HBTI Leader in Training Program

Are you interested in learning more about theatre education while honing your own theatre training? The Hathaway Brown Theatre Institute is excited to present our **Leader in Training Program.**

The LIT Program is a work study program designed to give students the opportunity to work with our youngest thespians while continuing to develop their performance skills. LITs will attend three periods of Prime or Intermediate classes per day, the first two weeks focusing on observation of the lead teacher and the second two weeks engaging in classroom management and instruction.

When not in the Prime or Intermediate classrooms, LITs will attend Advanced level classes with their peers. LITs will also be given the option of one period of individual instruction per week, in either Acting, Dance or Voice. Every week will conclude with a group LIT meeting with the Prime Director and the Program Director to identify areas of growth and accomplishment.

LITs are expected to participate in both morning classes and afternoon rehearsals. They will audition for the session production and are expected to be role models for their younger castmates. LITs may be asked to join creative teams as Dance Captains or Section Leaders, which would include the responsibility of running brush up rehearsals.

In exchange for their work, LITs will be awarded either full or partial scholarship to the HBTI program, depending on availability. Participation is at the discretion of the HBTI Staff, and if Trainees fail to meet the required expectations they may be asked to leave the program, without reimbursement.

Application Requirements

The LIT application will consist of several short essay questions and a video audition. Please prepare 32 bars of a song that shows your personality. It can be a favorite song, a role you particularly loved playing, or something you just love to sing. In the slate, please let us know your name, grade in school, and a short sentence about why you chose your audition song. The written application will open at the beginning of January with the announcement of our 2026 season.

Please direct any questions to the HBTI Program Director, Violet Webster at vwebster@hb.edu

Apply Here!