

Education Department: Guiding the Next Generation of Artists

Theatre educators and teaching artists in SCR's Theatre Conservatory take on the responsibility of passing on the craft to younger generations. Working to share their passion with others, teaching artists help their students discover their voices.

SCR's Education Department is Responsible for

- Running the Theatre Conservatory programs for kids, teens and adults
- Producing three full productions each year, performed by Conservatory students
- Coordinating school-time matinee performances for Theatre for Young Audiences shows
- Coordinating the Theatre Access program, which provides free tickets to select student groups
- Helping manage the theatre's educational and community engagement activities

Jobs in the Education Department

- Conservatory and Educational Programs Director
- Director of Acting Intensive Program
- Conservatory Manager
- Conservatory and Educational Programs Associate
- Conservatory Assistant
- Teaching Artists

How to Get Into this Field

There are many paths to becoming a theatre educator. At SCR, our teachers are trained and experienced artists—including actors, playwrights, directors, musicians and choreographers. Our Programs Director suggests that you find other artists who inspire you and work with people whom you admire artistically. Find classes or training that will guide you to discover and develop your own “voice” as an artist. Experience the world and learn as much as you can about history, diverse cultures, languages, psychology and more so that you have a broad foundation that will inform your art. Most theatre educators will need at least an undergraduate degree and professional experience. Network—get to know others in theatre and make connections.

Qualities That May Help

- Strong passion for the theatre (including acting and storytelling)
- Detail oriented; desire to be challenged, willing to take risks
- Committed, with an enthusiastic work ethic
- Strong, but flexible, leader
- Good communication skills; ability to work well with people
- Desire to help others grow and succeed
- Intellectually curious