# KEEP INTO DANCE

Big Dance may be over but London is the capital for dance and the city is bursting with events and activities 24/7. One easy way to stay in touch is to connect with leading organisations below:

#### Dance Umbrella

Dance Umbrella is London's international dance festival, celebrating 21st century choreography across the capital which is just around the corner from 7–22 October 2016. Founded in 1978, Dance Umbrella is internationally recognised for its annual festival which takes place each October. Dance Umbrella has reached audiences of over one million people in London.

danceumbrella.co.uk

# Exercise, Movement and Dance Partnership

The Exercise, Movement and Dance Partnership (EMDP) is the National Governing Body and Umbrella Organisation for Exercise, Movement and Dance in the UK. EMDP is the go-to organisation for Exercise, Movement and Dance; championing quality and driving growth in teaching and participation.

emdp.org

#### Londondance.com

From where to see dance, to where to do it – find all you need to know about dance in the capital at:

londondance.com

#### **People Dancing**

People Dancing: the Foundation for Community Dance is the professional organisation for anyone involved in creating opportunities for people to experience and participate in dance. As the national delivery partner for Big Dance, their vision is for a world where dance is part of everyone's life. People Dancing works with, and on behalf of artists. organisations and teachers involved in leading, delivering or supporting community and participatory dance and their membership reaches more than 4.500 dance professionals worldwide.

communitydance.org.uk

#### One Dance UK

One Dance UK is the national body for dance in the UK, formed by the merger of Association of Dance of the African Diaspora (ADAD), Dance UK, National Dance Teachers Association (NDTA) and Youth Dance England.

It represents dancers at all levels of the dance industry, and champions excellence in education, youth dance, dance of the African diaspora, performance, health and wellbeing, management, leadership and career development.

onedanceuk.org

# Wheelchair Dance Sport Association

The Wheelchair Dance Sport Association (WDSA UK) is the national governing body for wheelchair dance sport and wheelchair dance in the United Kingdom. As well as making dance, the aim of the WDSA (UK) is to promote and develop wheelchair dancing as a sport and leisure activity across the country, to raise the standard of instruction and competition in the UK and internationally at all levels.

# wdsauk.co.uk Visit London

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visitlondon.com

# To find out more visit: bigdance.org.uk | lond

london.gov.uk/bigdance









SIOBHAN DAVIES DANCE

# BIG DANCE 2016



20 MAY -10 SEPTEMBER BIG DANCE WEEK: 2 - 10 JULY

TAKE PART IN LONDON'S BIGGEST CELEBRATION OF DANCE

www.bigdance.org.uk



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# INTRODUCTION



#### Big Dance a decade of dance

Created in 2006 in London, this biennial celebration of dance has expanded and gathered momentum over a decade inspiring thousands of people to get dancing in London, the UK and internationally.

Big Dance is led by the Mayor of London, People Dancing & a network of leading dance organisations known as the Big Dance Hubs. The programme aims to highlight the power of dance to mobilise communities, the UK's brilliant dance offer year round, the A-Z of dance styles and the incredible talent in this country.

On 20 May, the countdown to the festival week begins with the Big Dance Pledge event. This is one of the largest simultaneous multi-location dances, involving thousands of people and communities across the UK and the world.

From 20 May until 10 September, keep a look out for the iconic Big Dance Bus - a converted Routemaster with its own dance-floor complete with DJ, MC, sound system a resident dance company to get you moving!

For dance on screen lovers, Big Dance Shorts is back for its final series presenting outstanding choreographic and directorial talent on screen as part of the Channel 4 Random Acts strand.

On 2 July, a cast of 1000 Londoners perform a major dance commission by Akram Khan, undisputedly one of the foremost innovative choreographers in the world, in the iconic setting of Trafalgar Square. This will be a special moment celebrating the start of the Big Dance Week.

There are a multitude of opportunities for everyone to participate from 20 May to 10 September. Events by world-class and emerging choreographers will take over public spaces – schools, libraries, community centres, car parks, piazzas and shopping centres, delivered in partnership with several organisations and local authorities.

Dance is an extraordinary artform which connects with everyone regardless of age, ability or culture.

