Texas Youth Film & Media Programs

Film • Acting • STEM • Video Game & Animation

STATEWIDE

Summer Tech Camps

iD Tech | Summer

Kids between the ages of 10-17 of all skill levels can discover coding, AI, machine learning, film, robotics, and game design, developing the in-demand skills needed.

Website: https://www.idtech.com/locations

Video Game Design Camp

Active Learning Camps | Summer

Create & program a unique Video Game at our Active Learning Video Game Creation Camp. Using our custom curricula, children learn Minecraft, GameMaker, Kodu or Scratch as they create their very own video games that they can actually play!

Website: https://www.activelearningcamps.com/detailscamp.php?cpid=3

Virtual Film Camp: Script to Smartphone Screen

Austin Film Festival | Summer

In this In-depth virtual workshop, students will learn fundamentals of screenwriting as well as techniques for home filmmaking. We'll take campers through the entire process, from crafting an idea, to producing, staging, and shooting a film all with the resources students have at home!

Website: https://austinfilmfestival.com/product/virtual-film-camp-script-to-smartphone-screen/

Tech Classes

Digital Media Academy | Year Round

Digital Media Academy offers tech classes that offer students a variety of topics to choose from. Kids and teens will delve into a world of different coding languages, explore artificial intelligence, and learn to make movies. There are camps for every facet of digital media, and students are sure to find something that they are interested in. Along the way, they'll become well-rounded learners, developing communication and critical-thinking skills.

Website (Self-Paced Learning):

https://students.digitalmediaacademy.org/visitor_class_catalog/category/76394?_ga=2.64519980.2094 69733.1626459397-1367647394.162645939

Website (Online Programs):

https://www.programs.digitalmediaacademy.org/? ga=2.64519980.209469733.1626459397-1367647394.1626459397

AUSTIN

Performance and Production

Year Round

Acting Classes

ZACH Theatre | Year Round

Students may take acting classes in a variety of types of performance, or audition for one of several select performance programs.

Website (Classes): https://zachtheatre.org/education/camps-classes/

 $\textbf{Website (Audition Based Programs): } \underline{\text{https://zachtheatre.org/education/audition-based-programs/}}$

https://zachtheatre.org/education/camps-classes/?filter 13=Camp

Austin School of Film Youth Classes

Austin School of Film | Year Round

Workshops for kids and teens covering a wide variety of filmmaking topics, including special FX, animation, editing, digital filmmaking, etc.

Website: https://austinfilmschool.org/classes?category=Youth%20Classes

Cine Joven •

Austin Film School | Year Round

Free after-school program for youth ages 14 -17. Students create short films revolving around their experiences while also learning the filmmaking process through an innovative crew format. Program aims to give students the direct experience to represent & empower the Latinx community, culture & identity through film.

Website: https://austinfilmschool.org/cine-joven-youth-collective

Creative Youth Development

Creative Action | Year Round

Our high-quality, onsite, licensed after school program engages students in visual art, filmmaking, music, puppetry, creative writing, acting, and more to deepen connections to lessons learned in the classroom, all while expanding the development of social and emotional skills. Students participate in hands-on activities led by professional teaching artists to create projects that improve the community and the world around them.

Website: https://creativeaction.org/programs/after-school/

Enrichment Classes

Squishy Banana Studios | Year Round

Squishy Banana Studios' filmmaking students get right in the action, learning and putting into action each step of the filmmaking process. They put the creative control in the hands of kids and teens. By the end of each session, students will have a finished short film to show off to their friends and family and all the skills needed to start their own filmmaking journey.

Website: http://www.squishybananastudios.com/daytime-classes.html

Improv and Sketch Comedy

Excused Absence Comedy Camps | Year Round

Excused Absence Comedy Camps provide a concentrated dose of funny for young comics of all levels. Taught by some of Austin's most experienced and respected performers, our camps are a positive, creative way to hone your comedy chops while making friends and having fun.

