



# Indepen-dance

Opportunity through inclusive dance

## Spring 2025 Members Newsletter



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### Reminder of Important dates:

Last day of this term Saturday 5th April  
Classes return the week of Monday 21st April  
Next term dates 21st April - Saturday 5th July



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to an audio version of this newsletter



# WELL DONE ON DANCE LEADERS COURSE!

This newsletter we shine a light on one of our members Mhairi.

Mhairi has shown remarkable growth and dedication within our organisation.

She has made significant progress since joining us, now a part of our Adult Performance Company and Evolve.

Additionally, Mhairi has participated in our Dance Leaders course, where she has demonstrated a strong commitment to her development.

It has been truly rewarding to witness her confidence grow throughout her journey, and I am incredibly proud of her continued progression and the passion she brings to everything she does.

-Dance Development Manager

## STAR STORY: MHAIRI



## WHAT IS DANCE LEADERS COURSE?

Dance Leaders is an SCQF Level 4 & 5 course that we offer once a year for people to develop their leadership skills.

Commitment is required to attend the course. We are currently adding a monthly leaders skill session to allow the leaders to continue working together.

if you are interested get in touch to see when our next course is.



# JULIE CELEBRATES 10 YEARS AT INDEPEN-DANCE



Dance Tutor; Julie, celebrates 10 years of working at Indepen-dance we asked her some questions!

## Tell us what you do at Indepen-dance

As a dance tutor I teach classes in person and online, plan and train with other staff and as a Dance Artist; I create and perform.

## What is your favourite thing about working at Indepen-dance?

Im always learning and I like the community aspect and seeing how the organisation has grown with new classes and the new venue in Brideton

## Where have you travelled to while working?

I have travelled to places I never thought I would have! Columbia was my first big trip away without family I was a bit anxious at first but I had the best time with the staff!

I have also been to Germany, Switzerland, South Korea and New York!

## What is something the members may not know about you?

Not all the members know but I also have a visual disability, I like to have one to one time with dancers to sense their movement to encourage them.



## Finally, what are you most looking forward to this year?

Delivering dance leaders has been very exciting, I am also going on another big trip to perform - that I am really looking forward to!

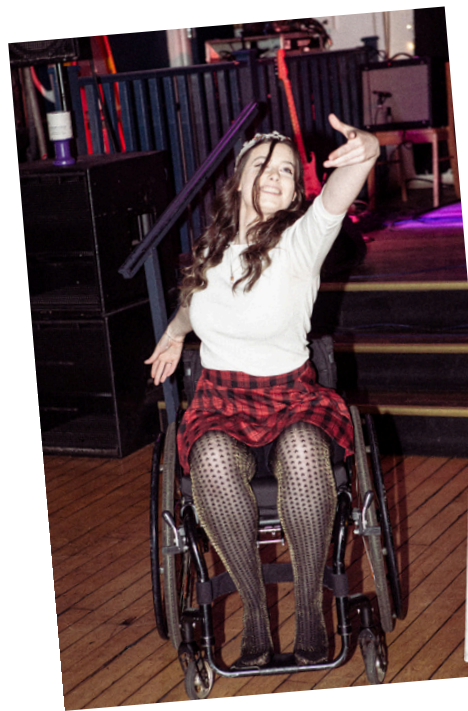
# FUNDRAISING

## ALT BURNS NIGHT RAISES £2,050

Thank you to our staff member Jack who organised the event with other musicians and artists at Mono Bar and to all who performed - Junk Pups, Peachcrumb,

Danyo and Indpen-dance's very own Dylan and Iona and Holly and Wils who held a Ceilidh.

Thank you to The Craft Pottery for sponsoring the night!



## GIDDY UP FUNDRAISER FRI 11TH APRIL - 7-9PM GCU STUDENT UNION



Boots on. Hats up. Dancing for a difference!

Students at Glasgow Caledonia University are throwing a country and western night with line dancing, prizes and more dancing throughout the night - with all proceeds being donated to our charity. Thank you to the team who are organising and good luck!



Follow [giddyupglasgow](#) on instagram  
for full details and tickets



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We are excited to share our fundraiser and welcome all our members to come along!

**Hoolie at The Fairfield** at the iconic Fairfield Club in Govan with a full line up to be announced, expect a lot of dancing and music throughout the night.

