



# **Inspiring Faculty Outstanding Lessons Unrivalled Experience**

**Professional** training for dance students age 13+ and teachers

> To include mock auditions and guidance for entry into professional colleges

> > hope to become

Attendees will: -Work with expert tutors who are passionate about nurturing young talent -Experience a wide range of dance styles to expand their versatility -Build confidence through different class

challenges

-Create lasting friendships with like-minded dancers from other schools and countries

-Push their boundaries and take their dancing to new heights

organising residential courses for dance students and teachers

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**Residential and** non-residential options available

**Chaperones and** 

1<sup>st</sup> aiders 24/7

For the participants' convenience, ALL activities, accommodation and meals are provided within the venue's premises, so there is no need to commute each day

**2025 Dates** 20 July - 26 July years of experience

### **UNBEATABLE** value for money when compared against other summer schools in Europe

# The course is for those who professional dancers and those who just love to dance



### Welcome to The Dance Summer **School in Ireland!**

With over 16 years of experience organising dance summer schools, the internationally recognised The Dance Summer School organisation (TDSS) is finally coming to the Republic of Ireland with The Dance Summer School in Ireland!

We have been celebrating dance since 2007, and every year we welcome a community of young dance students passionate about dance. With its outstanding training, innovative approach to dance education, and convenient booking system, it's no wonder our courses have been a top choice for young and prevocational dancers in our venues, including Scotland and Greece.

Our programmes provide a unique opportunity to attend an intensive week of high quality dance training under the guidance of our highly experienced and creative team. This, **alongside a fabulous** entertainment programme, has motivated many of our participants to return each year.

The success of our events is made possible by bringing together a faculty from **a wide** range of professional backgrounds. These include principals, vice-principals and heads of departments in professional colleges, examiners/lecturers for the ISTD, creators of syllabi for the ISTD in the Ballet, Modern and Tap faculties, ex and current professional dancers working at soloist level, and choreographers.

Our effort is focused on furthering the students' technical and artistic development.

To achieve this, all the lessons for students are based on free work, and our entertainment programme consolidates the formula that makes The Dance Summer School, according to many previous participants, an unmissable experience to attend!

Furthermore, The Dance Summer School in Ireland is not only for young people and students, the door of our event is also open to dance teachers who are looking for opportunities to observe classes led by experienced and accomplished faculty and to participate in the lessons if they wish.

In addition to being able to observe or attend any class level, each day we run a masterclass focused on teaching and discussing technical elements and/or different points of interest for a teacher's professional development.

With our fantastic team of chaperones and first aiders who supervise the course 24/7, from accommodating different catering needs, to advising on travel logistics, our participants' well-being and individual needs are cared for.

We create a fun and **safe learning** environment for everybody attending the course and we look forward to welcoming you.

Come, do what you love and get ready for an amazing Summer School!. Sincerely,

Katie Morea and Eduardo Martinez Artistic Director and Director



Technique, pointe work and virtuosity

Technique & Improvisation

Technique & style

PROGRAMME





"....she had a great time at TDSS, everything was super organized with a lot of love and joy. Thank you very much, many thanks to all teachers and chaperones."

**From Germany** 

Since 2007, The Dance Summer School has welcomed international participants from: Italy, Spain, Portugal, Greece, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Malta, USA, Canada, Norway, Poland, Austria, Germany, Switzerland, South Africa, India, Singapore, Ireland, England, Scotland, Russia, Turkey, Malta and France.

> "Dear Eduardo, I just want you to know that my daughter Lucia had a great time on the camp – absolutely fantastic. I send my thanks and appreciation to you and everyone else involved...I had no previous knowledge or experience of where to send her...from the first contact and information to the final day everything was just perfect for us...."

From Norway

....just to thank you and all the staff for giving Daniela such a valuable and rewarding experience.

It was a first for her from many points of view, she came back from the experience absolutely full of positive things to say about the school, the experience, the people....everything!"

From Italy

We are extremely experienced in bringing international participants to our event and offer a personalised approach from the first-moment dance students or group leaders contact us.

'Quiero que sepas, que los niños y los adolescentes estaban felices y encantados, tanto por las clases, por la escuela, como por el trato recibido. En fin, todo en general. Por extensión, los padres, también muy contentos de ver a sus hijos felices. Lo hacéis muy bien, se nota que tenéis mucha experiencia."

**From Spain** 









#### What should I wear and prepare for an audition?

Which course should lattend and whu?

All I want, is to dance! but I do not know if I will succeed in this industry, what should I do?

> Can I make enough money to make a living working in this industry?

I want to perform in the West End or Broadway, what should I do?

> What finances should I consider in order to study on a professional course?

