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AMDA
HIGH SCHOOL
SUMMER
CONSERVATORY
2020 LA★NYC

A close-up photograph of a young woman with long brown hair singing into a silver microphone. She is wearing a black leather jacket over a leopard-print top. The background is dark with red stage lights.

actors, singers, dancers

Imagine the opportunity to hone your craft on a college campus.

Imagine a world-class faculty guiding you into total immersion of styles, discipline and continuous performance.

*Imagine doing it
this summer.*

2020 Programs and Sessions

4 programs

4 sessions

3 New York sessions

3 Los Angeles sessions

Residential and commuter programs in New York City and Los Angeles are open to all talented high school students completing grades 8-12 during the 2019/20 school year.

musical theatre

session 1	June 21 – July 4	LA
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commercial dance and dance theatre

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acting for the stage, tv and film

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pop star: recording artist

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The High School Summer Conservatory at AMDA

For more than 50 years, AMDA's faculty and curriculum have provided the master training, tools, guidance and techniques required to develop talent and prepare students to work in Hollywood, on Broadway and throughout the diverse field of performing arts.

At AMDA, we have a wonderful opportunity for talented high school performing artists: The High School Summer Conservatory at AMDA.

Immerse yourself in acting, singing or dance in New York, Los Angeles, or both cities. You'll live on the AMDA campus of your choice and sleep in our safe and secure on-campus residence halls. You'll be taught by the best.

What you'll love about AMDA is the faculty. They're not just teachers but high-level

performers working in the industry. You will be taught acting by actors, dancing by dancers, and singing by singers.

We believe in craft and technique, but you will also learn many real-world fundamentals about the industry, such as getting a job, including exactly what the audition process looks like and how to prepare for it.

During your summer, you will perform. You'll work hard preparing for those performances. Your peers will be talented students who are as serious about learning their craft as you are.

As a performer, you will be empowered to find your voice within your unique story and talents.

Join us for this special experience.



campus life at AMDA

Whether you choose the Upper West Side of Manhattan or the center of Hollywood, this is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to live the college life in the heart of one (or both) of the entertainment capitals of the world.

Our students and faculty come from all over the country and all over the world and you will make friends who share your passion for the performing arts; friends who may even be your future colleagues in the entertainment industry. You will live on the AMDA campuses, in comfortable and modern, safe and secure residence halls.

We'll teach you about the industry and how to take who you are and do something that is fresh and new and sets you apart from other performers.

We will develop your special talents and take you to new levels. We will impart confidence, so when the time comes, you can make a place for yourself in the world.

It might be that your place includes screen acting, dance fusion, or singing in a variety of pop styles.

Whether you're in New York or Los Angeles, the encouragement you experience and the friendships you form at the AMDA High School Summer Conservatory will be real and lasting.

musical theatre

Explore the world of classic and contemporary musical theatre through this personal and intensive course work. Expand your vocal performance skills and develop your audition book by immersing yourself in AMDA's tried and true techniques. Train with experienced Broadway performers and directors as you build an original show to highlight your very best. This session ends in a live presentation for the AMDA community.

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"Probably one of the best feelings I've ever had because you see positive work and it makes you realize that you are something."

– BLAKE H.



A photograph showing several young women in a dance studio. In the foreground, a woman with curly hair and a black top is looking towards the camera. Behind her, another woman in a red dress is dancing. Other women are visible in the background, some with their hands raised. The lighting is dramatic, with strong highlights and shadows.

commercial dance and dance theatre

Experience total immersion in dance technique and performance by working with dancers and choreographers of the Broadway stage, film and television, and contemporary concert dance. Take your dance dynamics and expression to a whole new level. This session includes a dance-for-camera music-video experience and an end-of-session live theatrical presentation.

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"It's just amazing; we learn new dances every day. ...We're performing in a studio with tons of lights and performing outside... and it's so much fun."

– ELIZABETH D.

acting for stage, tv and film

See yourself on the big screen, acting in a short scene directed by a top-notch film director. AMDA's world-class, professional instructors will guide you through the preparation, rehearsal and performance of scenes. All Los Angeles Acting students and New York Acting for Film students take part in a film shoot and receive fully edited videos for their acting reels. At the end of the session, scenes are performed onstage for live audiences.

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"AMDA really prepares you for what you're going to get in the future. I don't think I would rather be anywhere else."

– TIANA C.





"I was having so much fun that I told my mom that I wanted to stay. We were supposed to go on vacation but I stayed here instead."

— JACOB B.

pop star: recording artist

Challenge yourself this summer and dive into vocal performance styles from contemporary to jazz, gospel to acapella, blues, soul, country and R&B. This session includes a professional recording studio experience to help start you on your path toward becoming a contemporary vocal artist. In addition, selections will be performed in a curated end-of-session live presentation.

session 2 July 5 – July 18 LA

session 3 July 19 – August 1 NYC LA

"It was like something out of a movie... Like a performing arts movie — dancers in one room, actors in another... I was totally like, 'This is where I belong.'"

— MAX R.



Parent Testimonials

"The entire summer program was well built, perfectly run and surpassed my hopes and wishes... I appreciate the attention and constant effort that I feel was given to my daughter at AMDA. I believe this program will have an immense impact on Aubrey as well as the other students who attended." – SHANNAN P.

"Riley said the program was the greatest thing she's ever done in her entire life! To say that she loved it is an understatement." – SHERRY T.

"I want to thank you and your staff for helping these young artists grow."
– CHERYL S.

"I must say, this was a dream come true... I was very pleased with the warm welcome and the family atmosphere I sensed at the college. The staff was very pleasant and knowledgeable. Thanks again for making this happen." – MADLINE O.

