



PARAMOUNT
SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

FALL CLASSES 2021

THEATER / MUSIC / DANCE / ALL AGES



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available!

FALL SEMESTER
Sept 7–December 18
No classes November 23–27



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2
CLASSES
5% OFF EACH

3
CLASSES
8% OFF EACH

4
OR MORE CLASSES
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JESSICA DUPLESSIS
Director of Education

HELLO STUDENTS AND FAMILIES,

We are so excited to welcome everyone back for IN-PERSON lessons this fall.

All of our fall programming has been created with our students and community in mind. We have classes for many ages and abilities and lots of exciting add-ons and community engagement programs to add to your family calendars.

We have designed our programs around smaller class sizes to ensure that each student receives personalized attention to assist in the growth of their arts education.

We will be following the guidelines for schools as laid out by the IDPH for schools regarding health and safety precautions. We are aware that these guidelines can and will change. We will be monitoring these guidelines and keep all of our families, staff, and community informed of any changes to our policies and procedures.

We are thrilled to be hosting our fall programming in person and are here to answer any questions you may have. Thank you for allowing us to be part of your arts education journey.

BIG HUGS,
Team Education

WELCOME

AUDITION DATES:
AUGUST 14 & 15

YOUTH THEATER CONSERVATORY

Youth Theater Conservatory (YTC) is a three-year training program for middle school students in grades 6-8. It's for students with a passion for singing, dancing, and acting who need to express their creativity. Over three years, students build a strong foundation in intermediate and advanced classes in musical theater. This program is fantastic preparation for students interested in auditioning for Musical Theater Institute, our high-school pre-professional training program.

The Fall program is a year-long commitment and will run in both of our fall and spring semesters.

YOUTH THEATER CONSERVATORY YEAR 1

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| Grades 6-8 | W | Sep 8-Dec 15 | 5-7p | \$450* |
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YTC Year 1 is for our first-year YTC Company Members. This semester includes coursework in *Acting Foundations 1* and *Musical Theater Techniques*. Students will work with their teachers on creating a solid foundation for their acting skills as well as work on voice and song development. Students will learn musical theater techniques through group and solo work. 14 Week Session

YOUTH THEATER CONSERVATORY YEAR 2

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| Grades 6-8 | W | Sep 8-Dec 15 | 5-7p | \$450* |
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YTC Year 2 is for our second-year YTC Company Members. This semester YTC students will continue work during *Acting Foundations 2* building on previous skills learned in their Year 1 coursework, as well as furthering the musical theater techniques experience which will include song selection and scene creation. 14 Week Session

YOUTH THEATER CONSERVATORY YEAR 3

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| Grades 6-8 | W | Sep 8-Dec 15 | 7-9p | \$450* |
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NEW THIS FALL! YTC Year 3 will include an introduction to voice and speech coursework and group voice studio. This class is all about bringing our students together in creating pieces of group vocal performances to be showcased at the end of the semester. 14 Week Session

* Price per semester





MUSICAL THEATER INSTITUTE

Musical Theater Institute (MTI) is a pre-professional training program designed for high school students in grades 9–12 who are looking to make a career in musical theater. This is the most comprehensive training program outside of Chicago. Our four-year program prepares students to go on to the best college training programs in the country or to venture out into the professional theater world.

MUSICAL THEATER INSTITUTE YEAR 1

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| Grades 9-12 | M | Sep 13–Dec 13 | 5–7p | \$450* |
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No Class Sep 6

The fall semester of the year-long *MTI Year 1* program starts with classes in *Fundamentals of Acting* and voice and speech. Students will combine the materials covered in both of these classes to work on partner and group scene work as well as monologue selection and presentation. Students will learn to find their voice and apply it to the materials presented to them inside and outside of the classroom. 14 Week Session

MUSICAL THEATER INSTITUTE YEAR 2

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| Grades 9-12 | M | Sep 13–Dec 13 | 5–7p | \$450* |
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No Class Sep 6

The fall semester of the year-long *MTI Year 2* program incorporates *Fundamentals of Acting 2* with text analysis. Students will continue their exploration of acting techniques and familiarize themselves with the process of analyzing texts in both scene and monologue work. 14 Week Session

MUSICAL THEATER INSTITUTE YEAR 3

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| Grades 9-12 | M | Sep 13–Dec 13 | 7–9p | \$450* |
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No Class Sep 6

NEW THIS FALL! The fall semester of the year-long *MTI Year 3* program will introduce a movement and stage combat class as well as dive into the works of Shakespeare. Students will love working through scene blocking and learning how important precise staging is in the production process. 14 Week Session

ACTING INSTITUTE YEAR 1

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| Grades 9-12 | TH | Sep 9–Dec 16 | 5–7p | \$375* |
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No Class Nov 25

NEW THIS FALL! *Acting Institute Year 1* is our acting program for high school students who want to work on stage plays and on-camera acting. 14 Week Session

The Fall program is a year-long commitment and will run in both of our fall and spring semesters. All students in MTI are required to take private voice lessons outside of classes.