Website: https://excusedabsence.com/fall-2020-classes/

Improv Classes •

Hideout Theatre | Year Round

In the Hideout Camps kids learn the basics of improv, storytelling, and stagecraft mostly through playing games – because you learn better when you are having fun! Every day we play games, create stories, perform scenes, do crafts and generally have a blast. On the final day we show off our amazing new skills in a performance for friends and family.

Website (All Ages): https://www.hideouttheatre.com/improv-for-kids/classes/
Website (Students with Disabilities): https://www.hideouttheatre.com/improv-for-kids/building-connections/

kidsActing Classes and Shows

kidsActing | Year Round

Students have the opportunity to take classes and participate in performances to develop their skills and have fun.

Website: https://www.kidsactingstudio.com/

Youth Media Education and Training •

Young Journey | Year Round

Young Journey is excited to provide a free performing arts and media program in East Austin at Austin Public TV Station. The workshops are real world training helping to develop needed life skills and disciplines in young people. Youth are filming and editing for the Young Journey TV shows. Participants are guided in writing their own scripts, creating and recording original songs, choreographing dances, blocking stage productions, filming and editing their own music videos, PSA's and television productions. Participants explore many careers in various fields.

Website: https://www.youngjourney.org/

Summer

Camp Latinitas •

Latinitas Magazine | Summer

Bilingual In-person or Online camps for girls interested in Cine, Design, Entrepreneurship, Empowerment, and Gaming! Don't miss the fun, sign up today.

Website: https://latinitasonline.org/programs/camp-latinitas/

Creative Action Summer Camp

Creative Action | Summer

Creative Action offers fun, engaging, and exciting arts-based summer camps for ages 5 – 11 Led by experienced staff, our camps are offered at three convenient locations in North Central, East, and South Austin and include a variety of themes to choose from all summer long. Campers envision and create their own films, perform on stage, and explore visual art with our professional Teaching Artists in a safe, supportive learning environment. For ages 11-15, Creative Action Studio is available for teens interested in taking their art skills to the next level.

Website: http://creativeaction.org/programs/after-school-and-camps/summer-camps/

Film Kids Summer Camp

Film Kids | Summer

This club will delve into group projects that teach rising 5th, 6th and 7th graders everything they want to know about collaborative filmmaking. Plan and direct scenes. Run cameras. Improv and act. Edit. Have fun.

Website: https://www.filmkids.org/classes

Filmmaking 101

Austin Film Festival | Summer

In this intensely hands-on workshop, you'll discover how to translate your ideas from the page to the screen by learning storytelling techniques, screenwriting, directing, camera operation, sound recording, and editing. Campers will learn the basics of filmmaking, then team up to create their very own short films. For the overall filmmaking experience, this workshop can't be beat! 10 student scholarship spots available per session.

Website: https://austinfilmfestival.com/yfp/sixsquare/

*One session is eligible for Six Square Summer Film Camp Scholarship

iFILM Camp •

channelAustin | Summer

Young adults with disabilities between the ages of 15-21 can create and edit their own short films with professional equipment.

Website: http://channelaustin.org/registration/

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Website (All Ages): https://www.hideouttheatre.com/improv-for-kids/summercamp/

Website (Teen Intensive): https://www.hideouttheatre.com/improv-for-kids/teenintensives/

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Website: https://excusedabsence.com/camps-navigation-page/

kidsActing Summer Camp

kidsActing | Summer

All kidsActing summer camps are based on creating a fantastic show for family and friends. They are jam packed with fun while also teaching kids how to: work as a team, memorize lines and block scenes, develop a character, sing & dance or perform stage combat, improve audition skills, feel confident, and take creative risks.

Website: https://www.kidsactingstudio.com/summer-camps

Queer Youth Media Project o

All Genders, Lifestyles, and Identities Film Festival | Summer

Week-long workshops for youth ages 13-18 offering hands-on experience in the entire movie making process, as well as theater, acting, casting calls, how to enter films into festivals, film marketing and distribution. Students have the opportunity to write, direct, and perform in a short film each year, which is screened at the annual aGLIFF film festival in September.