"My daughter Shelby had an *incredible* experience... She's only just now stopped saying, 'Mom, why am I not back at AMDA?' She loved her instructors and enjoyed remarkable growth as an artist over the two-week period." – JULIE S.



tuition & costs

Full tuition and costs breakdown for all programs:

- **Tuition: \$2,900**
- **Housing: \$1,050**
- **Meal Plan: \$825**
- **Seven different program t-shirts: \$85**
- **Entertainment: \$115**
- **Airport Transit: \$125 each way (optional)**

Totals

- **Total with Housing: \$4,975**
- **Total without Housing (commuters): \$3,925**

Meal Plan

In both New York City and Los Angeles, all students are provided a meal plan and will receive a fresh, healthy and balanced breakfast, lunch and dinner daily.

Deposit and Application Fee

A \$250 deposit is required for all accepted students (amount applied to tuition payments).

A \$25 application fee will also apply.

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*Program options vary by session and campus.
Please see preceding program pages or visit amda.edu for availability.*



You have plans.

You are a young artist, talented, ready to challenge yourself and you love to perform. Whether that's by immersing yourself in the art of acting, finding your voice as a singer, or telling new stories through dance, ***it's all about performance.***

Apply for the
High School
Summer
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at AMDA at
amda.edu/hs

AMDA alumni: stars of stage and screen

For more updates on our
accomplished alumni, visit:
amda.edu/alumni



RAY FISHER

Ray Fisher sprang from notable stage roles to Hollywood blockbusters, joining the DC Cinematic Universe as the superhero Cyborg (Victor Stone) in *Batman vs. Superman: Dawn of Justice*. Ray expanded the role in *Justice League* (2017), and will star in the standalone film *Cyborg* (2020) as well as the companion DCU movie, *Flashpoint*.



JESSE TYLER FERGUSON

Jesse Tyler Ferguson is best known for his role as Mitchell in ABC's *Modern Family*, for which he has received five Emmy nominations. He has appeared in three Broadway productions (including his one-man show, *Fully Committed*), multiple Shakespeare comedies, and *Spamalot* at the Hollywood Bowl. Jesse will star in Jordan Harrison's *Log Cabin* at Playwright's Horizon (2018).



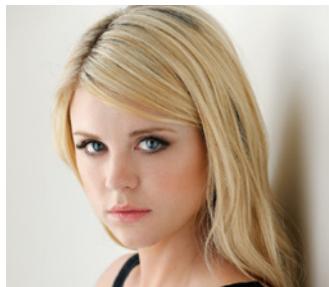
CAISSIE LEVY

One week after graduating from AMDA, Caissie Levy landed the role of Maureen in the national tour of *Rent*. She has since become one of theatre's brightest stars, with major roles in four of the biggest hits in Broadway history: *Les Misérables* (Fantine), *Hair* (Sheila), *Wicked* (Elphaba), and *Hairspray* (Penny). Caissie stars as Elsa in Disney's new Broadway musical, *Frozen*.



ANTHONY RAMOS

Anthony Ramos originated the role of John Laurens/Phillip Hamilton in the blockbuster Broadway musical *Hamilton*. He stars in Netflix's adaptation of Spike Lee's *She's Gotta Have It*, and has appeared on NBC's *Will and Grace* and TV Land's *Younger*. Anthony hits the big screen in the feature films *A Star Is Born* (with Lady Gaga and Bradley Cooper), *Monsters and Men* and *Godzilla: King of the Monsters*.



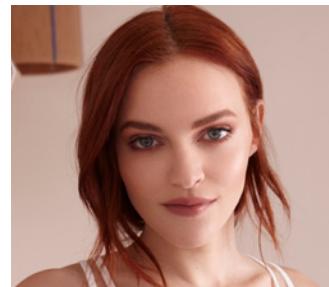
BAILEY DEYOUNG

Bailey DeYoung made her television debut on ABC Family's *Bunheads*, starring Sutton Foster. She played Lauren on MTV's *Faking It*, and has guest starred on *The Middle*, and *Gilmore Girls: A Year in the Life*. Bailey performed in *Summer of '42*, directed by Hunter Foster, at the Bucks County Playhouse. She currently appears in the Golden Globe-winning Amazon series *The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel* from the creators of *Gilmore Girls*.



MAURICIO MARTINEZ

Mauricio Martinez, originally from Mexico, made his Broadway debut as Emilio Estefan in *On Your Feet*, and is now in the show's First National Tour. Mauricio also stars in the TV series *El Vato* on NBC Universo. He has starred in Mexico City productions, including *Beauty & The Beast* (Beast), *Saturday Night Fever* (Tony Manero), *The Drowsy Chaperone*, and *The Last Five Years*. He is currently recording his third Latin pop album.



MADELINE BREWER

Madeline Brewer starred alongside Elizabeth Moss in Hulu's Emmy-winning series *The Handmaid's Tale*. She made her television debut as Tricia Miller on Netflix's *Orange is the New Black*, then played Miranda Cates in Eli Roth's *Hemlock Grove* (also for Netflix). Madeline starred in Bret Easton Ellis's series *The Deleted*, and has guest-starred on *Grimm* and *Stalker*. Madeline will star in the 2019 feature film *Captive State*.



KENITA MILLER

Kenita Miller made her Broadway debut as Celie in *The Color Purple*, then starred as Erato in *Xanadu*. Off-Broadway, she has appeared in *Langston in Harlem*, *Working*, and *Bubbly Black Girl Sheds Her Chameleon Skin*. Her television appearances include *Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt*, *Hostages*, *Blacklist* and *Sesame Street*. Kenita currently stars as Mama Euralie in the Broadway revival of *Once on This Island*.



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