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AUGUST 14 & 15



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PARAMOUNT DANCE PROJECT

Paramount Dance Project (PDP) is the official dance company of Paramount School of the Arts. PDP is for high school students in grades 9-12. This program combines intense technique sessions with an introduction to diverse styles of dance. Company members train four hours a week together as a company, with the opportunity to add a fifth hour of class by taking Injury Prevention free of charge. Members work on original pieces of choreography as a group, as well as solo work.

All company members also receive personalized assistance in preparation for college program auditions.

PDP TECHNIQUE TUESDAY

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|-----------------|---|--------------|------|--------|
| Grades 9-12 | T | Sep 7-Dec 14 | 5-7p | \$350* |
| No Class Nov 23 | | | | |

Paramount Dance Project Technique Tuesday is for PDP company members. This class will focus on exploring different styles of dance technique and training to improve the company members' skills repertoire as well as explore new tricks. 14 Week Session

PDP TONE IT THURSDAY

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| Grades 9-12 | TH | Sep 9-Dec 16 | 6-8p | \$350* |
| No Class Nov 25 | | | | |

Paramount Dance Project Tone it Thursdays is for PDP company members. This class focuses on toning the artistic muscles of our company members. Students will explore multiple styles of dance with the help of guest artists. Students will also explore improvisation and choreography to create their own dance pieces and perform them. 14 Week Session

* Price per semester



CREATIVE DRAMATICS

Ages 4-6 TH Sep 9-Nov 11 5-6p \$125

Developed for our younger students, *Creative Dramatics* incorporates play and exploration through movement, song and storytelling. 10 Week Session

KIDS TAKE THE STAGE

Ages 6-9 TH Sep 9-Nov 11 6-7p \$125

An acting-focused experience for our younger students, *Kids Take the Stage* will teach skills and techniques to prepare students to take the stage! 10 Week Session

BROADWAY BOUND!

Ages 9-11 TH Sep 9-Nov 11 6-7:30p \$200

Broadway Bound is our preparatory program for our YTC program or students interested in trying a musical theater class for the first time. This class explores acting, dance and singing through the study of musical theater scene work and development. 10 Week Session

BEGINNING ACTING

Ages 9-12 M Sep 13-Dec 13 5-6p \$200

No Class Sep 6

This class is for students who want to explore the early fundamentals of acting skills and techniques. Students will enjoy learning about scene work as well as monologue choice and execution through this 14-week course. 14 Week Session

INTERMEDIATE ACTING

Ages 12+ TH Sep 9-Dec 16 6-7p \$200

No Class Nov 25

Intermediate Acting is a semester-long class for students who have taken our beginning acting class. This class further explores acting techniques and skills and introduces voice and speech work to prepare students for our Acting Institute or our YTC/MTI programs. 14 Week Session

TECHNICAL THEATER INSTITUTE

Ages 12+ TH Sep 9-Dec 16 7-9p \$500

No Class Nov 25

NEW THIS FALL! *Technical Theater Institute* is a program for our middle school and high school students looking to further their experience in the technical aspects of theater production. Students will work with Paramount Theatre's own Technical Director Jason Pikscher as they explore the many aspects that bring live theater to life. This will include draft work, costume design and creation, lighting design, prop creation, and more. Material costs are included. 14 Week Session

KINKY BOOTS MASTERCLASS

Ages 16+ One Day Class: Saturday, Sep 11 10a-12p \$50/\$40

Put on your heels and learn to strut, pose, and dance your heart out. Learn choreography straight from our production of *Kinky Boots* as we welcome you to "just be, who you want to be" in our *Kinky Boots* Masterclass. \$50 for Non-PSA students and \$40 for PSA students.

CINDERELLA BROADWAY INTENSIVE

Our students will be whisked away through the enchanting tale of *Cinderella* through our custom Broadway Intensive. Students will enjoy classes with guest artists from the creative and artistic team of Paramount's own production of *Cinderella*. Our *Cinderella* Broadway Intensive dates will be announced soon.



