



Volunteer Role Description

Dance Support Volunteer

Supporting one of our weekly scheduled inclusive dance classes

DEADLINE TO APPLY – Monday 24th August – 5PM

If you would like to discuss the opportunity or require any support, please email and request our Volunteer Co-ordinator – admin@indpen-dance.org.uk

About the Role – Dance Support Volunteer

The role of Dance Support Volunteer is a learning opportunity to learn firsthand about inclusive dance practices through a placement style opportunity. The role will involve being assigned to one of our weekly scheduled dance classes which you will commit to attending to take part to support the delivery of the class alongside our creative team by supporting our members to take part.

This is an opportunity to learn from our experienced staff to develop professional practice and skills inclusive dance practice to enable disabled people to take part in dance, movement and arts activity.

Person specification – Who we are looking for

No previous experience required – commitment to attend and learning – Whether you are a dancer as a hobby/ interest, student or a professional.

The opportunity would suit anyone willing to develop their dance and facilitation practice interested in dance, theatre, the arts to become more inclusive for people with a disability and additional support needs.

Duties

Duties will vary for the needs of each class and will develop once working alongside staff in the role this is an overview of what to expect –

- Support Dance Tutor and Dance Artist to deliver the class

- Build rapport with staff and members while taking part to encourage creativity providing 1-to-1 support to new and existing members to develop and enable participation, skill, technique and confidence.
- Provide support to members before and after class – welcome, prepare for class starting and pack up to leave safely
- Set goals at the beginning for what you want to achieve
- Reflect after each class – short write up for personal development on what you have learned
- Attend induction, training, 1-to1 support

About Indepen-dance

We are an award-winning inclusive dance company for disabled and non-disabled people to enjoy, express and fulfil their potential through dance.

Our mission is to enable participation in high quality arts provision and improve wellbeing, quality of life and provide opportunities for disabled and non-disabled dancers in both the professional and non-professional dance sectors. We provide weekly creative movement and dance classes throughout the year, where participants become lifelong members and join a thriving social network. We also provide bespoke professional training, career development and employment opportunities.

Travel

Volunteer Travel expenses will be covered to ensure no volunteer is out of pocket for volunteering up to the value of £10 per each volunteer shift.

Time and Commitment

You will be asked to commit to the same weekly scheduled class for a term estimated terms run from –

1. Jan – Apr / Apr – Jun
2. Aug– Oct / Oct – Dec

Benefits of the Role and Support

- Support and Supervision from Volunteer Co-ordinator and Creative Staff
- Unique participatory learning experience opportunity
- Induction and Training throughout
- Volunteer T-shirt to wear to class
- Opportunities which arise to perform, travel and attend events

PVG

Please Note: For the Dance Support Volunteer Role, Volunteers will require a PVG check, this will be at no cost to the volunteer and will be carried out by an Indepen-dance member of staff.

You can find out more –

[Protecting Vulnerable Groups \(PVG\) scheme - mygov.scot](https://mygov.scot/protecting-vulnerable-groups-scheme)

PVG stands for the Protecting Vulnerable Groups scheme in Scotland, a Disclosure Scotland membership scheme that checks if individuals are unsuitable to work in regulated roles with children and vulnerable adults. It requires membership for those in specific caring, teaching, or supervisory roles to ensure people who are not fit to work with these groups are not given such opportunities

Applying for the role

Please complete the Volunteer Application form and email to:

admin@indenpen-dance.org.uk

with the email subject – 'Volunteer Application – Dance Support Volunteer' by the deadline date to apply.

Thank you for your interest.

We will be in contact if you are successful and we will arrange a date for an informal interview.

Interview

The interview is an informal chat and a chance for us to get to know you and assign you a class that will benefit you.

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