

## **NAT COVID-19 Safety Protocol for Special Skills Program: Shakespeare**

### **ARRIVALS**

- Class begins at 9:00am at the PALIAFITO ECO-ARTS PARK, 315 W Walker St
- Please do not arrive more than 15 minutes before class begins.
- If it is raining, class will begin at 9:00am at the WALKER'S POINT CENTER FOR THE ARTS, 839 S 5th St
- Everyone must be masked upon entering and occupying the premises
- Social distance measures will be implemented throughout indoor and outdoor locations

### **DEPARTURES**

- Students must exit the premises no later than 3:15pm.
- Students being picked up will need to be signed out by a pre-approved guardian

### **CHECK-IN**

- Upon entering the premises, all staff and students must respond to the daily health questionnaire administered by Safety Supervisor: content is basically Symptoms, Travel, body temperature (taken from forehead with infra-red device).
- If you have symptoms which may indicate a Covid-19 infection, please do not come to class. Stay home. Contact Grace DeWolff to determine next steps. [grace@nextact.org](mailto:grace@nextact.org), 414.278.7780

### **LUNCH**

- Brown-bag, single-serving lunch will be provided by Next Act Theatre to each student. If any additional food is brought in, it must be self-contained – no communal refrigerator will be available.
- Lunch will be daily from 12:00pm – 1:00pm. You are permitted to remove your mask only while eating or drinking, and we will maintain safe social distancing, even outside.
- The Walker's Point Center for the Arts space will function as the Green Room for breaks, indoor lunches, and our inclement weather location. It is well-ventilated and there is ample space for students to spread out and "stake a claim" of personal, socially-distanced territory.
- Masks are required at all times when not eating or drinking.
- Hand sanitizer is available from dispensers.

\*\*\*Please be responsible for disinfecting and cleaning your personal items and areas.\*\*\*

### **TESTING**

- All staff must procure COVID-19 tests and negative results before engaging in any in-person work. Results should be reported to on-staff Safety Supervisor.
- All staff must maintain a weekly testing regimen. Access to public testing facilities will be furnished by Next Act Theatre. As a back-up option, Next Act will furnish testing through private facilities.
- If all staff members test positive for COVID-19, the program will pivot to online.
- Students are expected to maintain their own COVID-19 testing schedule at their own discretion. If a student is experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19, (fever, shortness of breath, cough, loss of or change to taste or smell) they are expected to stay home until they receive negative COVID-19 test results.

### **DURING CLASS**

- All in-person work will be socially distanced – students are to remain 6ft apart at all times. (Stylistically, all acting will be “jedi acting method” – pretending to touch.)
- Students are to keep masks on at all times – socially distant breaks are provided, where you can remove your mask outdoors
- If anyone feels uncomfortable, ill, or needs to leave class at any time, the Walker’s Point Center for the Arts space is available to call home and wait for transportation

### **OUTBREAK PROCEDURE**

- If a student is experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19, (fever, shortness of breath, cough, loss of or change to taste or smell) they are expected to stay until they receive negative COVID-19 test results.
- If a student experiences new COVID-19 symptoms while in class, they will isolate until transportation can be arranged to send the student home, or seek emergency medical attention if necessary.
- If a student tests positive for COVID-19, they may need to drop out of the program as the Shakespeare program is only two weeks long and there is no online option available. (The Next Actors program, a 4-week summer program from June 28 – July 24, will be available if they wish to participate in it once they have recovered from COVID-19.)

## **RESTROOMS**

- Restrooms are located in the Walker's Point Center for the Arts. Regular bathroom breaks will be scheduled.

## **CLASSROOM SPACE**

- Please wash or sanitize your hands before entering the indoor rehearsal room. Hand sanitizer is also available for our outdoor location.
- Masks are required at all times. They should be effective - multi-layered cloth or surgical masks recommended – and worn properly. Next Act Theatre will keep a supply of extra masks on hand for use as needed.
- Drinks (water only) are allowed but must be in covered or re-sealable bottles. Straws are suggested.

## **FURTHER RESOURCES**

- The decision to join our in-person, outdoor, socially distanced Shakespeare program is up to you! To help you through that decision process, please refer to these websites:
- CDC symptom guide: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>
- Governor Evers Safety Plan for Wisconsin: [https://evers.wi.gov/Documents/COVID19/English\\_SaferatHomeFAQ.pdf](https://evers.wi.gov/Documents/COVID19/English_SaferatHomeFAQ.pdf)