Website: https://www.agliff.org/gymp

Script to Screen

Austin Film Festival | Summer

In this in-depth workshop, students will learn tried and tested storytelling techniques used in Hollywood films since they began. Our instructors will take campers through the entire process – from crafting an idea, to producing, staging, and shooting a short film. Students will discover the power of good storytelling as well as screenwriting, directing, camera operation, sound recording, and editing as they team up to produce their very own short film! 10 student scholarship spots available per session.

Website: https://austinfilmfestival.com/yfp/sixsquare/ *One session eligible for Six Square Summer Film Camp

Summer Camp at the Paramount

Paramount Theatre | Summer

Summer Camp at the Paramount encourages young people to explore acting, singing, dancing, creative writing, production design, and performance. Best of all, every camper will be featured in a final show ON-STAGE at the historic Paramount Theatre!

Website: http://www.austintheatre.org/camps/

Summer Film Camp

Austin Film Festival | Summer

Screenwriting, filmmaking, and claymation classes for youth ages 9-18. All finished films premiere at the Summer Film Camp showcase at Galaxy Highland Theatre. Students also participate in panel discussions with visiting guest speakers, including notable screenwriters, editors, and cinematographers.

Website: https://austinfilmfestival.com/yfp/summercamp/

Squishy Banana Studios Summer Camp

Squishy Banana Studios | Summer

This summer, we're making some epic short films! Each week we'll dive straight into the filmmaking process to create new movies each week. You as the writer/director/actor/producer/editor [will]: write a script, storyboard, location scout, act in your movie, edit the footage, add sound and special effects. Small groups for maximum spotlight!

Website: http://www.squishybananastudios.com/summercamp.html

Texas Arts Project Filmmaking Program

Texas Arts Project | Summer

Students aged 14-18 examine current trends in the industry and explore their personal creative process as they learn film production from concept to product. Rising Filmmaker Introductory Camp available for students with no background in film production; Advanced Filmmaker Production Camp available for returning students or students who have taken film courses elsewhere.

Website: http://texasartsproject.com/programs-of-study/senior-camp-ages-14-18/filmmaking/

UT RTF Media Camps

The University of Texas at Austin | Summer

Youth workshops ranging from 1-2 weeks in length, covering topics such as film production, screenwriting, animation, claymation, and video game production.

Website: https://rtf.utexas.edu/camps

UT SDCT Summer Institute

The University of Texas at Austin | Summer

Designed and taught by UT faculty, high school students will learn about game design or graphic design. Both institutes provide students the unique opportunity to create a portfolio piece as they prepare to apply for college

Website: https://designcreativetech.utexas.edu/extended-education/sdct-summer-institutes

Digital Media Year Round

Coding Clubs

Girls Who Code | Year-Round

Join a safe and supportive environment of peers and role models where girls learn to see themselves as computer scientists. Learn the concepts of loops, variables, conditionals and functions that form the basis of all programming languages. Work in teams to complete a computer science impact project that solves a real-world problem in your community.

Website: https://girlswhocode.com/programs/clubs-program

Coding with Kids

Coding with Kids | Year Round

Coding with Kids classes are a place for coders to unleash their creativity and take the next steps as young coders. Students can choose between Coder's Ladder and Coder's Pathway courses as they work with tech-savvy instructors to further explore coding and develop their abilities.

Website (Coder's Ladder): https://www.codingwithkids.com/online-coders-ladder-classes?age=2&cid=127

Website (Coder's Pathway): https://www.codingwithkids.com/online-enrichment-classes
Website (Private Coaching): https://www.codingwithkids.com/private-classes?age=2&cid=127

Game Worlds Workshops

Game Worlds | Year Round

Weekend Workshops... provide a target of 6 hrs. of instruction that highlight a specific video game design skill covering either Art, Coding, Design, or Music. Learn from real world game developers! These short sessions are designed to introduce students to the worlds of possibilities in different areas of game development. Once a month we'll showcase a new developer deep diving into art, code, sound, or design.

