From day one of our Virtual Summer Program, our student artists came ready to play, to question, to collaborate, and to learn. They proved that energy can indeed be passed and received through a computer screen with such a palpable quality of ensemble and grace. Through their work as actors, comedians, designers, and directors, they created a tried and true community that broke down barriers and harvested positive social change. In addition to our participants' brilliance, this new virtual platform opened up connections to top industry professionals and experiences that would otherwise have been unavailable. We are beyond grateful for the positive and innovative theatrical outlet we all created together. Kayla Raelle Holder, Program Director



56 students.
24 actors.
10 comedians.
9 designers.
13 directors.
21 states.
19 teachers.
7 Zoomrooms.
3 weeks.
1 community.

SPECIALEVENTS



Robert V. & Kaylee P. & Elise S. & Addison L. & Callie M. & Nathan K. & Nina F. & Katie F. & Michael B. & Giovanna C. & Megan C. & Lizzie F. & Jak K. & Sarah M. & Isha P. & Masai W.





24 hours.

9 teams.

9 original works.





Thursday, July 9th 6-8PM All Program Gatherings room.





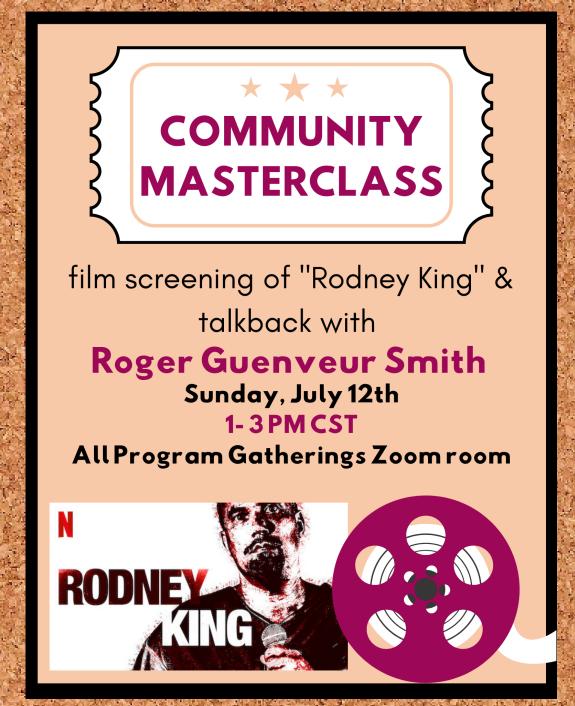








Jalen Gilbert (BFA Acting '16), Connor Wang (BFA Sound Design '17), Lavina Jadhwani (MFA Directing '16), **Maureen Kuhl** (BFA Theatre Arts '15)







4:20-4:50 Section 2 Acting: Radio Play

4:50-5:30 Closing Celebration

STUDENT TESTIMONIALS

"We have been able to access the parts of ourselves that make us the great artists we already are. We have also learned that a large part of directing is inserting those parts of ourselves into every piece we make. Through this, we've learned so much about ourselves and each other." - Madison C.,

Directing



"That's what connects us all: our love of theatre. This live experience has opened our eyes and made us want to do it again and again and again. At some point, each and every one of us has had an experience in a theatre– seeing a comedy show, seeing a musical, seeing a play—that changed us and drew us in. That's what brought us to DePaul: our collective willingness to improve at something we love."

- Lizzie F., Comedy Arts

"My family has an actual motto. "Someday Starts Today". It means don't' wait until 'someday' to make your dream happen, do what you can today- right now is what you have. The TTS summer program may be over, but the future is tomorrow, and tomorrow is a new Today.

Dream Big, Act Now. We now have new tools in our kit and new experiences to build on and share, and new friends that made our world a bit larger than it was 3 weeks ago."

- Behr C., Acting

"With my fellow designers, I was able to wake up every morning to talk about art, stretch, and talk about how we were feeling. I felt like we were in the room together, sharing space. We collaborated and created art without any judgment. In the afternoons, we would get together to go through our highs and lows of the day. More often than not, we wouldn't have any lows."

- Rewa S., Design