Food and drink will be available to purchase on the night as well as prizes to be won.

Tickets on sale via  
Eventbrite: £15pp /  
£50 group of 4  
MORE INFO COMING

## CREATIVE SCOTLAND FUNDING SECURED

We have some good news, Indepen-dance have been awarded Multi Year Funding by Creative Scotland for 2025-2028.

What does this mean for Indepen-dance?

- This is an important fund allowing us to deliver what we do
- It provides us with stability and the opportunity for growth in our organisation
- Recognition of all of our hard work

As a charity we always have to fundraise and we appreciate any donations to support what we do.



If you or someone you know would like to fundraise for us - get in touch!



# SOME HIGHLIGHTS





# MEMBER'S GROUP



**MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD**

Our members group meets each term  
- We are always looking for new members if you would like to join.

**HAVE YOUR SAY**

**MAKE A POSITIVE CHANGE**

**MEET MAKE FRIENDS  
WITH OTHER MEMBERS**

**DEVELOP LEADERSHIP SKILLS  
SHARE EXPERIENCES**

**SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY**

**Next Meeting:**  
Saturday 29th March  
10:00 - 12:30 at -  
Wake up Extravaganza,  
Pollokshaws Burgh Hall



At our last meeting in December we discussed -  
Gathered Together -  
independance's festival  
held at Tramway

## **MEMBERS VOICES:**

*"it was very nice to see people out of classes and Glasgow all together in the Tramway"*

*"It was great! At the end we had a big Ceilidh and had lots of fun"*

*"I enjoyed working with everyone but also seeing the new styles that people brought to the whole festival"*

*"The festival really helped people come together, there is a big community, dance is really powerful and it can help make a difference"*

# ONLINE AND IN-PERSON CLASS SCHEDULE

## Monday

11:30 - 12:30 - **Adult Class** | Pollokshaws Burgh Hall  
13:00 - 14:00 - **Adult Class** | Pollokshaws Burgh Hall  
13:00 - 13:45 - **Monday Movers** | Online

## Tuesday

11:00 - 13:00 - **Yoga & Coffee Morning** | Indepen-dance Bridgeton Venue & Online  
17:00 - 18:00 - **Youth Class (ages 5-11)** | Indepen-dance Bridgeton Venue  
18:30 - 19:30 - **Dance Stylz** (All ages) | Online and Indepen-dance Bridgeton Venue

## Wednesday

9:30 - 10:45 - **Open Company Class** | Scottish Ballet Studio (Tramway)  
11:00 - 12:00 - **Adult Class** | Maryhill Community Centre  
11:00 - 12:30 - **Adult Performance Company** | Scottish Ballet Studio (Tramway)  
13:00 - 14:00 - **Adult Company Class** | Scottish Ballet Studio (Tramway)  
13:00 - 14:00 - **Adult Class** | Maryhill Community Centre  
14:30 - 16:00 - **Evolve Class** | Scottish Ballet Studio (Tramway)  
17:00 - 18:00 - **Youth Class (ages 12-18)** | Pearce Institute  
18:30 - 20:00 - **Young 1's (ages 16-25)** | Pearce Institute

## Thursday

9:30 - 10:00 and 10:15 - 10:45 - **Dance Your Socks Off (ages 0-5)** | Tramway  
11:00 - 12:00 - **Adult Class** | Tramway  
11:30 - 12:30 - **Adult Class** | Pollokshaws Burgh Hall  
13:00 - 14:00 - **Two Rythms** | Tramway  
13:00 - 14:00 - **Adult Class** | Pollokshaws Burgh Hall  
17:00 - 17:45 - **Dance Energy** | Online  
19:00 - 20:00 - **Parents & Carers Class** | Bridgeton Community Learning Campus

## Friday

11:30 - 12:30 - **Adult Class** | Indepen-dance Bridgeton Venue  
13:00 - 14:00 - **Adult Class** | Indepen-dance Bridgeton Venue  
13:00 - 14:00 - **Friday Groovers** | Online

## Saturday

10:00 - 10:45 - **Wake Up with Wils** | Online  
09:30 - 12:00 - **Wake Up Extravaganza** | Pollokshaws Burgh Hall (Monthly - check our socials for dates)

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