Website: https://gameworldscamp.com/workshops/

Science & Technology Workshops

Young Peoples Workshops | Year Round

These hands-on workshops help teach language development, knowledge and understanding of the world, physical development, social & emotional development, art, mathematics, science & technology.

Website: http://www.ypwkids.com/science-technology-workshops/

STEM Classes and Camps

Snapology | Year Round

With dozens of programs to choose from, there's something for everyone. From fun themed programs using LEGO® bricks and K'Nex® to STEM / STEAM programs, Robotics, Movie-Making, Drones and Video Game Design, your children will be engaged from the minute they walk in the door. Shh, don't tell them it's educational.

Website: https://embed.snapology.com/licensee/131/events/location

Video Game Design

The Contemporary | Year Round

Learn the building blocks of designing your own video game using some of the most widely used software in the industry. Taking inspiration from modern and contemporary art, create a setting and characters for your game, then script the action and player controls. Laptops are provided in class. Course are available for ages 12-18.

Website: https://www.thecontemporaryaustin.org/courses/

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Website: https://www.codingwithkids.com/online-camps

Game Worlds Summer Camp

Game Worlds | Summer

At Game Worlds, kids learn the skills needed to make their very own video games. Real-world developers guide kids through a crash course into how games are made, and help students bring their vision to life through practical skills such as programming, design, testing, business, writing, audio engineering, and art. Students come away with a game they've created while learning game development!

Website: https://gameworldscamp.com/summer/

Little Stars Camp

Ann Richards School | Summer (Resuming in 2022)

Little Stars Camp is a 4-day STEM camp for girls entering grades 3-5 in Austin ISD.

Website: https://www.annrichardsschool.org/campus-life/summer-programs/

STARBASE

Texas Military Department | Summer

STARBASE Austin objective is to raise the interest and improve the knowledge and skills of at-risk 5th graders in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) by offering 25 hours of exemplary instruction using an engaging curriculum that meets and exceeds State Standards. Hosted at Camp Mabry, students participate in challenging "hands-on, mind-on" activities and interact with military personnel to explore careers and observe STEM applications in the "real world."

Website: https://tmd.texas.gov/starbase

STEAM Camp

Thinkery | Summer

In each weeklong camp, Pre-K to 5th grade campers engage in playful, hands-on learning activities that develop critical thinking skills in a collaborative environment. Camps focus on science, technology, engineering, arts and math, with a variety of fun mental and physical challenges that activate campers' creativity and stimulate their natural curiosity. Campers explore questions of "how" and "why" through immersive, interactive learning experiences designed to keep them moving, thinking and creating.

Website: https://thinkeryaustin.org/camp/

Summer Immersion Program

Girls Who Code | Summer

Our Summer Immersion Program is a free 2-week introductory computer science program for 10th-11th grade girls going into their junior or senior year of high school. During the 2-week program, participants learn about computer science, gain exposure to tech jobs, and join a sisterhood of girls who are using computer science to become change-makers. Each week of the program covers projects related to computer science, such as art, storytelling, robotics, video games, web sites, and apps. You'll also hear from guest speakers, participate in workshops, connect with female engineers and entrepreneurs, and go on field trips. The program culminates in a final project where you build your own product and share it with your class.

Website: https://girlswhocode.com/programs/summer-immersion-program

Summer at St. Andrews

St. Andrews Episcopal School | Summer

Join St. Andrew's for a summer of fun and friendship! Camps are for ages 4-18 an include some of the following topics: creative writing, photography, coding, animation, and app development.

Website: https://www.sasaustin.org/student-life/summer-camp-at-st-andrews-2022

Tech Camps

Future Set | Summer

Our technology-driven summer camps teach fundamental computer science and mathematics concepts through engaging, memorable projects. Students are led to create, test, observe and extend their new knowledge to meet challenges and solve problems. Instruction is individualized through our low student to teacher ratio of 6 to 1. Camps include the following: 2D Game Design, Virtual Reality Coding, Video Production for YouTube, Minecraft Modding, and more.

