

# Student Membership Application Form 2023

**Equity is the trade union representing and supporting creative professionals and performers working across the entire spectrum of arts and entertainment.**

This form is for applicants aged 16 and over. If you're training for a career as an actor, stage manager, dancer, singer, choreographer, circus performer, theatre director or variety artist then you can join Equity as a Student as soon as you start your course if it lasts for one year or more. Studying for GCSEs or A Levels in the Performing Arts does not make you eligible for Student Membership.

Your Membership will cost £24.00 per year for as long as you're studying. Once you've completed your course, you'll be eligible to upgrade to Graduate Membership. As a Graduate Member, you'll have access to all of the benefits associated with full Equity Membership at a 50% reduced subscription rate for a period of two years.

If you are not eligible for Student Membership and are aged 10-17 please complete a Child Membership application or if you are 18 and over please apply for Full Membership.

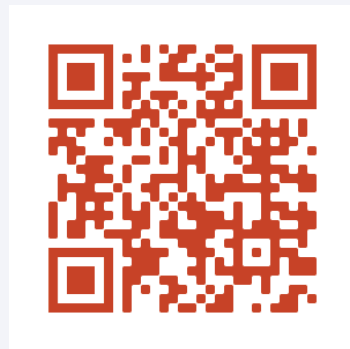
Please return your completed form and payment to:

**Equity (Membership Applications)  
FREEPOST RTKS-BRUB-LYJR  
Guild House, Upper St Martin's  
Lane, London, WC2H 9EG**

**Email: [membership@equity.org.uk](mailto:membership@equity.org.uk)**

**Thank you for applying to join Equity.**

**If you would like to join online please scan this QR code:**



# Benefits

Membership brings with it a range of benefits, see below for a selection..

## Information

You'll receive the Equity Membership magazine twice a year. It is full of the latest updates about our campaigns, industry news and career advice. You'll also be able to access the Members' area of our website, where there are hundreds of pages of important information about your rights at work, upcoming events nationwide plus tips for professionals and students alike. Make sure you're following [@Equity\\_Students](#) and [@EquityUK](#) on twitter or on [instagram/EquityUK](#) and [facebook.com/EquityUK](#).

## Insurance

As a Student Member you automatically receive £2 million Public Liability Insurance. This is included in your Membership and you don't need to pay any extra for it. You'll be covered while participating in any occasional professional or amateur productions, profit shares or rehearsals you might undertake outside of your school or college while you're in training – perfect for Edinburgh.

## What next?

After you've graduated, we'll write to you about moving to Graduate Membership and help you through the process. After you've completed the two years of Graduate Membership you'll be eligible to upgrade to Full Membership. For every year you've been a Student and/or Graduate Member you'll get £11 off the joining fee for Full Membership. To upgrade, you'll need to supply evidence that you've earned £500 from relevant work. However, if you've trained on an Equity recognised course you can upgrade automatically. For further information or assistance email [students@equity.org.uk](mailto:students@equity.org.uk)

## Your Payment Fee:

Annually (£24)  Half-yearly (£12)  Quarterly (£6)

Monthly (For direct debit only £2)

### 1) Direct debit

Please complete the form below.

### 2) Credit/debit card:

I authorise you to debit my credit/debit card

£

Visa/Mastercard/Maestro/Electron/Amex (delete as applicable)

A. Card no

B. Expiry Date

C. Valid From

D. Issue no (if applicable)

E. Security no

F. Name on card

### 3) Cheques:

This should be made payable to **Equity** and enclosed with your completed form. Please write your requested professional (stage) name on the back.

## The Application Form

1. Your details (please write very clearly)

Legal name

Male  Female  Trans Female/Trans Woman

Trans Male/Trans Man  Non Binary/ Gender Non-Conforming

Other gender identity

Date of birth

Nationality

Permanent contact address

Post code

Tel  Mob

Email

### 2. Professional (stage) name

Please write below your preferences; put your legal name first if this is your first choice. Please note if the name or a very similar one is already in use by another Equity Member we will not be able to allow you to have it, so please give a choice of names. Inserting a middle name, an initial or changing the spelling is also not acceptable, for example Judy L Dench would not be allowed. Equity continues to reserve your Student Member name for as long as you remain in Membership and it stays with you when you move into full Equity. It is possible to change your professional name but there is a cost involved.

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### 3. Your course

Name of institution

Name of course

State Date

Completion Date

Type of course:

BA (Hons)  BFA  BMus (Hons)  BSc (Hons)

Cert HE  DIP CE  Diploma  Fda

Grad Cert  Grad Dip  HNC  HND

MA  MMus  MSc  PG Cert

PG Dip  PhD  Other

## Your Application

### Payment (Cont)

### Declaration and Data Protection

I agree to share contact information including postal address, email address and phone number with the secretary of your local branch for the purposes of receiving direct communications from your local Equity Branch (you will be able to revoke this permission at any time)

Please note that there are some materials or emails we need to send out to you because we function as a trade union. This includes statutory notifications, annual accounts and ballot papers.

### Notifications you receive (tick to opt out)

**Receive emails**, such as subscription reminders and the monthly newsletter. Opting out will also supersede your branch preference below.

**Receive post**, such as the Equity Magazine. If you opt out you may still receive the magazine when it includes statutory notifications, annual accounts or ballot papers.

**Receive Branch emails**, such as branch newsletters and meeting agendas. You will only receive mailings from the branch you are registered with.

**Receive Branch post**, such as branch newsletters where you have elected not to receive them by email. You will only receive mailings from the branch you are registered with.

