

## *The Marquee Ensemble:*

A free musical theatre & community arts program

### **OVERVIEW**

*The Marquee Ensemble*, formerly known as the *MARQUEE Program*, is an annual professional and community arts enrichment program offered by [The Musical Stage Company](#). Each year, program workshops and activities are designed in alignment with a production from that year's season with the aim of fostering new, meaningful connections to contemporary music theatre with local artists and audiences.

This year's *Marquee Ensemble* members can expect to participate in weekly theatre, dance, and music workshops, group discussions, facilitated independent creation and reflection time, personal presentations from the cast and creative team of [DIXON ROAD](#), and creative, social opportunities to connect with fellow art-lovers and theatre arts professionals.

### **What does *The Marquee Ensemble* offer?**

- A welcoming community of art-loving peers & mentors
- 2 complimentary tickets to **DIXON ROAD**
- Creative performance workshops with exciting local artists
- TTC fare, snacks & accessibility funds will be provided

This year's program will be offered in person at the High Park Nature Centre, in both indoor and outdoor spaces, and in accordance with our COVID Health & Safety Policy. Program days are on all Sundays in June (2022), from 2 - 6 pm.

### **HOW TO APPLY**

To apply to *The Marquee Ensemble* Program, please [click here](#) to fill out the application form.

Participants ages 18 and older are welcome to apply. No experience in the arts is necessary, and varying levels of experience are warmly welcomed. Limited spots are available, with priority given to applicants that are available to attend all 4 sessions (June 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th).

We encourage applications from people who have felt previously uninvited to and unwelcome in music theatre spaces. We acknowledge that the practice of conventional musical theatre is often hostile to most cultural backgrounds, marginalized classes, abilities, identities and languages. We are looking forward to collaborating with participants to co-create a space that celebrates your lived experience, your histories, and your interests in music, dance, and theatre.

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

### **Applications are Open**

- Tuesday, April 12th, 2022

### **Applications Close**

- Monday, May 2nd, 2022

### **Applicants are Notified**

- Monday, May 9th, 2022

## **ACCESSIBILITY**

Through the program's accessibility fund, we are open to arranging translation services, providing childcare subsidies, and offering specific supports that would improve your participation in the program. Creating more access for *The Marquee Ensemble* is very important to us at The Musical Stage Company, and we are always learning how to do this better. We are open to speaking more about access needs with anyone who would like to request their own or learn more about the steps we are taking - if you're wondering if certain services can be made available, please ask!

For ease of access, there are alternative ways to apply for this program - including by phone. If you would like to set up a phone interview or arrange an alternate way to complete this application, please let us know!

If you have any additional questions, would like to learn more about different ways we can support your accessibility needs, or would like to arrange an alternate way to complete this application, please contact Program Manager Camila Diaz-Varela at [camiladiazvarela@musicalstagecompany.com](mailto:camiladiazvarela@musicalstagecompany.com).