Website: https://futuresetcamp.com/summer-camps

ROUND ROCK

Year Round

Kid & Teen Classes

4Reelz School of Film | Year Round

Hands-on, project-based courses covering a wide variety of topics, including acting, editing, production, and digital media.

Website: https://esteamlearninglabs.com/classes/

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DALLAS / FORT WORTH

Performance and Production

Year Round

Academy Classes

Dallas Children's Theatre Year Round

Our professional theater artists help develop children with an interest in drama and performing arts. We offer a variety of theater and video classes at the Rosewood Center in Dallas. Students will enjoy these hands-on classes where participation is encouraged and essential for learning. It's a great way for children to learn, have fun and gain valuable skills in theater arts. Our approach is developmentally age-appropriate. Classes are taught by a Dallas Children's Theater professional artists.

Website: https://www.dct.org/academyclasses/

After School Classes

Pegasus Media Project | Year Round

Classes in film and production designed to give students an additional opportunity to earn dual-credit while making connecting and learning about the industry.

Website: https://www.pegasusmediaproject.com/

Education Program

Dallas Film Society | Year Round

Inspires and educates students of all economic and cultural backgrounds to pursue their passions and give them opportunities to tell their own story. Dallas Film invites area high school students to visit production and music facilities, live sets, and companies associated with film and digital media production. The curriculum aligns with TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills) standards, providing additional, after school learning opportunities to DFW students.

Website: https://dallasfilm.org/program/high-school-film-labs

Filmmaking Classes

Young Actors Studio | Year Round

Students in the filmmaking classes develop their skill sets in a real world environment, mentored by a faculty of award-winning television producers. The filmmaking program has beginner through advanced filmmaking classes, so whether you are just beginning, a seasoned YouTuber, or have previous experience, we have the class to match your current skill set.

Website: http://www.dallasyas.com/classes/

Starcatchers Camps and Classes •

North Texas Performing Arts | Year Round

Classes and camps are a great way to try out a Starcatchers program for students and adults with cognitive disabilities! These programs are shorter than our theatre productions and focus on an individual topic or skill.

Website: https://ntpa.org/classes/starcatchers/

TV & Film Acting

Young Actors Studio | Year Round

Students are placed into classes according to their age, acting ability, and prior experience. This program covers the following areas of study: dramatic scene study/scripts, dramatic improvisation, dramatic characters/roles, dramatic monologues, comedy scene study/scripts, cold reading, comedy improvisation, comedy monologues, commercial copy/cold reading/characters, radio voice overs/characters, writing short scenes and monologues, green screen technique.

Website: http://www.dallasyas.com/classes/

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Website: https://www.dct.org/academyclasses/

Performance Camps

North Texas Performing Arts | Summer

Learning doesn't have to stop just because it's summertime! Theatre camps are a great way for children to explore literature in a fun and creative way. Kids will transform into a superhero, a princess, or their favorite storybook character as they bring popular stories to life on stage at North Texas Performing Arts exciting theatre summer programs! With summer learning opportunities for ages 5 to 18, there's a spot for everyone to learn from our professional directors, actors, and singers who have worked everywhere from Broadway to L.A.

Website: https://ntpa.org/camps/

Starcatchers Camps and Classes •

North Texas Performing Arts | Summer

Classes and camps are a great way to try out a Starcatchers program for students and adults with cognitive disabilities! These programs are shorter than our theatre productions and focus on an individual topic or skill.

Website: https://ntpa.org/classes/starcatchers/

Summer Acting & Filmmaking for Kids and Teens

Dallas Young Actors Studio | Summer

Youth ages 13-18 are provided the opportunity to learn about cinematography for short film and TV, basic lighting, grip, production audio, live audio mixing, sound effects, and editing. Students may also choose one of one of several acting camps, where they may learn about improvisational, comedic, dramatic, and commercial acting.

Website: http://www.dallasyas.com/summer-camps/

Summer Intensive

Pegasus Media Project | Summer

Designed for hands-on, multi-disciplinary production practice that allows students to earn dual credit.

