

The Copenhagen Experience – 12-18 July 21

Detailed information

Thank you for expressing interest in CopE. Below is the detailed information regarding the course, the planned activities and experiences that participants can expect. It is our intention to offer a safe, fun and creative in-person experience for those linked to LEATSS and its work, and which complements the online LEATSS Summer School.

Course Details

THROUGH COURSE

Acting technique and character development

Tutor: **Janice Dunn**

Description: Elements of acting technique and character development from a variety of sources. The work will build day on day and will be developed via the principles of Ensemble theatre working, in a fun and accessible way, at the pace of the group. This process involves six morning workshops, from Monday to Saturday, and may involve the creation of a new short piece of ensemble playing
16,5 hours (11 sessions of 90 minutes)

GUEST WORKSHOPS (subject to confirmation due to other work commitments)

Acting

Tutor: **Troells Toya** (director, TV and theatre actor, Artistic Director of the Skuespillerakademiet)

Description: Acting workshop based on some Meisner and Michael Chekhov principles.
3 hours (2 sessions of 90 minutes)

Sign language interpretation

Tutor: **Ida Nørfelt Lund** (actor, co-director of her own theatre company, sign language interpreter for TV and theatre)

Description: An introductory workshop to sign language interpretation, using songs to help experience the skills and expression of this particular craft.
3 hours (2 sessions of 90 minutes)

Comedy improvisation

Tutor: **Christian Damsgaard** (actor, comedy improviser, teacher, highly experienced in comedy, cabaret and revue creation and performance)

Description: An open and relaxed comedy improv workshop, covering a variety of techniques and styles. Suitable for everyone, especially those who have never particularly tried improv before.

3 hours (2 sessions of 90 minutes)

To be announced

Description: A workshop to effectively round off the Copenhagen Experience as a group
3 hours (2 sessions of 90 minutes) – Saturday 18th

ACTIVITIES

Each morning will start with a warm-up after breakfast in the venue.

An outdoor group work is planned on Wednesday afternoon, followed in the evening by a barbeque on Amager beach (weather permitting).

After the first morning session on Thursday, we shall take the train to Helsingør (Elsinore in Danish), where outdoor group work is planned as well as a visit to 'Hamlet's' castle, before returning in the evening. (There are regular trains between Copenhagen and Helsingør, so people can return earlier if they wish.)

EVENINGS (voluntary)

The following activities are planned:

Sunday 11th – meal together in a restaurant close to the hotel

Monday 12th – Copenhagen city sightseeing tour

Tuesday 13th – event or visit (possibly an outdoor performance or interacting with artists from the city)

Wednesday 14th – barbeque on Amager beach (included in price)

Thursday 15th – Elsinore castle

Friday 16th – event or visit (see Tuesday)

Saturday 17th – after a short feedback, reflection and wrap up session, we shall find somewhere to relax and chat.

Timetable

The timetable is less intense than our regular live summer school. This is because the venue does not have the refreshing and relaxing outdoor spaces of Clairefontaine nor rooms to retreat to for quiet time or a quick nap. The CopE timetable is therefore geared to enable participants to fully participate without feeling jaded or over-tired, as well as to appreciate the beautiful city of Copenhagen in the summer.

The through acting course, all four workshops and the outdoor group work activities form part of the course. Participants will not be asked to choose as in our regular summer school.

The timetable is available in graphic and list form and is also published on the website.

