



The Sue Welshman Bursary

Sue Welshman, former Cheshire drama adviser and champion of young people's theatre and educational drama, was a force to be reckoned with when it came to creating accessible, enjoyable theatre at grassroots level. She inspired children, educators and arts professionals from as far afield as South Africa, and the ripples of her influence on the careers of the young people she worked with can still be seen and felt today.

Her commitment to inclusive policies at a time when drama provision was regarded by many as elitist, her enthusiasm and innovativeness in her productions and her determination to make meaningful relationships and links between youth or grassroots groups from around the world continues to inspire the work that we do at **Off the Ground Youth Theatre**.

With that in mind, we have launched The Sue Welshman Bursary scheme, for our youth theatre students, or would-be students, and their families, that are currently unable to afford the term fees. The bursary is available in two forms, a half grant or a full grant toward one term's fees. There is no limit to the number of times, terms per year, or terms *ad infinitum* that a student can be considered for the bursary scheme. We would ask, however, that should circumstances change and the bursary is no longer needed, students and their families are considerate to the fact that unnecessary claiming of a bursary can negatively impact other student's chances of success, who may be more in need of financial aid.

We don't ask for any proof of finances, income or otherwise when considering who is eligible for the bursary scheme, just honesty with regards to means.

Student Name: _____

YT Group: ☐ Tuesday

Please use the tick boxes below to indicate which level of grant you would like to apply for:

☐ Wednesday ☐ Thursday

☐ Full grant amount (£220) ☐ Half grant amount (£110)

I apply for this grant in good faith, that it is required and is not being used unnecessarily. I understand that, upon successful application of the grant, no funds will be awarded to me, but will be deducted from the corresponding term's youth theatre fees. I agree to pay any outstanding fees after these deductions.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Email Address: _____



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