Website: https://www.pegasusmediaproject.com/summerintensive

Kamp Hollywood

The Movie Institute | Summer

A vibrant and innovative moviemaking camp, driven by participant creativity and designed with a hands-on, real-world approach to training in production and acting. Campers, or "Indies" as they are called at camp, will learn vital life skills through this one of a kind experience, such as teamwork, discipline and leadership, while gaining a sense of accomplishment as they create their own short films to be shown at the graduation & screening.

Website: https://www.movieinstitute.org/kamp-hollywood

Summer Acting and Filmmaking Camp

Young Actors Studio | Summer

The filmmaking program at the Young Actors Studio[™] purpose is to expose youth to the behind the scenes of the TV and Film industry through educational hands-on labs, guest industry workshops, instructional classes, and internship program.

Website: http://www.dallasyas.com/classes/

Digital Media

Year Round

Coding Camp

theCoderSchool | Year Round

At the Coder School, we want to do more than just teach coding. We want aspiring coders to use their new found passion as a stepping stone to thinking outside the box, as a way to channel their ideas in a creative way and most importantly, to have fun.

Website: https://www.thecoderschool.com/locations/frisco/#camps

Coding with Kids

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Website (Coder's Ladder): https://www.codingwithkids.com/online-coders-ladder-classes?age=2&cid=127

Website (Coder's Pathway): https://www.codingwithkids.com/online-enrichment-classes

Studio/Digital Art and Design Classes

One River Frisco | Year Round

Classes at One River offer students of all ages a series of progressive and creative courses across art, digital art, design, photography, filmmaking and portfolio development.

Website: https://frisco.oneriverschool.com/classes/

Summer

Summer Coding with Kids

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Website: https://students.digitalmediaacademy.org/visitor_class_catalog/category/76394

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Camp Latinitas

Latinitas Magazine | Summer

Girls ages 9-14 with a desire to innovate and express themselves in fun, creative ways through media and technology are invited to join Latinitas to learn about filmmaking and types of technology – all while making friends and meeting interesting, inspiring mentors from a variety of backgrounds.

Website: https://latinitasonline.org/programs/camp-latinitas/

CORPUS CHRISTI

Camp on the Coast

Texas A&M Corpus Christi | Summer

The Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Summer Theatre Workshop is a two-week residential camp designed for high school students seeking a highly intensive and creative theatre experience. Participants will rehearse and perform in a one-act play directed by one of five highly successful theatre educators. Students interested in performance will study acting, voice, and movement in morning classes taught by TAMUCC Theatre faculty. Returning campers will take a three-hour master class in acting and movement. Technical Theatre Students will attend classes in design, participate in the creation of each production's sets, lighting, and costumes, and serve as crew for the shows.

Website: https://www.tamucc.edu/liberal-arts/departments/theatre/events/camp-on-the-coast.php

WACO

Tal Lostracco's Summer Theatre Camp

Baylor University | Summer (Resuming in 2022)

Tal Lostracco's Summer Theatre Camp at Baylor University is a 2 week intensive theatre camp for high school students to strengthen their skills relating to theatre, acting, and technical theatre.

Website: http://www.talscamp.com/

HOUSTON

Performance and Production Year Round

Acting Classes

John Lansch Studio for Actors | Year Round

With over 30 years of experience, teaching acting classes, in Los Angeles, New York and Texas, John can teach you how to become an actor! He is the personal acting coach for actors who have booked leading roles in films such as *KNOWING* with Nicolas Cage, *THE CURIOUS CASE OF BENJAMIN BUTTON* with Brad Pitt, and Broadway's *Tony Award Winning Best Musical* DEAR EVAN HANSEN.

Website: https://johnlansch.com/classes

Acting Classes

Next Level Acting Studios | Year Round

Next Level Acting Studios was first established in Hollywood by Deke Anderson, a professional Actor and Director, who spent almost three decades pursuing his career there. Next Level now offers fun, dynamic acting classes and private lessons in Houston and The Woodlands for adults, youths, and teens of all experience levels. Deke's lengthy Hollywood experience is essentially unparalleled among acting teachers in the Southeast region, and the quality and value of his acting classes is extraordinary.