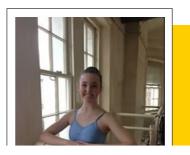
## AUDITION **EXPERIENCE** & **PREPARATION FOR** ENTRY INTO PROFESSIONAL **COLLEGES**

In addition to the daily lessons. there will be mock auditions and a meeting between the pupils with intermediate/advanced profiles and those with vocational aspirations and our Faculty.

The students will have the opportunity to learn about dance and performing arts as a career, receiving information and experiences on life as a professional artist or dance teacher.

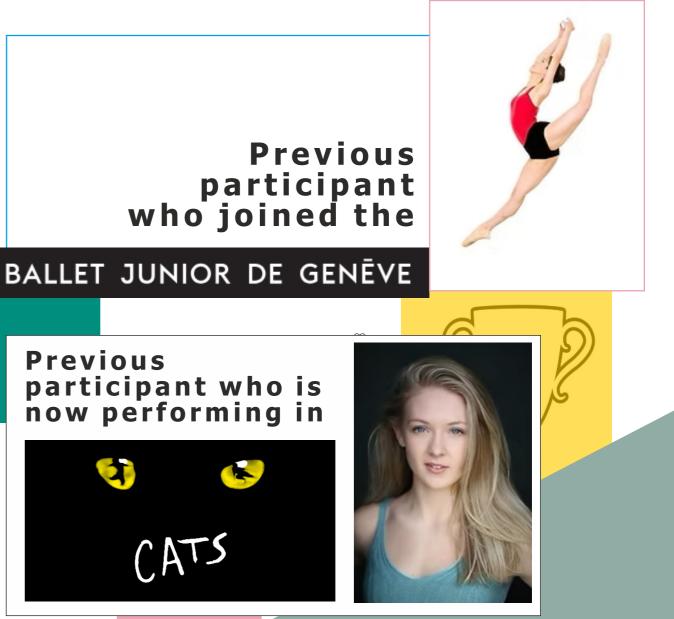
They will also have the opportunity to ask about professional dance schools and colleges in the UK and abroad, to ask what our staff look for when they run auditions, to ask about job opportunities and to extend their general knowledge about becoming a professional dancer and dance teacher.

Our high-profile faculty are all ex-professional dancers who are now teaching the next generation of dancers at professional schools while still working in the profession, teaching and choreographing.



Previous participants have successfully been accepted into vocational programmes at: The Ailey School (NYC), Morea Performing Arts, Elmhurst Ballet School, Central School of Ballet, Ecole de Danse de Genève, Tring Park School, The Royal Conservatoire of Scotland, Sacramento State University (USA), SUNY Purchase College (NY USA) and the English National Ballet School to name a few.

### **Previous** participant who is now performing in





## THE COURSE for students

### and entry requirements

The Dance Summer School in Ireland is designed for students with a minimum exam of Grade 3 Ballet, alongside Intermediate, Advanced and Vocational students.

It is for those who hope to become professional dancers and those who just love to dance. The minimum age requirement is 13 years.

The Dance Summer School in Ireland offers a comprehensive curriculum that allows the student to explore different genres and styles of **dance.** The course provides a valuable learning experience throughout the training process.

Our mission is to foster a positive environment and support dancers eager to enhance their skills whilst immersing themselves in creativity and growth.

> **Push your** take your dancing to new heights

**Build confidence** through different class challenges

Work with expert tutors who are passionate about nurturing young talent

**Participants will benefit from a wide range of classes,** including Classical Ballet, Contemporary, Jazz, Body Conditioning, Improvisation, Folk, Latin Rhythms and more. Our experienced faculty are dedicated to helping them improve their technical proficiency, artistic skills, and overall understanding of their capabilities.

Dance students with intermediate/advanced profiles and those with vocational aspirations will receive advice from our faculty **regarding** the application process for dance colleges and will attend mock audition sessions.

Whether you just love dancing, or dream of becoming a professional artist or teacher, our programme is tailored to provide you with the insights and tools needed to continue your pathway in the dance industry. This growth will be supported by dancing with and sharing lessons with peers from other schools.

Furthermore, we are dedicated to delivering an exceptional entertainment program and a range of performing arts-related activities that complement our outstanding dance training.

Don't take our word for it; check out what some previous participants from our courses in Scotland and Greece have said

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# THE COURSE for teachers

### We know that dance teachers are not just instructors; they are mentors, guides, and the architects of their students' growth.

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Whether you are seeking to deepen your knowledge of dance technique, explore new teaching methodologies, or revisit your class management, our course has something for everybody. The course is a space where teachers can invest in their own growth, learning, and development as an educator.

#### Enhance Your Teaching

Gain practical tools and strategies you can immediately implement in your own studio.

#### **Inspire Your Students**

Attending The Dance Summer School isn't just a gift to yourself, it's a gift for your students too.

When you return to your studio, you'll bring back new knowledge, new techniques, and fresh energy to share with your students.

