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Hijinx, a not-for-profit professional theatre company, casts learning disabled actors in award-winning productions which tour the world.

We have a network of 60+ trained actors alongside over 70 community participants around Wales who have learning and developmental disabilities including Down's Syndrome, Autism and Asperger's Syndrome.

This is a brilliant opportunity to join our pool of freelance Tutors and Assistant Facilitators at Hijinx, one of the UK's leading inclusive theatre makers and providers of performance training for actors with learning disabilities and/or autism.

Hijinx Academies provide the only professional performance training course in Wales for learning disabled and/or autistic actors and we provide opportunities that you won't find anywhere else. We run five Academies across Wales, with over 60 Actors in training. Drama Foundations provides the opportunity to learn essential life skills and confidence through drama, music and movement; we currently run three groups. Alongside, we run two young people's theatre groups (Bangor and Cardiff) and our inclusive community theatre group Odyssey in Cardiff.

Our North based Academy activities run every Monday and Tuesday, 10am – 4pm (only breaking for a week at Christmas and New Year). Sessions are currently held at TAPE Community Music and Film in Colwyn Bay. In response to Covid-19 there have been some temporary changes to the schedule, but these are within the times mentioned above.



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Tutors

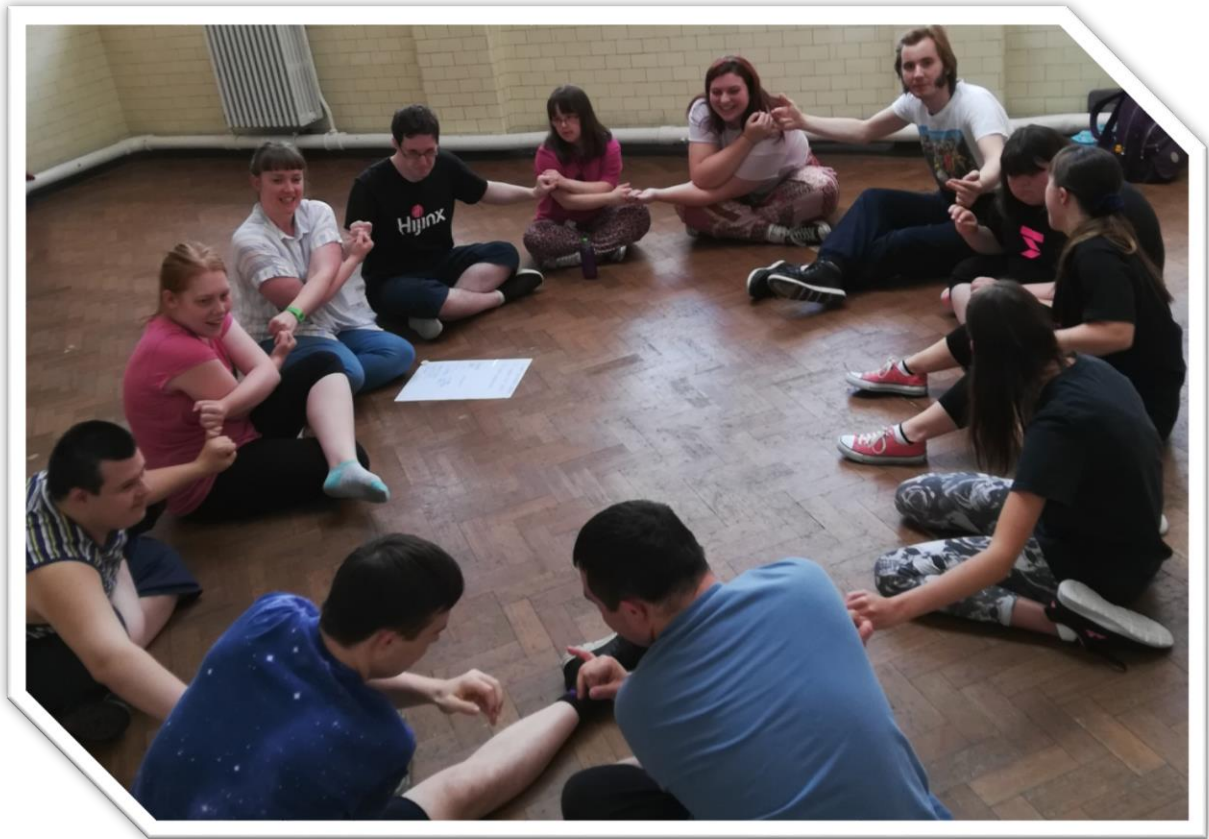
Hijinx are looking for established performance artists currently working within the industry to tutor on their North based Academy course.