All times CET (Luxembourg, Amsterdam, Copenhagen)

08:00 - 09:00	09:00 - 09:30	09:30 - 11:00	11:00 - 11:30	11:30 - 13:00	13:00 - 14:00	14:00 - 15:30	15:30 - 16:00	16:00 - 17:30	17:30 - 18:00	18:00 - 19:00	19:00 - 19:30	19:30 - 20:00	20:00 -
1h00	0h30	1h30	0h30	1h30	1h00	1h30	0h30	1h30	0h30	1h00	0h30	0h30	

Sun 11												Dinner out*			
Mon 12	Breakfast	Warm-up	Course	Tea / coffee	Course	Lunch	Workshop 1	Tea / coffee	Workshop 1	Free	Supper	Free	City tour*		
Tues 13			Course		Course		Workshop 2		Workshop 2				Event/visit*		
Wed 14			Course		Course	Packed lunch	Activity	Break	Activity		Barbeque				
Thurs 15			Course		Train to Elsinor*	Packed lunch	Activity with break				Visit and return by train* Supper at food stalls*				
Fri 16			Course		Course	Lunch	Workshop 3	Tea / coffee	Workshop 3		Free	Supper	Free	Show/event*	
Sat 17			Course		Course		Workshop 4		Workshop 4					Reflect	Celebrate*
Sun 18	Breakfast in hotel*														

Legend

at venue

external

xxx* voluntary activity, not included in price

Day	Time	Duration	Event	Location	In or out of price
Sun 11	19:00		Dinner	Restaurant	Voluntary
Mon 12	08:00 - 09:00	1h	Breakfast	Venue	Included in price
	09:00 - 09:30	0h30	Warm-up	Venue	Course work
	09:30 - 11:00	1h30	Course session 1	Venue	Course work
	11:00 - 11:30	0h30	Tea/coffee	Venue	Included in price
	11:30 - 13:00	1h30	Course session 2	Venue	Course work
	13:00 - 14:00	1h	Lunch	Venue	Included in price
	14:00 - 15:30	1h30	Workshop session 1	Venue	Course work
	15:30 - 16:00	0h30	Tea/coffee	Venue	Included in price
	16:00 - 17:30	1h30	Workshop session 2	Venue	Course work
	17:30 - 18:00	0h30	Free		
	18:00 - 19:00	1h	Supper	Venue	Included in price
	19:00 - 19:30	0h30	Free time		
	19:30 - 21:00	1h30	City Tour	External	Voluntary
Tues 13	same as Monday				
	19:30 - ?	1h30+	Event/visit	External	Voluntary
Wed 14	same as Monday				
	13:00 - 14:00	1h	Lunch	External	packed lunch included
	14:00 - 15:30	1h30	External session 1	External	Course work
	15:30 - 16:00	0h30	Tea/coffee	External	Included in price
	16:00 - 17:30	1h30	External session 2	External	Course work
	17:30 - 18:00	0h30	Free time		
	18:00 - 21:00	1h30	BBQ	External	Included in price
Thurs 15	same as Monday				
	08:00 - 09:00	1h	Breakfast	Venue	Included in price
	09:00 - 09:30	0h30	Warm-up	Venue	Course work
	09:30 - 11:00	1h30	Course session 1	Venue	Course work
	11:00 - 11:30	0h30	Tea/coffee	Venue	Included in price
	11:30 - 17:30	6h	Trip to Elsinore	External	3h group work, packed lunch included
	17:30 - 21:00	3h30	Visit Elsinore Castle	External	Supper at food stalls
Fri 16	same as Monday				
	19:30 - ?	1h30	Show/event	External	Voluntary
Sat 17	same as Monday				
	19:30 - 20:00	1h	Reflection	Venue	Course work
	20:00	1h30+	Celebration	External	Voluntary
Sun 18	09:00	1h+	Breakfast	Hotel	Voluntary

Price

The cost per participant is **475€**. This includes venue, tuition, all meals (breakfast, lunch and supper from Monday to Saturday, except supper on Thursday), tea and coffee after meals and during breaks.

Additional costs, not included in the price, will be for accommodation, public transport, entry tickets for events or shows, supper at Helsingør food stalls, all beverages other than tea and coffee in the venue. These costs (excluding alcoholic beverages) are estimated to be in the region of 400 € (shared accommodation) or 555 € (single accommodation). The chosen hotel has agreed to hold the very reasonable group rates (approx. 36€/night/person for a twin room and 59€/night for a single room) with free cancellation up to the day before.

