

SPEECH ARTS

Syllabus 2023

General Rules

All selections must be from published works unless otherwise specified. A text must be provided for all classes.

All poems, dramatic excerpts and monologues should be age-appropriate and language/content should be suitable for family audiences.

Lyric Poetry – Solo

A lyric poem is contemplative, an expression of inner thought and feelings of the speaker in the room. No (or limited) movement or gestures.

One choice of published selection. Memorization is required. Time limit – 4 minutes.

Class Code	Level	Fee
SA-001	Beginner	\$20.00
SA-002	Primary	\$20.00
SA-003	Elementary	\$22.00
SA-004	Junior	\$22.00
SA-005	Intermediate	\$24.00
SA-006	Senior	\$24.00
SA-007	Advanced	\$25.00
SA-008	Adult	\$25.00

Narrative Poetry – Solo

A poem that tells a story and is delivered directly to the audience. Gestures are allowed for emphasis, but it is not dramatized.

One choice of published selection. Memorization is required. Time limit – 4 minutes.

Class Code	Level	Fee
SA-011	Beginner	\$20.00
SA-012	Primary	\$20.00
SA-013	Elementary	\$22.00
SA-014	Junior	\$22.00
SA-015	Intermediate	\$24.00
SA-016	Senior	\$24.00
SA-017	Advanced	\$25.00
SA-018	Adult	\$25.00

Humorous Poetry – Solo

Light or humorous poem (like Roald Dahl) – content age-appropriate for all audiences. One choice of published selection. Memorization is required. Time limit – 4 minutes

Class Code	Level	Fee
SA-021	Beginner	\$20.00
SA-022	Primary	\$20.00
SA-023	Elementary	\$22.00
SA-024	Junior	\$22.00
SA-025	Intermediate	\$24.00
SA-026	Senior	\$24.00
SA-027	Advanced	\$25.00
SA-028	Adult	\$25.00

Monologue Other Than Shakespeare – Solo

There are three types of monologues: monologues that address an audience directly; soliloquies spoken as if the character is alone (revealing inner thoughts); and speeches delivered to another character. Selection must be a scene depicting one character from a published play or published anthology of monologues. Scene may be abridged so the selection includes only the words of one character. Memorization is required. Time limit – 4 minutes

Class Code	Level	Fee
SA-032	Primary	\$20.00
SA-033	Elementary	\$22.00
SA-034	Junior	\$22.00
SA-035	Intermediate	\$24.00
SA-036	Senior	\$24.00
SA-037	Advanced	\$25.00
SA-038	Adult	\$25.00

Shakespeare Monologue - Solo

Own choice of a scene or speech from any play by William Shakespeare. Scene may be abridged so monologue includes only the words of one character. Memorization is required. Time limit – 5 minutes.

Class Code	Level	Fee
SA-044	Junior	\$22.00
SA-045	Intermediate	\$24.00
SA-046	Senior	\$24.00
SA-047	Advanced	\$25.00
SA-048	Adult	\$25.00

Prose Solo

Selections must be an excerpt form, but not limited to, a published essay, novel or short story. No acting and limited movement around the stage. Participant may stand or be seated. Memorization is required.

Time limit – 4 minutes

Class Code	Level	Fee
SA-053	Elementary	\$22.00
SA-054	Junior	\$22.00
SA-055	Intermediate	\$24.00
SA-056	Senior	\$24.00
SA-057	Advanced	\$25.00
SA-058	Adult	\$25.00

Storytelling – Solo

Participants may write their own story, or retell, in their own words, a published folk, fairy tale, myth or legend. Memorization is required. Time limit – 4 minutes.

Class Code	Level	Fee
SA-061	Beginner	\$20.00
SA-062	Primary	\$20.00
SA-063	Elementary	\$22.00
SA-064	Junior	\$22.00
SA-065	Intermediate	\$24.00
SA-066	Senior	\$24.00
SA-067	Advanced	\$25.00
SA-068	Adult	\$25.00

Mime – Solo

Own choice from an original or a published work. Performance may take place in silence, be accompanied by recorded music or live music. Time limit – 4 minutes

Class Code	Level	Fee
SA-073	Elementary	\$22.00
SA-074	Junior	\$22.00
SA-075	Intermediate	\$24.00
SA-076	Senior	\$24.00
SA-077	Advanced	\$25.00
SA-078	Adult	\$25.00

Public Speaking

Competitors will prepare and present an organized speech on a topic of their choice. Content must be suitable for all ages/audiences. The speech may be delivered to entertain, influence, or inform the audience. Cue cards are permitted. Time limit – 5 minutes.

Class Code	Level	Fee
SA-081	Beginner	\$20.00
SA-082	Primary	\$20.00
SA-083	Elementary	\$22.00
SA-084	Junior	\$22.00
SA-085	Intermediate	\$24.00
SA-086	Senior	\$24.00
SA-087	Advanced	\$25.00
SA-088	Adult	\$25.00

Original Poetry – Solo

Competitors perform their own original poem from memory. Performance will be assessed on content, delivery, creativity and originality. Memorization is required. Time limit – 4 minutes.

Class Code	Level	Fee
SA-091	Beginner	\$20.00
SA-092	Primary	\$20.00
SA-093	Elementary	\$22.00
SA-094	Junior	\$22.00
SA-095	Intermediate	\$24.00
SA-096	Senior	\$24.00
SA-097	Advanced	\$25.00
SA-098	Adult	\$25.00