LITTLE LEAPERS

Ages 4-6 T Sep 7-Nov 9 4:45-5:15p \$125

Students will explore aspects like skipping, turning, storytelling through movement, and of course leaping throughout their 30-minute dance class. This is the perfect class to introduce your child to the fun and the physicality of dance. 10 Week Session

JUNIOR TAP

Ages 8-12 T Sep 7-Dec 14 6-7p \$200

No Class Nov 23

A beginning tap class for young dancers! Explore the many ways you can make sounds and rhythms with your feet as well as introduce classic tap steps and skills to create those sounds. 14 Week Session

BEGINNING DANCE TECHNIQUE

Ages 8-12 T Sep 7-Dec 14 5:15-6p \$175

No Class Nov 23

Dancers will learn new vocabulary and skills in each class and transfer those skills into choreographed routines to share with family members throughout the semester on observation days. 14 Week Session

TEEN TAP

Ages 13-18 T Sep 7-Dec 14 7-8p \$200

No Class Nov 23

Teen Tap is for our teen dancers interested in furthering their experience with tap dance techniques. Students will work on improving classical tap steps and exploring rhythm creation through their own choreography. 14 Week Session

BALLET AND JAZZ TECHNIQUE YEAR 1

Grades 6-8 W Sep 8-Dec 15 7-8:30p \$250

No Class Nov 24

Ballet and Jazz Technique Year 1 is for YTC Year 1 company members and dancers looking to explore ballet and jazz techniques. This class is for students who have never taken formal dance training before, or who have had a break in their dance training and are looking to get back into weekly dance classes. 14 Week Session

BALLET AND JAZZ TECHNIQUE YEAR 2

Grades 6-8 W Sep 8-Dec 15 7-8:30p \$250

No Class Nov 24

Ballet and Jazz Technique Year 2 is for YTC Year 2 company members and dancers who have taken dance technique classes before. They will continue to expand their knowledge and experience as well as begin to explore new dance skills and tricks. 14 Week Session

DANCE CONDITIONING & CHOREOGRAPHY

Grades 6-8 W Sep 8-Dec 15 5:30-7p \$250

No Class Nov 24

Dance Conditioning and Choreography is for our YTC Year 3 company members and dancers who want to work on conditioning that will improve their strength, stamina and flexibility. Learn new choreography in many different styles of dance as well as explore student choreography techniques. 14 Week Session

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DANCE TECHNIQUE

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| Grades 9-12 | M | Sept 13-Dec 13 | 7-8:30p | \$250 |
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No Class Sep 6

Dance Technique is for our *MTI Year 1* company members and students looking to work on dance technique styles including ballet, jazz and tap. This class will meet each student where they are, introducing new skills and techniques each week that can be put to use in other dance classes. 14 Week Session

SPEED CHOREOGRAPHY

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| Grades 9-12 | M | Sept 13-Dec 13 | 5:30-7p | \$250 |
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No Class Sep 6

Speed Choreography is a class for our *MTI Year 3* company members and also for dancers who wish to sharpen their ability to learn choreography quickly. This class will teach many styles of choreography each week as well as incorporate mock dance calls. 14 Week Session

MUSICAL THEATER DANCE

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| Grades 9-12 | M | Sept 13-Dec 13 | 7-8:30p | \$250 |
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No Class Sep 6

Musical Theater Dance is for our *MTI Year 2* company members and dancers who want to learn choreography from different musicals. They will also study the history of musical theater classics and the styles that were made popular by many well-known choreographers. 14 Week Session

INJURY PREVENTION

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| Ages 14+ | TH | Sept 9-Dec 16 | 5-6p | \$200 |
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No Class Nov 25

NEW THIS FALL! *Injury Prevention for Performers* is the perfect class for all performers in musical theater, dance and acting. Work with our incredible instructor on the proper way to warm up your body, cool down your body, as well as learn ways to prevent injuries from occurring during demanding rehearsal processes. 14 Week Session



BEGINNING PIANO

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| Ages 8-10 | TH | Sept 9-Dec 16 | 5-6p | \$200 |
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No Class Nov 25

Looking to learn piano for the first time? Join us as you explore the fundamentals of the piano which includes key placement and learning to read music. 14 Week Session

INTERMEDIATE PIANO

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|------------|----|---------------|------|-------|
| Ages 10-12 | TH | Sept 9-Dec 16 | 6-7p | \$200 |
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No Class Nov 25

Intermediate Piano is for students who have taken piano lessons before or beginning piano at PSA previously. This class will continue to dive into the fundamentals of piano, learning both as a group and individually. 14 Week Session

Private voice and instrument lessons available! Open to both children and adults, students can work one-on-one with an instructor for the very best in music education. Enrollment is open year-round.



