

# THEATRE HISTORY

A journey through stage and time!

## Lesson Topics

Ancient Greek Theatre: Thespis is My Homeboy - The First Actor

Asian Theatre: Can't say "Noh"

Medieval Theater: What's the moral?

Comedia del Arte: Make 'em Laugh

Bill Shakespeare and Friends

French Restoration: It's all about Style

Victorian Theatre: "Wilde" About You!

Modern Theatre: How we got here.

Musical Theatre: Give them something to sing about!

## Materials

Participants will need access to the following -

- a computer with a word processing program such as Word, Pages, or Google Doc.
- A reliable internet connection
- The ability to participate in Zoom meetings with a web camera and microphone.
- a smartphone or camera to film some of their creations
- a Private Youtube Channel
- an email account
- Art Supplies to make theatre masks and diagrams!

## Description:

This online class is intended for students who love theatre, but also want to know how the past brought us to our present art form. Get ready for a tour around the world and throughout time without ever leaving home. Class will be a combination of online videos, one on one feedback sessions/ discussions, fun assignments to show off your knowledge, plays and excerpt readings, and performing some great historical works from home!



Lessons will be sent on Mondays via email

Zoom Sessions will be scheduled individually

Instructor: Danielle Doster

"Ms. Danielle/Ms. Dani"

## About the Instructor:

Danielle Doster is a long-time Centerstage Academy theatre teacher and director. At Christopher Newport University, she blended her love of reading and theatre into a Bachelor's of Arts in English Literature and Directing and Dramatic Literature. Ms. Dani loves history and getting a chance to teach about the history of her favorite art is a dream come true. She has had a chance to act as a Dramaturg (Theatre Historian) on multiple shows and one of her favorite things to do is research and make it easy to learn for her actors and production team!