

Training and Performance

Ages 14-21*

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PEGASUS ENSEMBLE

Incoming ensemble: Fall 2023-Spring 2025

Thank you for your interest in the Pegasus Ensemble program at Imagination Stage!

OVERVIEW: Pegasus Ensemble is a two-year training and performance program for students ages 14-21* with cognitive, physical, and/or developmental disabilities for in-depth theatre arts technique and life skills training while working together as an ensemble. Year 1 works on skill building in the areas of acting and performance, and begins the process of devising a show for the following year. Year 2 works towards applying those skills to a fully supported performance devised by Pegasus students in our Christopher and Dana Reeve Studio Theatre. **Please note that students ages 18–21 **must** be enrolled in high school or a high school equivalency program.*

COMMITMENT: Because of the intensive and ensemble nature of the program, actors are accepted with the understanding that they will remain committed to the program for the full two years with consistent attendance, **missing no more than 2 classes per semester.**

- **Class Meeting Days/Times:** Wednesdays 4:30-6:30 p.m.
- **Schedule:**
 - **Year 1:** Fall 2023: September 20 –December 13, 2023 | Winter/Spring: January – April 2024
 - **Year 2:** Fall 2024: September – December 2024 | Winter/Spring: January – April 2025
 - **Final Performance Weekend:** April 2025
- **Students will:**
 - Practice autonomy, while strengthening confidence and teamwork skills
 - Create a culture of personal responsibility, especially in the rehearsal space, as well as a culture of self-reliance and leadership
 - Engage in artistic risk-taking, allowing them to push beyond the binary of thinking “right and wrong” and build skills in multiple means of expression
- **Tuition:** \$550 per semester

AUDITIONS: Pegasus spots are open only to students selected through an audition process. Space is limited and we select students who will commit to the process and will work well within an ensemble of their peers. Interested students are asked to first perform and film a short story or monologue (instructions and guidelines will be shared ahead of time) as well take part in a group workshop held on the first day of the program (September 20, 2023), demonstrating their ability to work as an ensemble. **Video deadline August 23.**

Please email or call Shanna Sorrells (ssorrells@imaginationstage.org or 301-941-3035) to ask any questions. The phone number is for a Video Phone—if you call, you will be connected to an ASL interpreter, or if you are a VP user yourself, you will be connected directly to Shanna.