

# JOIN OUR BOARD

**Dance Limerick**

where dance unites and curiosity thrives



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# BE PART OF SHAPING AN EXCITING FUTURE FOR DANCE - JOIN DANCE LIMERICK'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Do you want to champion a vibrant and thriving arts organisation brimming with opportunity?

Dance Limerick, one of Ireland's leading centres for dance, is searching for new directors to join its Board.

## WHO WE ARE LOOKING FOR

We are seeking visionary leaders to provide the guidance and strategic direction needed to match our opportunities and passion. This may include:

- Individuals who value artists and audiences and see the arts as central to a vibrantly functioning society.
- Those who have the capacity to support our brilliant team to propel a dynamic programme of dance initiatives.
- Individuals who can get behind Dance Limerick's ethos and values in shaping its strategic priorities and future.

Dance Limerick would welcome applications from people that bring strong skills, diverse life experiences, or professional expertise in the following key focus areas:

- Legal
- Finance and Accounting
- Corporate Governance and Compliance
- Human Resources
- Communications and Public Relations
- Buildings and Sustainability
- Dance or Cultural Sector

We would particularly welcome applications from people who can contribute to our work in income development, fundraising and philanthropy but this is not an essential requirement.

# YOUR ROLE ON BOARD

We are seeking a commitment for a period of 3 years with an option to serve up to 6 years. Dance Limerick is a registered charity, and this is a voluntary, unpaid position. Travel expenses will be paid. Previous experience of being on a Board is not essential - induction and training is provided. The Board meets 4 times a year plus the AGM with sub-group meetings outside of Board meetings. Meeting may be held online. Board members are expected to contribute to the ongoing development of the organisation and attend performance events where possible.

For further information on the current makeup of Dance Limerick's Board of Directors please click [HERE](#). Board members cannot have conflicts of interest, and individuals joining the Board cannot benefit financially by way of employment or opportunities offered by Dance Limerick while they are a director. Dance Limerick is a company limited by guarantee with charitable status. Board Members of Dance Limerick are also Charity Trustees.

Further information on Dance Limerick Governance and policies is available [HERE](#)

## HOW TO APPLY

Please submit the following via email to [catherine@dancelimerick.ie](mailto:catherine@dancelimerick.ie)

### **Applications should be submitted by 12 noon, January 13th, 2025**

- A cover letter setting out your interest in Dance Limerick and the specific experiences and area of expertise that you will bring to the Board.
- A CV outlining your professional experience. Please include details of any previous service as a board director, trustee or any other voluntary/community work you may have.
- Please put your name in the subject heading of the email e.g. name, application for board member.

Dance Limerick particularly welcomes applications from people from a diversity of national, ethnic or cultural groups including, but not limited to, Asian, Black, Traveller and minority ethnic, refugees, people with disabilities, working-class and LGBTQI+ people.

For a confidential conversation please contact, Dance Limerick's Director, Mary Wycherley by emailing [mary@dancelimerick.ie](mailto:mary@dancelimerick.ie)

# ACCESS SUPPORT FOR THE APPLICATION PROCESS

If you need assistance with your application, please contact us at [info@dancelimerick.ie](mailto:info@dancelimerick.ie)

We are happy to accept video applications of no longer than 5 minutes stating the relevant information outlined above. Please email us a link to your video application.

## DANCE LIMERICK BACKGROUND

Established in 2013, our ambition is to inspire curiosity, creativity, and connection through dance. We believe dance empowers and enriches us as individuals, as communities and as a society. Our ambition is for Dance Limerick to be a place for dance and a hub of creativity for our artists and for all those with whom we engage. Through dance we support artists and the public alike to be curious, to be creative and to connect with each other and to what matters in the world around us.

We develop an ambitious annual programme of professional development and public events where people can enjoy and reflect on dance and engage with our community of wonderful artists. We collaborate with artists representing diverse practices and our aim is to place them at the centre of what we do. Our ambition is to ensure that our artists are supported and that we, in some small way, contribute to their achievements.

These programmes are developed by consulting widely and by collaborating with experienced choreographers and dance artists to devise meaningful and imaginative programmes.

While we are based in the heart of Limerick city, our focus is also national and international. To this end, we collaborate regularly with Dance Ireland, Firkin Crane, Galway Dance and Tipperary Dance. We are members of the European Dance House Network (EDN), and the Aerowaves Network of dance presenters. Through these forums, we exchange practice and information with our national and international peers which allows us to contribute to both the national and international dance ecology.

Our annual programmes for artists and audiences include.

- An annual Associate Dance Artist in collaboration with the Irish World Academy of Music and Dance at University of Limerick. The Artist is supported with studio

time to carry out a personal work programme over the course of 12 months, and receives a seed commission for the development of new work.

- The Residency Programmes supports up to 10 artists/ensembles annually, with studio space, accommodation and the opportunity to interact with local peers and to gain critical feedback on work in development.
- A professional development programme of classes by local and visiting artists along with masterclasses, workshops and seminars by leading artists working in dance, performance and other complementary disciplines.
- Step Up Dance Project for recently graduated dancers, which aims to bridge the gap between dance education and professional practice.
- The What Next Dance Festival showcasing the work of early and mid career artists.
- Light Moves Festival of Dance & New Media Arts
- DL Bridge – a programme of imaginative interventions and projects with communities of place or interest
- Inspirational performances allowing artists see the work of national and international peers, and audiences to see professional dance in Limerick.

Further information about Dance Limerick is available at <https://dancelimerick.ie>

## THE IMPACT AND REWARDS OF JOINING OUR BOARD

- Make a difference: Fulfil a civic responsibility by contributing your knowledge and expertise to enrich our cultural landscape
- Drive change: Play a pivotal role in shaping strategic initiatives.
- Guide our mission: Use your insights to help foster meaningful connections between artists and audiences
- Gain fresh perspectives: Broaden your understanding of cultural and creative sectors.
- Expand your network: Build relationships with like-minded individuals passionate about the arts
- Expand your journey: Enhance your professional development through unique leadership opportunities and experiences