



Auditions are now open for our upcoming student show!

**About the production:** Our 2017 winter showcase will replace the usual Halloween Show on this year's calendar of events. Directed by National Centre for Circus Arts graduate Lauren Hendry, this event will showcase our students' talents in a chilly winter wonderland. Unlike previous shows, we've increased the amount of rehearsal time for students taking part in the production to 25 hours (previously 10 - 14 hours).

**Auditions: Wednesday 4th October: 9 - 10pm**

For the audition we ask students to show something they are either already working on or to put together a small sequence of moves to present, which demonstrates what you can do in your chosen discipline. There is no pressure of having a full polished routine complete so don't worry if you haven't thought about music or costume you can just show us what you can do. Once you have demonstrated your skill you will then discuss in a group with the director ideas for the showcase and start planning the next steps for the show!

**To confirm your attendance at the audition on 4th Oct, please email Nicola Lawton at [nicola@aerialedge.co.uk](mailto:nicola@aerialedge.co.uk) detailing what skills you will be showcasing and any equipment you will require during the audition.**

**Production plan:** Following on from the audition and discussions of what you are interested in exploring through the showcase, Lauren will work with you to direct and devise the show concentrating on character, ground work and linking your routines. We'll also have an aerial teacher available for the whole rehearsal sessions to work on any specific aerial transitions for the show. The rehearsal process is not designed for you to devise a routine and you should consider working closely with your class teacher if you need help in your regular class time or utilise open training sessions\*

(\*over 16's only)

**About the director:** Lauren is a graduate of the National Centre for Circus Arts, specialising in Acrobalance. Originally from a gymnastics background, Lauren created and toured acrobatic theatre with So and So Circus Theatre until 2013, where through visiting some 100 venues on her travels, she has built up a picture of the landscape of venues and festivals across the country.



She now works with companies including Circus Geeks to make and tour new circus work throughout the UK. Lauren recently directed Aerial Edge's Youth Circus Show for the Merchant City Festival 2017, and will also direct the Aerial Edge Youth Xmas Show.

**Price:** The cost of participating in the show is £199.

We have taken on board feedback from our last shows that the rehearsal period needs to be longer and that the rig is required for the full time, therefore this price does include double the amount of rehearsal time previously offered an full exclusivity of using the rig area as well as our usual overheads of hiring a director, sound and light production, a rigger, aerial teachers, marketing, promotional material, a photographer, and equipment. We have also included a small budget to put towards costume & props.

We want to make it as affordable as possible for people taking part in our shows so we put the donations from the door straight back into the budget. This is our biggest budget yet with lots of extra's for students that we have not previously been able to offer!

### **Rehearsal Schedule:**

Friday 13th October: 7.30 - 9.30pm

Saturday 14th October: 1.30 - 3.30pm

Friday 20th October: 7.30 - 9.30pm

Saturday 21st October: 2 - 4pm

Wednesday 25th October: 9 - 10pm

Friday 27th October: 7.30 - 9.30pm

Friday 3rd November: 7.30 - 9.30pm

Sunday 5th November: 2 - 4pm

Wednesday 8th November: 9 - 10pm

Friday 10th November: 7.30 - 9.30pm

Friday 17th November: 7.30 - 9.30pm

Wednesday 22nd November: 9 - 10pm

Friday 24th November: 7.30 - 9.30pm

Saturday 25th November: 2-4pm + show call time of 6.30pm (subject to change)

Show starts 8pm (doors 7.30pm)

**Got Questions?** The point of contact for this production is **Nicola Lawton**, the Aerial Edge Events Manager. Any questions about the show outside of rehearsal time should be directed to Nicola either in person or by email to [nicola@arialedge.co.uk](mailto:nicola@arialedge.co.uk).

Questions about open training time and class attendance can be directed to our office [info@arialedge.co.uk](mailto:info@arialedge.co.uk) or 01414338006.