



# **Dance Live! Workshop Facilitator (North West Region)**

#### Freelance role

Timescale: 1 day per week, January 2023- April 2024.

Fee: £200 per day (8 hours), inclusive of VAT and expenses

Payments: Paid monthly

Reporting to: Dance Live! Producer, Cherry Lambert and Dance Live! Coordinator, Ella

Stanton-Warren

#### **Summary of Role:**

To arrange and deliver Dance Live! Introductory workshops in the North West region (with a focus on Blackpool and surrounding areas), to Primary and Secondary Schools.

To support the development of Dance Live! in the North West region, building upon existing relationships with schools and event partners, as well as expanding reach to new schools to engage with Dance Live! future projects/events.

The role will be responsible for supporting the Dance Live! Team as it moves into a new phase of development. Assisting with progressing the Strategic Plan created in the last period of activity, the role will support programme development, enhancing the inclusive nature of the organisation, to make dance and technical creative skills accessible to Children and Young People in the North West region.

This is a flexible role which is suited to people with existing freelance work in schools and community settings within Blackpool and the surrounding areas. Workshop delivery will need to take place during school hours or after school. Admin for the role is expected to take place during weekdays and in-line with school holidays and timetables.

# The Dance Live! Workshop Facilitator will:

- Coordinate the delivery of Dance Live! Introductory workshops;
- Liaise with the Dance Live! Team about workshop delivery and involvement of prospective participants;
- Signpost teachers to existing Dance Live! communications and channels;
- Signpost workshop participants to existing post-workshop surveys and evaluations, providing timely, purposeful reports to the Dance Live! Team to inform planning, actions and advocacy;
- Support and enable the Dance Live! Strategic Plan to be progressed in the region;
- Receive training in Dance Live! Introductory workshop framework and delivery across a range of ages and abilities.



## **Person Specification**

All criteria are essential.

#### **Experience:**

- Highly competent in Dance, Drama or Movement workshop delivery in a range of school and education settings;
- Supporting and coordinating collaborative partnerships or networks;
- Working with diverse groups and young people (ages 7-18);
- Past good practice in liaising with teachers or similar around workshop delivery;
- Past good practice in successfully maintaining relationships with schools/teachers; or similar within your network.

### Skills & Knowledge:

- Strong understanding of the network of schools in the region and how best to engage with them;
- Confident delivery of workshops within a school/ education setting to a variety of students;
- Knowledge of at least one type of slide show software (e.g. PowerPoint, Google Slides, Keynote, Canva or similar);
- Ability to self-lead in communication with schools and manage timings of workshop delivery;
- Ability to adapt workshop plans to the needs of the students within the school, considering access and a range of complex learning needs;
- Knowledge and understanding of the barriers young people face in engaging with creative careers;
- Knowledge of how modern technology is changing the world of performance and visual arts;
- Ability to organise own work priorities;
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills;
- Confident, with good interpersonal and networking skills.

### **Education & Training:**

• Educated to degree level and/or demonstrable experience of work in the Creative Cultural Industries (e.g. Performance, Dance, Drama or similar)



#### What is the Dance Live! Event?

Dance Live! is an exciting event for schools and colleges brought to you by The Guildhall Trust. With a focus on raising aspirations, strengthening health and wellbeing and developing skills for creative career choices, Dance Live! also delivers a range of supportive workshop opportunities for schools. Embracing an ever-evolving digital world and how this is changing the face of modern performance, Dance Live! sees those in KS2-4 and Further Education compete with choreographed routines to the backdrop of a giant digital screen with pupils showcasing a range of skills from dance, performance and off-stage technical skills to creative design.

Dance Live! encompasses much more than the spectacle of performers alone. Dance Live! stands as a sanctuary, a steadfast point of stability for our schools' young people. It has provided a secure haven and a mooring, facilitating their continuous engagement with education, collaborative artistic endeavours, newfound skills acquisition, and the nurturing of social bonds. In essence, it has been a propeller of mental well-being and a cultivator of resilience. You can find out more about Dance Live! here: www.dancelive.co.uk.

Dance Live! currently runs in the following locations:

- Portsmouth
- Blackpool
- Poole
- Guildford
- High Wycombe

With aspirations to expand strategically across the UK through workshops and event delivery.

# **Application process:**

To express interest in this freelance role please supply:

- A CV (no more than 2 sides of A4) and covering letter (no more than 1 side of A4) detailing:
  - ➤ How you meet the **Person Specification** set out in the Job Description.
  - Details of previous relevant work/experience
  - This can submitted be in document, video (3-5mins total) or audio (3-5 minutes total) format.
- Names and contact details of two referees who have knowledge of your work in a similar capacity.
- Details of your public liability insurance and relevant DBS.

Please send responses subjected as the job role and addressed to: ella.stantonwarren@portsmouthguildhall.org.uk

We aim to interview shortlisted candidate's w/c Monday 15th January 2024

We reserve the right to close the call out before the deadline if we receive sufficient applications.

To discuss the brief or for more information, please contact Ella Stanton-Warren via email or phone on 02393 870181.