Website: https://nextlevelacting.com/schedule-houston-tx-77008/

CrossWind Collective

CrossWind Productions | Year Round

A non-profit organization providing a Christian faith-based, creative environment where young adults gifted in the performing arts learn the craft of film and television.

Website: https://www.crosswindproductions.org/#collective

Core Skill Classes

Main Street Theater Year Round

We are looking for good team players, movie fans, avid readers, sports fans, brainiacs, shy kids, pirates, princesses and born performers – anyone and everyone who has ever imagined their own adventure! Our skills classes focus on particular aspects of performance and/or production under our professional teaching artists' guidance. The students' ideas inspire the final showcase–from selecting material to creating stories, props and costumes.

Website: https://mainstreettheater.com/classes-at-the-theater/

Filmmaking Classes

ECHO Film School and Studio | Year Round

Students may participate in custom classes, workshops, and networking events as they learn and practice the filmmaking process.

Website: https://www.echofilmschool.com/workshops

Improv Classes

CSZ Houston | Year Round

Our classes improve public speaking skills, confidence, memory, and awareness - all within a safe and supportive environment. Improv isn't about being funny - it's about being you.

Website: https://www.comedysportzhouston.com/school-of-improv

Kid's Virtual Film Acting Class

Sara Gaston | Year Round

This is a great class for your child or young teen who wants to work on their on-camera skills or who is a theatre kid wanting to make the transition into commercials and television. We'll be working with scripts from actual commercials and film/TV. Each week I will email scripts before class. All classes will be held via Zoom. Ideally, your child can participate in a location with limited distractions. A video of all class performances will be available via DropBox each week.

Website: https://www.pbtalent.com/wp-content/uploads/Sara-Gaston.pdf

On Camera Acting Classes

Next Actor Studio | Year Round

Next Actor Studio teaches on-camera acting. Students may bring an SD card or request the studio to email their performance video files.

Website: http://www.nextactor.com/

Summer

Aurora Summer Filmmaking Camp

Aurora Picture Show | Summer

Week-long sessions in which instructors screen a variety of films from Aurora's media library, teach the basics of traditional/experimental moviemaking techniques, encourage creative thinking, and facilitate collaboration. Participants are guided through developing, shooting, and editing digital short films, and provided with links to their projects for downloading and sharing. Completed summer camp films are shown at a special premiere screening at The Museum of Fine Arts Houston.

Website: http://aurorapictureshow.org/pages/summer-filmmaking-camps-120.asp

Performing Arts Playground Camp

Main Street Theater Summer

Your child already has the tools needed to love the arts and to create them: a voice, a body, and an imagination. At Main Street Theater's summer camp, your young performer will be able to exercise those tools under the mentorship of theater and performing arts professionals.

Website: https://mainstreettheater.com/summer-camps/

Filmmaking Bootcamps

ECHO Film School and Studio Summer

Students are able to create a festival-ready short film as they learn script writing, directing, camera skills, lighting, audio and digital editing techniques.

Website: https://www.echofilmschool.com/workshops

Moving Pictures Workshop

University of Houston & Wonderworks | Summer

High-school students will acquire an understanding of lighting, cinematography, production design, continuity, dramatic structure, location scouting, editing and a host of other concepts/skills essential to filmmaking. Students also become more knowledgeable moviegoers- each day concludes with the screening of a narrative or documentary film of special interest, introduced and discussed by members of the UH and Rice faculties or curators from the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston.

Website: http://wonderworkshouston.org/

Digital Media Year Round

Coding Camp

The Coder School | Year Round

At the Coder School, we want to do more than just teach coding. We want aspiring coders to use their new found passion as a stepping stone to thinking outside the box, as a way to channel their ideas in a creative way and most importantly, to have fun.