KINKY BOOTS MASTERCLASS

Ages 16+ One Day Class: Saturday, Sep 11 10a-12p \$50/\$40

Put on your heels and learn to strut, pose, and dance your heart out. Learn choreography straight from our production of *Kinky Boots* as we welcome you to “just be, who you want to be” in our *Kinky Boots* Masterclass. \$50 for Non-PSA students and \$40 for PSA students.

ADULT ACTING

Ages 18+ T Sep 7-Dec 14 7-8:30p \$200

No Class Nov 23

Adult Acting is a class for adults looking to explore acting techniques in scene work, monologues, and more. Learn to brush up on old skills or dive into acting fundamentals for the first time. 14 Week Session

ADULT IMPROV

Ages 18+ TH Sep 9-Dec 16 7-8p \$200

No Class Nov 25

Adult Improv is for our adult students looking to explore improvisation through acting. Work together on games and techniques that you can use in scene work and creation. 14 Week Session

ADULT TAP

Ages 18+ T Sep 7-Dec 14 8-9p \$200

No Class Nov 23

This is the perfect class for those looking to create or improve their tap talent. Join us on Tuesday nights to brush up on old tap skills, or gather with friends to explore tap for the first time. 14 Week Session

WERQ FITNESS

Ages 13+ F Sept 10-Dec 17 12-12:45p \$200

No Class Nov 25

Come break up your workday with a WERQ fitness class over lunch. You’ll learn fun fitness choreography that will get your heart rate up as you move to the latest hits. Purchase a semester pass or pay per class. We can’t wait to WERQ with YOU! 14 Week Session. Cost is \$200 or \$15 PER CLASS

ADULT PIANO

Ages 18+ TH Sep 9-Dec 16 7-8p \$200

No Class Nov 23

Are you an adult looking to learn piano for the first time? Or perhaps you have taken piano previously and want to brush up on some skills? *Adult Piano* at Paramount School of the Arts is perfect for you. Our interactive piano lab allows our instructors to teach to the whole group as well as work one-on-one with each student at their own pace. 14 Week Session

Private voice and instrument lessons available! Open to both children and adults, students can work one-on-one with an instructor for the very best in music education. Enrollment is open year-round.

2021 FALL SCHEDULE

PARAMOUNT SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

| AUDITION-BASED PROGRAMS | AGE | DAY | DATES | TIME | PRICE |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-----|---------------|------|-------|
| Youth Theater Conservatory Year 1 | Grades 6-8 | W | Sep 8-Dec 15 | 5-7p | \$450 |
| Youth Theater Conservatory Year 2 | Grades 6-8 | W | Sep 8-Dec 15 | 5-7p | \$450 |
| Youth Theater Conservatory Year 3 | Grades 6-8 | W | Sep 8-Dec 15 | 7-9p | \$450 |
| Musical Theater Institute Year 1 | Grades 9-12 | M | Sep 13-Dec 13 | 5-7p | \$450 |
| Musical Theater Institute Year 2 | Grades 9-12 | M | Sep 13-Dec 13 | 5-7p | \$450 |
| Musical Theater Institute Year 3 | Grades 9-12 | M | Sep 13-Dec 13 | 7-9p | \$450 |
| Acting Institute Year 1 | Grades 9-12 | TH | Sep 9-Dec 16 | 5-7p | \$375 |
| PDP Technique Tuesday | Grades 9-12 | T | Sep 7-Dec 14 | 5-7p | \$350 |
| PDP Tone it Thursday | Grades 9-12 | TH | Sep 9-Dec 16 | 6-8p | \$350 |

| THEATER CLASSES | AGE | DAY | DATES | TIME | PRICE |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----|-----------------|---------|-----------|
| Creative Dramatics | Ages 4-6 | TH | Sep 9-Nov 11 | 5-6p | \$125 |
| Kids Take the Stage | Ages 6-9 | TH | Sep 9-Nov 11 | 6-7p | \$125 |
| Broadway Bound! | Ages 9-11 | TH | Sep 9-Nov 11 | 6-7:30p | \$200 |
| Beginning Acting | Ages 9-12 | M | Sep 13-Dec 13 | 5-6p | \$200 |
| Intermediate Acting | Ages 12+ | TH | Sep 9-Dec 16 | 6-7p | \$200 |
| Technical Theater Institute | Ages 12+ | TH | Sep 9-Dec 16 | 7-9p | \$500 |
| Kinky Boots Masterclass | Ages 16+ | S | One Day: Sep 11 | 10a-12p | \$50/\$40 |
| Cinderella Broadway Intensive | TBD | | | | |