We shall operate a self-service bar at the venue with beer, wine and soft drinks to be bought on a tab system and paid for at the end of the week (in Krone).

Applications: These are to be made online at www.leadss.lu, from 8th May. As there are a maximum of 16 places, these will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis. To secure a place, fees must be paid by 1st June 2021. Should payment not be received, the booking will be cancelled. Participants must book their own accommodation. The code to access the group rate will be sent to students upon successful application.

Cancellation policy: As places are limited, a strict cancellation policy will apply in order to ensure that cancelled places can be filled in time:

- Cancellation of the event – full refund
- Cancellation by participant before 16th June – 75% refund
- Cancellation by participant before 30th June – 50% refund
- Cancellation by participant after 30th June – no refund.

Practical

Accommodation: A block booking has been made at the Copenhagen Go City Hotel. This is a good standard hotel – almost brand new – with friendly staff, and a 24-hour bar. The hotel is 2 minutes from the Amager beach park, less than 20 minutes' relaxed walk from the venue (1,4 km which Janice does in 12 minutes), 500 m from the nearest metro station (4 stops from the airport), and 400 m from the nearest bus stop. Line 77 will take you directly to the venue. The hotel offers a no-penalty cancellation up to the day before arrival. To qualify for the reduced group rate, go to <https://www.go-hotel.com/> choose Copenhagen and add any dates between the 9th and 18th of July. Your promotion code is Leadss.

Venue: The Skuespillerakademiet, (The Acting Academy), is a working and thriving drama school which we shall have to ourselves for the duration of CopE. It is situated just off the busy Amagerbrogade main street, over a Lidl supermarket.

There is a fully equipped kitchen, with refrigerators, ovens and microwaves, all of which we

can use. We also have access to unlimited wifi, a washing machine and dryer, and showers if needed. There are four working spaces, an office space, a community eating space (in the kitchen area), a quiet room and a roof terrace over the Lidl car park. The whole venue is non-smoking.

Food: Fresh food will be brought into the venue daily. Breakfast will be self-serve, also lunch (cold buffet). with a brought-in warm meal for supper. Non-meat/fish and other dietary options can be catered for. On two days we shall be having a packed lunch outdoors. Participants will select their own lunch from the buffet, so please bring an appropriate receptacle, as well as a bottle for water. Coffee, tea and snacks will be provided in the breaks.

Bar: Beer, wine, juice and soft drinks will be available in the kitchen area for self-service. Consumption is to be noted on a tab with payment in cash (Krone) at the end of the week.

Public transport: Payment is easiest with a personal 'Rejsekort', an electronic ticketing system valid for bus, train and metro. A Rejsekort for people from outside Denmark must be ordered in advance. We will do this for you, should you wish. An amount of 300kr (40€) should be sufficient for the week, if you use public transport. Top ups can be made online or at Rejsekort vending machines.

The return trip by train to Helsingør will cost about 110kr (15€). A Rejsekort can be used.

Clothing: comfortable, loose clothing and trainer-type shoes for course work. Casual wear for outside visits and trips. A bathing costume and towel, should the water at the beach prove too inviting to resist. A lightweight raincoat should we be unlucky with the weather.

Accessibility: The venue is only accessible via an outside metal staircase and there is no lift inside the venue.

Covid: Denmark has had a very successful policy regarding the suppression of Covid-19, and vaccination, and has extremely low infection numbers. We assume this will continue. We will ensure that the venue remains as clean and protected as possible, that the correct Covid protocols are observed and that no unnecessary risks are taken. Covid quick tests are readily available, and the simple and efficient system is geared to delivering a corona pass to mobile phones. The possibility that EU residents may access tests for free will be checked, as well as the situation for UK residents.

Copenhagen: A beautiful city, with much to offer in the summer. Janice has arranged for good weather and hopes we can enjoy as much of the city as the timetable permits.

Questions: Should anyone have any questions regarding CopE, or indeed staying on in Copenhagen, please feel free to contact us:

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