There is no official curriculum, therefore our tutors can focus on whatever their specialism is. Tutors plan and lead the session in their chosen specialism in consultation with the Academy Director.

Advantages to becoming a Hijinx tutor:

- You get to work with our incredible cohort of learning disabled and/or neurodivergent actors.
- You get the chance to expand/explore your own practice and learn more about working in an inclusive environment.
- There is no official curriculum, therefore our tutors can focus on whatever their specialism is.
- Our tutors can become involved in other Hijinx projects, whether as part of our devising teams, or to lead on their own projects with us.
- Flexibility - We rota on a termly basis based on our tutor's availability, allowing you plenty of time to plan your other commitments around your tutoring.
- We understand that as freelancers, occasionally opportunities come up which cannot be turned down, therefore we are happy for cover to be arranged from our pool of tutors when necessary.
- Through working with Hijinx our Tutors are able to access regular Safeguarding Level 2 and First Aid at Work training.
- All Tutors also have access to our Employee Assistance Programme (EAP) and other freelancer support channels.
- We also have our North Young People's Theatre and Drama Foundation groups operating in the area, so once an Academy Tutor there may be the opportunity to span all North based activity.

Our tutor rates are £170 per day, or £85 per half day inclusive of travel. An Academy Day typically runs from 9.30am - 4.30pm



Assistant Facilitators

We are looking for individuals who are good team players, with effective communication skills and a background/knowledge of the arts to join our pool of freelancers as Assistant Facilitators in the North. Assistant Facilitators assist the tutor by ensuring all participants are following the session and can engage and participate fully; often they join in with the exercises and lead by example.

The Assistant Facilitator is also the first port of call to deal with any behavioural issues or incidents that may arise in session, so the Tutor is able to keep the overall session on track. The Assistant Facilitator is responsible for registers and daily logs which are entered electronically through Salesforce.

Advantages of being a Hijinx Assistant Facilitator include:

- You get to work with our incredible cohort of learning disabled and/or neurodivergent actors.
- You get the chance to expand/explore your own practice and learn more about working in an inclusive environment.
- You get to work with and learn from established artists currently working within the industry.
- Our Assistant Facilitators sometimes have the opportunity to become involved in other Hijinx projects as part of the devising and support team.
- Flexibility - We rota on a termly basis based on our Assistant Facilitators availability, allowing you plenty of time to plan your other commitments around your work with Hijinx. However, we understand that as freelancers occasionally opportunities come up which cannot be turned down, therefore we are happy for cover to be arranged from our pool of Assistant Facilitators when necessary.

- Through working with Hijinx our Assistant Facilitators are able to access regular Safeguarding Level 2 and First Aid at Work training.
- All Assistant Facilitators also have access to our Employee Assistance Programme (EAP) and other freelancer support channels.
- We also have our North Young People's Theatre and Drama Foundation groups operating in the area, so once an Academy Assistant Facilitator there may be the opportunity to span all North based activity.

Our Assistant Facilitator rate of pay is £80 per day, or £40 per half day inclusive of travel. An Academy Day typically runs from 9.30am - 4.30pm

If you are interested in either of these opportunities, please contact amy.griggs@hijinx.org.uk for more information.