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One Dance UK Launches search for Choreographers of the Future

Today One Dance UK launches its search for the Choreographers of the future. The programme known as Young Creatives is looking to attract young people to take part and explore their choreographic creativity.

Launched in 2008, Young Creatives is a programme that is delivered in partnership with One Dance UK, the Royal Opera House and Rambert. It is aimed at young people between the ages of 15 and 19 (up to 25 for those with disabilities) who are interested in choreography. The Young Creatives programme hopes to attract young people who are always brimming with new ideas and suggestions and would value some help and guidance developing their ideas and enthusiasm into dance.

Sir Richard Alston Artistic Director of Richard Alston Dance Company and Champion of Young Creatives comments “For me, young creatives gets to the heart of the matter. It gives young people the time and space to explore their own ideas and I find their openness and creativity inspiring.”

Young Creatives helps young people discover and explore the possibilities that creating their own dance can bring. As the youth dance and dance education landscape continues to change, young people remain in need for opportunities to exercise their creative talents – indeed perhaps more so than ever.

Successful applicants to this year's scheme will have the opportunity to develop their choreographic idea supported by a creative mentor before presenting it at the Linbury Theatre at the Royal Opera House. The programme will culminate with a special performance of Young Creatives' work as part of the U.Dance National Youth Dance Festival at Southbank Centre on 20 and 21 July 2019.

Young Creatives is open to any dance style, or genre, previous experience is not necessary. To apply go to www.onedanceuk.org for more information.

For further information about the programme, please contact Laura Nicholson, Head of Children and Young People Laura.Nicholson@onedanceuk.org

About One Dance UK

One Dance UK is the sector support organisation leading the way to a stronger, more vibrant and diverse dance sector. We provide one clear voice to:

- Support all those working in the sector to achieve excellence in dance performance, education and management
- Advocate for the increased profile and importance of dance in all its diverse forms and settings
- Enhance dancers' health, well-being and performance
- Identify gaps, provide opportunities and improve conditions for dance to be learnt, discussed and seen

We provide membership packages for a range of individuals and organisations to support, advise and connect people across the dance sector.

Our aim is to create a workforce that is well-equipped to secure dance's prominence in the cultural landscape of the future. We do this by providing services, information and opportunities for:

- Dance organisations
- All dance professionals including:
 - Dance artists and choreographers
 - Dance teachers, educators and practitioners
 - Dance managers and producers
 - Dance medicine and science/research professionals
- All children and young people.

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