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Soaring Stories with the Royal Flying Doctor 24 March 2010

In the April school holidays, bright young things will be treated to free *Soaring Stories with the Royal Flying Doctor* workshops, exploring theatre improvisation using props inspired by the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

A partnership between AWESOME Arts and the State Library of Western Australia, *Soaring Stories with the Royal Flying Doctor* will see budding young creatives work with Cottesloe movement artist Amanda Barrett Hayes to explore theatre improvisation techniques. Imaginations will run wild as young people create stories around an array of props such as bandages, notepads, old medicine-style bottles, eye-patches, medical cream and fake vomit and blood!

The workshops are free for young people aged 6-12 years old and will be held at *The Place*, at the State Library of Western Australia at 10.30am – 12pm from 6-8th April, 12th & 16th April. Bookings are essential as numbers are limited, call AWESOME on 9485 0560 to secure a place!

Time: 10.30am-12pm

Dates: 6-8th April, 12 & 16th of April

Location: The Place

State Library of Western Australia

25 Francis Street

Perth Cultural Centre

Perth WA

Ages: 6-12yrs

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Originally from the US, Amanda holds an M.A. in Movement Studies from Central School of Speech and Drama in London as well as a B.A. in Theatre Performance from the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Amanda enjoys teaching young aspirants as each class is an exciting learning experience. When working instead with more mature students, she finds the most useful exercises are those that unlock the imagination and creativity of youth. For the past three years she has worked as a movement tutor for the WA Opera's Young Artist Program. She has also directed many shows for the company including the PEET Young Artist Series and Opera in the Park.