Big Dance 2016 will be the final one themed Dance Decades

I hope that if you have not already encountered the joy of dancing that you certainly will this summer. So there are no excuses, just get involved and enjoy the last Big Dance!

Jacqueline Rose **Big Dance Director** 

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- bigdance.org.uk
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# ABOUT THE BIG DANCE HUBS

Five leading dance organisations, known as the Big Dance Hubs, curate and provide a programme of dance participation opportunities and performances during the Big Dance Festival. All the Hubs offer yearround opportunities for you to get involved with dance across the capital:

# East London

# Dance

East London Dance is the leading producer of creative dance experiences for the people of east London and beyond. From its base in Stratford East London Dance produces inspirational dance projects & events and nurture the next generation of makers and producers, growing one of the most diverse and vibrant dance communities in the country. From large scale productions to intimate encounters people of all ages are encouraged to create and experience dance differently.

eastlondondance.org



#### West English National Ballet

**English National Ballet is** considered one of the world's leading ballet companies and reaches hundreds of thousands of people each year through performances and engagement activities. **English National Ballet works** in partnership with artists, local authorities, arts organisations and local communities to generate a diverse programme of dance activity across the west London boroughs. English National Ballet aims to produce a plethora of dance in a range of locations. Whether you are watching a professional dance performance or participating in a class or workshop, join in and help get west London dancing!

ballet.org.uk

### South East Greenwich Dance

Greenwich Dance is the home of dance in south east London. An extraordinary meeting place for artists, audiences and communities it makes the space for great dance to happen through incubation. creation, participation and performance. In addition to providing a space for some of the UK's finest dance artists to make and perform their work, it has a year-round programme of activities for everyone including classes, performances, social dances and events at its home. the beautiful 1930s Borough Hall, and in venues across south east London.

greenwichdance.org.uk

# North Sadler's Wells

Sadler's Wells is a world leader in contemporary dance presenting a vibrant yearround programme of dance - from tango to hip hop, ballet to flamenco, Bollywood to cutting-edge contemporary dance - bringing the best of international and British dance to audiences. Sadler's Wells presents ambitious programme of workshops, performances and masterclasses at its three theatres - Sadler's Wells, Lilian Baylis Theatre & The Peacock Theatre – and throughout the north London boroughs.

Sadler's Wells goal is to inspire and excite people about dance in all its forms.

sadlerswells.com

# South Siobhan Davies Dance

Founded in 1988 by pioneering choreographer Siobhan Davies, Siobhan Davies Dance has evolved from a touring dance company into an investigative contemporary arts organisation. The RIBA award-winning Siobhan Davies Studios opened in 2006 establishing a permanent base for the organisation to create new work and support independent artists. The Studios host a programme of exhibitions, performances, participation projects and new commissions from leading contemporary artists.

siobhandavies.com

# BIG DANCE 2016 HIGHLIGHTS

More than just a week! There's so much going for Big Dance 2016 across the capital, check out these highlights.

#### **BIG DANCE BUS**

20 May - 10 September

# The Ultimate Pop Up Ballroom & Ready-made Rave

The Big Dance Bus is back to celebrate a decade of Big Dance and will be touring the capital to get everyone dancing! The quirky double-decker Routemaster travels with its own dance-floor, pumping sound system, compere, DJ and a resident dance company to get you moving and shaking.

Inspired by Big Dance's 10th anniversary, we will be premiering a brand new commission which will take you on a whistle stop tour through the Dance Decades. Choreographed by Natasha Khamjani and Fleur Davison, get ready to be transported from the 20's to the present day and see classics moves from the Charleston to Swing, Disco Fever to Vogueing, Breakdance to Garage.

performances, showcases from local talent and a whole load of free dance classes in Lindy Hop, African, Bollywood and Wheelchair Street Dance. Bring the whole family, come watch, be inspired and join in on the fun!