Website: https://www.thecoderschool.com/locations/spring/#camps

Coding Clubs

Girls Who Code | Year-Round

Join a safe and supportive environment of peers and role models where girls learn to see themselves as computer scientists. Learn the concepts of loops, variables, conditionals and functions that form the basis of all programming languages. Work in teams to complete a computer science impact project that solves a real-world problem in your community.

Website: https://girlswhocode.com/programs/clubs-program

Summer

Coding and STEM Camps

University of Houston | Summer

Students may choose from a variety of coding and STEM camps available as they explore various disciplines in ways that are fun and interesting while developing their skills.

Website: https://uh.edu/about/community/summer-camps/

Summer Immersion Program

Girls Who Code | Summer

Our Summer Immersion Program is a free 2-week introductory computer science program for 10th-11th grade girls going into their junior or senior year of high school. During the 2-week program, participants learn about computer science, gain exposure to tech jobs, and join a sisterhood of girls who are using computer science to become change-makers. Each week of the program covers projects related to computer science, such as art, storytelling, robotics, video games, web sites, and apps. You'll also hear from guest speakers, participate in workshops, connect with female engineers and entrepreneurs, and go on field trips. The program culminates in a final project where you build your own product and share it with your class.

Website: https://girlswhocode.com/programs/summer-immersion-program

Tech Camps

Digital Media Academy @ University of Houston | Summer

Digital Media Academy runs tech summer camps that offer students ages 9 to 17 a variety of topics to choose from. Kids and teens will delve into a world of different coding languages, explore artificial intelligence, and learn to make movies. There are camps for every facet of digital media, and students are sure to find something that they are interested in. Along the way, they'll become well-rounded learners, developing communication and critical-thinking skills.

Website: https://www.digitalmediaacademy.org/texas-tech-camps/university-of-houston/

PALESTINE

Precipice School of Film

The Arts Center | Year Round

The Precipice School of Film was created to instill knowledge, gain experience, and strengthen their students' confidence from a faith-based perspective while working professionally in the film industry. They offer two sections of each class: ages 7-13 and 14-18.

Website: https://www.facebook.com/PrecipiceSchoolofFilm/

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Performance and Production

Year Round

EMA Film Program

Elyson Media Academy Film Program | Year Round

The youth will produce a Short Film in anticipation of the annual EMA Film Festival, Design their DVD & Marquis Poster and producing their movie. The EMA Music Program will be producing music for the film program soundtrack and producing a mixed CD compilation. They will learn skills in Team Building, Entrepreneurship and Personal Development/Discipleship. All this while exercising a creative process using today's latest technology and professional production equipment, alongside some of San Antonio's local professionals.

Website: https://fun4alamokids.com/Programs-Classes/Film-and-Photography/Elyon-Media-Academy-Film-Program/View-details

Media Arts Studio (MAS)

Say Si | Year Round

Technology-based program for grades 6-11 involving all phases of production, i.e. screenwriting, location scouting, budgeting, editing, directing, casting, lighting, etc. Also provides opportunity to work on marketing of completed films.

Website: http://saysi.org/programs/high-school-media-arts-studio-program/

PRO Teen Acting – Stage and Film Classes

Performing Arts San Antonio | Year Round

Students work on monologues and short published one-act plays that can be placed on their resumes as a production credit in addition to the training credit. Class focuses on breaking down a script to make the correct choices to fulfill character.

Website: https://performingartssa.org/

Picture Your World Youth Photography Program

Green Spaces Alliance | Year Round

Picture Your World provides a unique opportunity for youth and their families to share the experience of nature up close and personal. The program brings families and under-served schools to both new and familiar natural areas, forming partnerships with other conservation entities. As a strategic outdoor education program, Picture Your World actively connects children with their natural environment, teaches them about the nature around them, while endowing them with the tools, photography instruction and art concepts necessary to engage their imagination and express themselves creatively.

Website: https://greensatx.org/workshops/

Key

- Indicates opportunities for students of color/from underrepresented communities
- Indicates opportunities for students with disabilities
- Indicates opportunities for students belonging to the LGBTQ+ community