

Types of Youth Training

Development | Recreation | Performance | CAT Scheme | Birmingham Youth Circus



Progressive Training
Level 1/2/3



Play Learning



Circus/Theatre/
Devising



Advanced Funded
Training for Future
Professionals (11-16yrs)



Birmingham's own
Circus Performance Troupe
(11-19Yrs)

Development

Circus Development classes run from level 1 to level 3. Level 1 explores circus language, foundation and technique across acrobatics, aerial, hand-eye coordination and balance skills. At Level two we introduce theatre and creative movement and level 3 develops preparation for advanced training. Level 3 participants can audition for the CAT Scheme and Birmingham Youth Circus.

Recreation

Recreation is focused around play. We'll explore the hidden adventures of the balancing, aerial acrobatic and juggling world and play some good old games doing it. Recreation is a fantastic starting point for circus skills and is also fabulous for children with additional needs. We can't wait for you to hop on the recreation train to the big top.

Performance

Our CirqueStars Performance classes work with a director and choreographer to bring to life all of the technical skills learned at Level 1, 2 and 3 and wrap them into a jaw-dropper of a performance. Birmingham Youth Circus auditions annually, meets once a week and performs out in the community at events, festivals and through this we introduce them into the professional world of Performance.

CAT Scheme

The CAT Scheme is ran in partnership with the National Centre for Circus Arts in London. It is a funded programme that takes youth 11-16 and gives them 11-18hours worth of training a week (depending on age). They receive individual training plans, specialist workshops held through the year at the National Centre, Financial Support and opportunities to perform in circus throughout the UK with CircusMASH. More information can be found at www.circusmash.co.uk/cat-scheme.

Birmingham Youth Circus



*Launching in celebration
of Circus250*

The Birmingham Youth Circus will launch in January 2018! More information will be available soon!