YFA team,

I just wanted to say a massive thank you to the whole team for Archie's amazing experience at the YFA Summer Camp. We departed on Sunday rather apprehensive only to return the following week to find him buzzing with enthusiasm.

He made wonderful friendships, found confidence, took part in lots of new activities & learnt a lot about filmmaking.

It really was a life-changing experience for him on so many levels."

Mother of Archie, 13
Filmmaking Crew





THINKING ABOUT ENROLLING?

To apply, visit: www.youngfilmacademy.co.uk/courses/residential-summer-camp



Students on YFA Summer Camp will:

- learn screen acting and filmmaking techniques from experts in the UK film industry
- use professional filmmaking equipment to create and act in their own movies
- work creatively in teams
- gain confidence and a sense of achievement
- make new friends
- immerse themselves in the art, craft and magic of cinema
- have loads of fun!!

What does YFA Summer Camp include?

- full board and lodging
- filmmaking tuition from industry professionals
- professional filmmaking and editing equipment
- games, sports and cultural activities
- digital copies of your completed work
- tickets for the Premiere Showcase Screening at the end of camp

ABOUT YOUNG FILM ACADEMY (YFA)

Young Film Academy (YFA) is Europe's leading provider of practical filmmaking education to young people aged 5-19.

YFA

 helps over 15,000 young people each year complete their first films across the UK

• is linked directly to the UK Film industry

 works with partners including Canon, British Council, BBC, Tate Gallery & Barbican Centre in London

 runs acting and filmmaking programmes in over 200 leading schools across the UK

 has a dedicated team of DBS checked staff, all currently working in the UK film industry



popcorn Badminton Football Basketball sports

FUN singing singing Disco night of premiere of table tennis dancing make new friends fashion shaped create memories of spooky respectively.

make new friends fashion show

create memories of spooky nights Cinema of Talent show Movie Quizzes

arts and craf

theme nights

House teams

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