#### Refine Your Personal **Dance Practice**

As a teacher, it's easu to put your personal dance practice on the back burner. At The Dance Summer School. you'll have the opportunity to reconnect with your own dancing. Reignite the spark that originally drew you to dance and experience the joy of dancing just for you.

In addition to being able to observe or attend any class level, each day we run a masterclass focused on teaching and discussing technical and artistic elements and/or different points of interest for a teacher's professional development.

A brief example of a masterclass is on the use of arms:

Our teacher will work on improving this critical element in dance, whether it is in a jazz or classical style. We will discuss the technical placement, movement, and artistic and dynamic qualities.





### Teachers are also welcome to bring their students to The Dance Summer School for an exciting and enriching experience for all.

At the course you will have the chance to watch your students grow as they take on new challenges. You will be there to cheer them on, and the confidence they build will undoubtedly enhance their dancing on their return to your studio.

In addition to this, there is a valuable experience that lies in the deeper connection formed by spending time with them away from home, creating memories that will last a lifetime.



While you are enjoying the course alongside there to look after them. We oversee all that support is always on hand whenever your that they are in safe and caring hands throughout their time with us.

your students, our attentive chaperones will be activities, meals, breaks, and overnight, ensuring students need it. You can feel confident knowing

We also want to recognise the time and effort invested in organising your students to attend the course, so there are discounts available for teachers who bring a group.

Registration form

Furthermore, we are delighted to offer the opportunity for you to obtain advice for the preparation of the ISTD DDE. Licentiate or Fellowship examinations or to access a tailored ISTD syllabus revision (Ballet, Modern or Tap) with Katie Morea, who is an ISTD Modern and Tap Senior Examiner, Syllabus creator and International Lecturer and Sadie Morgan, who is an ISTD Modern Committee member and triple ISTD Senior Examiner and International Lecturer.

- Create your own timetable by choosing to observe or attend any lesson of your preferred choice of style and level.
- When registering for the course, you can suggest topics for the masterclasses.
- Accommodation for teachers is provided in a separate area from the students.

Contact us



#### **Daily Routine**

Wake up 7:45am Breakfast Morning Meeting Lesson Break "The summer school Lesson Lunch Lesson Break Lesson Break Lesson or Fun Activity Dinner **Evening Activity** Social / check in 22:30 pm Bedtime

### **Dates and Fees**

The week programme runs for 6 nights from Sunday afternoon to Saturday morning.

Check-in times on Sunday are from 15.30 until 17.30 hrs.

Check out on Saturday is at 11.45 am.

Transfers are available from/to Dublin Airport on the first and last day of the programme.

#### Dates

Sunday July 20<sup>th</sup> until Saturday July 26<sup>th</sup> Monday July 21<sup>st</sup> until Saturday July 26<sup>th</sup> non-residential

#### Fees

**£660 sterling** This includes: Tuition, 6 nights full board accommodation in a shared room with shared facilities, meals (starting with dinner on arrival day and finishing with breakfast on check-out day) and the entertainment programme.

£450 sterling Non residential. This includes: Tuition and the entertainment programme.

### Our venue

Our beautiful venue is: St. Columba's College, Whitechurch, Dublin 16, D16 CH92 Republic of Ireland

**NEAREST AIRPORT Dublin International Airport** 

**Get directions here** 

#### Accommodation

-On-site accommodation in twin or quad bedrooms with shared facilities. We try our best for participants to share room with their dance school friends.

-3 meals a day with professional catering staff in place for specific dietary needs (nut free, vegetarian, gluten free, etc.).

#### Safeguarding and Wellbeing

-24/7 welfare support staff on site.

-ALL activities are supervised by TDSS's team of chaperones.

-The Dance Summer School has secured the sole use of the venue.

-ALL staff, faculty, admin and chaperones from The Dance Summer School and the venue have gone through a police vetting process.

-Strict social media and marketing policy. The Dance Summer School limits the amount of posts or publication of photos of participants attending our courses on social media and marketing products.







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# **Entertainment Programme**

At the Dance Summer School, our passion has always been dance. With this in mind, we choose to fully immerse ourselves and our students with no external distractions. This is why we have chosen to base our course on the expansive, beautiful estate of St Columba's College.

This will allow us to feel safe as a unique little community within the school's beautiful setting and extensive grounds.

We leave the outside world behind and concentrate on what we do best:

## TO HAVE FUN and DANCE!



Our entertainment programme provides students with the opportunity to connect with each other on a whole new level. Our exciting and fun activities are an integral part of creating the family atmosphere and sense of belonging that students carry with them long after they leave us.

Our director, artistic director and staff, carefully craft this special part of the summer school to create a friendly and vibrant atmosphere! In 16 years, we have created a huge number of different activities for the joy of everybody attending the course!!

Some of our entertainment activities include:

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Showbiz night! Cinema night (pop corn included) Treasure hunt Hair and Make Up class The TDSS's Olympic Games!

and MUCH MORE!!!!

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