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Volunteers needed for:

One Dance UK Expert Panel: Children and Young People's (CYP) Dance

One Dance UK is the new industry body formed of the bringing together in April 2016 of four dance organisations: [Association of Dance of the African Diaspora](#) (ADAD), [Dance UK](#), [National Dance Teachers Association](#) (NDTA) and [Youth Dance England](#) (YDE).

Terms of Reference

To **advise and support** One Dance UK's Chair, board members, CEO, Head of CYP's Dance and other staff members on matters relating to its work with, for and by CYP and as the subject association for dance in schools, to include:

- Providing advice and recommendations regarding strategy and policy direction for One Dance UK's work with, for and by CYP including projects and programmes of work, partnerships and responding to government initiatives
- Dealing with matters relating to the compliance of the new organisation as a member of the Council for Subject Association (CfSA)
- Providing support, promotion, subject development and leadership for dance within formal education and informal settings
- Contributing and producing responses to government consultations relating to CYP and dance including the school curriculum, examinations, school accountability measures, informal education, youth dance sector, training of dance teachers, dance artists/practitioners to work with CYP in and beyond schools
- Advising on the provision of sector specific professional development for dance teachers, artists and practitioners through conferences, CPD, guidance & advice, resources and publications.
- Representing One Dance UK at external meetings, as required.

Membership

Membership of the Expert Panel is to include up to 8 members, in addition to the Chair, who have high level of experience and expertise across both formal education and the informal

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settings. At least half should have or have had, experience working as dance teachers within primary, secondary and/or special schools, FE and have QTS status.

They should all be members of the new organisation.

Membership should include expertise from:

- Different phases of formal education
- Initial Teacher Training
- Special Educational Needs / CYP with disability
- Informal education/youth dance sector
- Practical dance teaching experience in different settings and with CYP of different ages
- Understanding of national policy in dance, the arts and education
- Different regions/countries of the UK.

The Chair can invite observers /specialist advisors etc. to attend meetings to support the work of the Expert Panel.

Members will be appointed for one year with the option for their term to be extended to a maximum of three years with the agreement of the CEO and Chair of the Board of One Dance UK.

The main roles of the Expert Group members will be to:

Share knowledge and skills to benefit One Dance UK in its work on CYP's dance including advising on policy, best practice, sector development needs, resources/publications and devising new initiatives and programmes

Attend, as agreed with the Chair, external meetings such as CfSA, government departments, ACE, funders, national partners

Contribute to responses to public consultations coordinated by the Chair on behalf of One Dance UK

Contribute, as requested, to an annual presentation to One Dance UK's Board that assesses the group's progress in delivering its role.

Management of the Expert Group

Executive Chair

An expert dance educationalist has been appointed to chair the Expert Group by the Chair of the new organisation. Mel Knott has agreed to take on this role.

Ex officio

The Chief Executive Officer and/or Head of CYP's Dance will attend meetings of the Expert Group

The main line of communication between the Expert Group and One Dance UK will be through the Head of CYP's Dance. It is expected that agendas will be discussed and

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priorities set for the meetings. It is expected that communication and further actions will be taken between meetings to keep abreast of and manage developments.

Administration

The Head of CYP's Dance will, with the support of other staff, coordinate and service the Expert Group's meetings.

Meetings

3 meetings annually, on days and times and at locations agreed by members.

The main roles of the Executive Chair will be to:

Make best use of the combined knowledge and skills of the Expert Group to benefit One Dance UK's work in CYP's dance including advising on policy, best practice, sector development needs and devising new initiatives and programmes

Consult directly with Head of CYP's Dance on policy and direction of organisation in CYP's dance

Attend, or ensure that suitably experienced members of the Expert Group attend, external meetings such as CfSA, government departments, ACE, funders, national partners as required and agreed with Head of CYP's Dance

Produce and /or oversee the production of responses from One Dance UK to consultations that involve CYP's dance

Make an annual presentation to the Board about the work of the group and assess progress on delivering its role

Contribute to an annual review of the impact and purpose of the group by One Dance UK's Chair, Head of CYP's Dance and Chief Executive Officer.

Members' expenses

A maximum travel expenses budget of £250 per annum will be made available to Expert Panel members. Payments will be made on submission of travel claims forms and receipts.

Application information:

Please send to Linda Jasper, Director of Youth Dance England. Linda@yde.org.uk the following information:

1. Letter (maximum one side of A4, minimum type font 11) that shows how you would be able to contribute to the work of the Expert Panel.
2. Your CV

You should include your name, address, email and telephone contact details.

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Selection criteria:

One Dance UK will need to ensure that the Expert Panel has the following range of expertise:

- Proven high level expertise and knowledge in an area(s) of dance education
- Credibility in the dance education and/or youth dance sectors
- Experience of developing policy and practice in dance education
- Skill in writing reports and responding to public consultations
- Experience of being a member of a committee or on a board of trustees
- Ability to attend at least 3 meetings per year and contribute to business between meetings.

Applicants will be selected based on their ability to contribute to some of the criteria listed. In your letter please indicate where you think your expertise may be useful.

Deadline for applications: Monday 22nd February, 10am (by email). Linda@yde.org.uk.

Meetings with prospective members: 4th – 18th March (Dates/times/locations to be agreed)

First meeting: Saturday 16th April 11.00-13.00. London.

Locations, dates and timings for future meetings will be agreed with panel members.

Further enquiries: Please email Linda Jasper, Linda@yde.org.uk.