| DANCE CLASSES | AGE | DAY | DATES | TIME | PRICE |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-----|----------------|------------|-------|
| Little Leapers | Ages 4-6 | T | Sep 7-Nov 9 | 4:45-5:15p | \$125 |
| Junior Tap | Ages 8-12 | T | Sep 7-Dec 14 | 6-7p | \$200 |
| Beginning Dance Technique | Ages 8-12 | T | Sep 7-Dec 14 | 5:15-6p | \$175 |
| Teen Tap | Ages 13-18 | T | Sep 7-Dec 14 | 7-8p | \$200 |
| Ballet and Jazz Technique Year 1 | Grades 6-8 | W | Sep 8-Dec 15 | 7-8:30p | \$250 |
| Ballet and Jazz Technique Year 2 | Grades 6-8 | W | Sep 8-Dec 15 | 7-8:30p | \$250 |
| Dance Conditioning & Choreography | Grades 6-8 | W | Sep 8-Dec 15 | 5:30-7p | \$250 |
| Dance Technique | Grades 9-12 | M | Sept 13-Dec 13 | 7-8:30p | \$250 |
| Speed Choreography | Grades 9-12 | M | Sept 13-Dec 13 | 5:30-7p | \$250 |
| Musical Theater Dance | Grades 9-12 | M | Sept 13-Dec 13 | 7-8:30p | \$250 |
| Injury Prevention | Ages 14+ | TH | Sept 9-Dec 16 | 5-6p | \$200 |

| MUSIC CLASSES | AGE | DAY | DATES | TIME | PRICE |
|---------------------------|------------|-----|---------------|------|-------|
| Beginning Piano | Ages 8-10 | TH | Sept 9-Dec 16 | 5-6p | \$200 |
| Intermediate Piano | Ages 10-12 | TH | Sept 9-Dec 16 | 6-7p | \$200 |
| Private Music Instruction | All ages | | | | |

| ADULT CLASSES | AGE | DAY | DATES | TIME | PRICE |
|-------------------------|----------|-----|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Adult Acting | Ages 18+ | T | Sep 7-Dec 14 | 7-8:30p | \$200 |
| Adult Improv | Ages 18+ | TH | Sep 9-Dec 16 | 7-8p | \$200 |
| Adult TAP | Ages 18+ | T | Sep 7-Dec 14 | 8-9p | \$200 |
| Werq Fitness | Ages 13+ | F | Sept 10-Dec 17 | 12-12:45p | \$200 |
| Adult Piano | Ages 18+ | TH | Sep 9-Dec 16 | 7-8p | \$200 |
| Kinky Boots Masterclass | Ages 16+ | S | One Day: Sep 11 | 10a-12p | \$50/\$40 |

No classes November 23-27



PRIVATE LESSONS / COACHING

Work one-on-one with our teaching artists and professionals in a number of private lessons and individual coaching sessions. Paramount School of the Arts is fortunate to be able to offer a variety of private lessons including instrumental and vocal lessons, as well as coaching in theater and dance. Students can book a single 30-minute trial lesson, or set up weekly 30, 60, or 90-minute recurring lessons. Utilizing one of our spacious private classrooms, you can feel confident that students are receiving the very best training in our safe and welcoming facilities. Visit our website to register for private lessons today!

AUDITION BASED PROGRAMMING:

YOUTH THEATER CONSERVATORY // MUSICAL THEATER INSTITUTE
PARAMOUNT DANCE PROJECT // NEW! ACTING INSTITUTE

Exclusively at Paramount School of the Arts, our teaching artists and staff have built the types of programming we wish we had access to as young performers. These programs are not only packed with an intense skill-building curriculum, but also access to professional artists currently working in the field. All of our audition-based programs are year-long commitments. Students in our audition based programming will have various performance opportunities, free tickets to Paramount Broadway Series shows, free talk-back discussions with actors after select Paramount shows, discounts on private voice lessons, free select master classes, professional headshots, and discounts on all Paramount School merchandise. You're getting the best training at the best value.



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