



# THE ROYAL BALLET SCHOOL

Dance Partnership & Access | aDvANCE

The Dance Partnership & Access Programme is delighted to offer selected London Secondary Schools opportunity to apply for a project with The Royal Ballet School. These projects are creative collaborations for up to 25 pupils, who will meet and work with Royal Ballet School students over a 15-week period. The project provides a creative insight to the art form of ballet and culminates in the creation and performance of a new dance piece by all 50 project participants. No previous experience of ballet is required.

The project includes:

- An introductory visit to The Royal Ballet School
- A visit by The Royal Ballet School students to your school
- 12 weekly creative dance sessions (2 hours per week) at your school led by a Royal Ballet School artist
- Two full day week-end rehearsals with The Royal Ballet School students
- Two performances of the finished piece at The Royal Ballet School or a venue local to your school. This will require your pupils to be excused from school on these days.

Please note the school dance teacher must be available to attend all project sessions.

This unique project is available to two groups per year:

- Year 12 and 13 pupils collaborate with Royal Ballet Upper School students of a similar age, who are based in Covent Garden, London. This project runs from October 2014 – February 2015.
- Year 10 pupils collaborate with Royal Ballet Lower School students of a similar age, who are based at White Lodge, Richmond Park, south-west London. This project runs from January 2015 – May 2015.

In order to match The Royal Ballet School groups, it is preferable for each partner group to include an even split of male and female pupils. Applications can be submitted by two schools working in partnership (e.g.: a boys' and a girls' school).

This project is generously funded by the Department for Education and therefore offered free of charge. Partner groups are simply required to organise their own transport to and from The Royal Ballet School.

**The Royal Ballet School** is an internationally renowned vocational school which aims to train and educate outstanding classical ballet dancers for The Royal Ballet, Birmingham Royal Ballet and international companies. The long list of famous dancers who have graduated from the School includes: Dame Margot Fonteyn, Sir Kenneth MacMillan, Darcey Bussell and Sergei Polunin.

**The Dance Partnership & Access Programme** was established to broaden access to the unique resources of The Royal Ballet School. The Programme works with primary and secondary schools throughout the country to provide a creative introduction to the art form of ballet.

To apply for this project please complete the attached form and return to  
**Michaela Ellis**, [michaela.ellis@royalballetschool.org.uk](mailto:michaela.ellis@royalballetschool.org.uk), by Friday 13 June 2014. Applications received after this date will not be considered.



**aDvANCE London Application Form 2014-15**

Name of school: .....

Address: .....

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Contact name: .....

Contact email: .....

Contact tel 1: .....

Contact tel 2:.....

Head Teacher email: .....

Head Teacher contact tel:.....

**This application is for:**

aDvANCE 1: Year 12-13 pupils. October 2014 - February 2015

aDvANCE 2: Year 10 pupils. January – May 2015

**Details of proposed group:**

Number of students: Male                      Female

- How do you anticipate this project will support your students’ current programme of study?

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- For this project you will need to allocate 2 hours studio time per week between. How do you propose accommodating this within your pupils’ weekly timetable?

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- This project is designed for your pupils to work collaboratively with The Royal Ballet School student – what previous experience do you have of working in this way?

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- What do you and your students hope to gain from this project?

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- What is your students' experience of ballet? Please note: this is not a prerequisite for the project.

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- What is your students' experience of choreography and/or working creatively?

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I can arrange transport to The Royal Ballet School for the introductory visit, joint rehearsals x 2 and performances x 2.

I can arrange a visit to my school for The Royal Ballet School students.

Signed:..... Job title:.....

*Please arrange for this form to be signed by a member of your school's Senior Management Team:*

I agree to the group detailed above participating in The Royal Ballet School's aDvANCE London Programme.

Signed:..... Job title:.....

Please complete and return to:

**Michaela Ellis, The Royal Ballet School, 46 Floral Street, London, WC2E 9DA**

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