



2026 Summer School Programs at the Shanghai Theatre Academy
Application deadline: 25 March 2026

The Shanghai Summer School at STA offers two programs in 2026, balancing traditional heritage and cutting-edge innovation to create an immersive artistic learning experience for students.

The Traditional Chinese Opera program includes three core courses: Chinese Opera Acting, Chinese Opera Theory, and Chinese Culture. The practical component focuses on the essence of traditional Chinese opera performance, systematically covering professional training in body movements, water sleeve techniques, sword and spear routines, as well as the study of classic opera excerpts. The Chinese Culture and Language course helps students deeply trace the core of traditional Chinese culture and establish a solid theoretical cognitive framework.

The New Media Design program also features three core courses, forming an innovative and practical curriculum system centered on "empowering traditional art with science and technology". Among them, the practical segment of New Media Design focuses on reshaping the expression form of traditional theatre through cutting-edge technology, focusing on practical creation and work presentation. Its content covers core modules such as interactive digital design for performing arts, the integrated application of projection technology, and the cutting-edge exploration of digital performing arts.

Both programs are supported by extra activities, including watching performances of traditional Chinese opera, visits to university-level cutting-edge art laboratories, and field trips to characteristic cultural sites. These activities enable students to immerse themselves in the charm of traditional Chinese culture, while building an international artistic exchange platform to facilitate the collision and integration of cross-cultural artistic ideas.

Both programs are subsidized by Shanghai Education Commission, the commission covers the cost of tuition fees, accommodation and food (lunch and dinner), the students need to cover their flight fare, insurance and other costs.

Please apply to the course if you are interested, or forward the information to your friends and students who might be interested. Thank you very much!