# BIG DANCE BUS TOUR DATES

1	Fri 20 May 10:30 – 14:30	Havering Pledge Celebration	Queen's Theatre, Hornchurch	RM11 1QT
2	Sun 29 May 11:00 – 16:00	Addiscombe Festival	Ashburton Park, Croydon	CR0 6RX
3	Sat 4 Jun 12:00 – 17:00	Family Fest	Park Hill, Croydon	CR0 5SX
4	Sun 5 Jun 13:00 – 17:00	We Dance – Watford	Watford High Street	WD17 1LU
5	Sat 11 June 12:00 – 17:00	Frame: The London Dance Film Festival	Ancient Market Place, Kingston	KT1 1JS
6	Sun 12 June 12:00 – 17:00	The Mayor of London's Patron's Lunch	Trafalgar Square	WC2N 5DN
7	Sat 18 Jun 12:00 – 17:00	Farnham Maltings	Bridge Square, Farnham	GU9 7QR
8	Sun 19 June 12:30 – 17:30	The Cally Festival	Caledonian Road, Islington	N1 1EF
9	Sat 2 July 11:00 – 16:00	Beaversfield Park	Hounslow West	TW47JG
10	Sun 3 July 12:00 – 17:00	The Beat Goes On Southwark	Goose Green Park, Dulwich	SE15
11	Wed 6 July 12:00 – 19:00	Jubilee Hall	Covent Garden Piazza	WC2E 8BE
12	Fri 8 July 13:00 – 18:00	Community Dance Celebration	Queen's Theatre, Hornchurch	RM11 1QT
13	Sat 9 July 12:00 – 17:00	Sutton Big Dance Day	High Street, Sutton	SM1 1LD
14	Sun 10 July 13:00 – 18:00	Paddington Festival	Maida Hill Market	W9 3EU
15	Sat 16 July 13:00 – 17:00	Twickenham Green	Richmond	TW2 5AB
16	Sun 17 July 13:00 – 17:00	Give it a Go! Festival	Parliament Hill Fields, Hampstead Heath	NW5 1QR
17	Sat 23 July 13:00 – 18:00	Plaza Latina	Nursery Row Park	SE17 1ER
18	Sun 24 July 12:00 – 18:00	Summer Streets	Regent Street	W1B 4HL
19	Sat 30 July 12:00 – 17:00	Vauxhall Pleasure Gardens	Vauxhall	SE11 5ES
20	Wed 10 Aug 12:00 – 16:00	The Centre, Feltham	The Piazza, Middlesex	TW13 4GU
21	Sat 3 Sept 13:00 – 18:00	Liberty Festival – National Paralympic Day	Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park	E20 2ST
22	Sat 10 Sept 12:00 – 17:00	Bell Square	Hounslow High Street	TW3 3HH

# BIG DANCE IN TRAFALGAR SQUARE: LOOKING BACK

Creating 'big dances' by world-class artists for everyone to take part has been at the heart of Big Dance. To bring this vision into reality, thousands of Londoners of all ages and abilities have performed original choreography over the decade.

As centrepieces for Big Dance these special mass performances in the world heritage site of Trafalgar Square have been unique memorable experiences connecting people across the city. Since 2006, the six choreographers for the Big Dance Trafalgar Square commissions have been:



Big Dance 2006 – Jeanefer Jean-Charles



Big Dance Trafalgar Square 2012 – Wayne McGregor CBE



Big Dance 2008 – Aletta Collins



Big Commonwealth

Dance 2014 – Beats for Peace –

Rafael Bonachela



Big World Dance 2010 – Luca Silvestrini



Big Dance Trafalgar Square 2016 – Akram Khan



In 2006, Jeanefer Jean-Charles set about creating a new world record which featured as part of a BBC One programme Dancing in The Streets. 752 dancers performed 44 different dance styles simultaneously to one music track by DJ Walde.

For 2008, Aletta Collins generated another world record - the Largest Dance Class in the World Learnt Remotely supported by a viral web campaign of 'Sign up, Warm Up, Turn Up... and Dance! 2008 dancers took part in this successful record attempt.

Big World Dance 2010, directed by Luca Silvestrini, used inspiration from the Southbank's Dance Atlas - an interactive online map where people posted their own signature moves. With the start line at the Southbank Centre and the finishing line at Trafalgar Square, this dance marathon featured moves representing the five continents of the world.

The Olympic edition by Wayne McGregor CBE presented choreography inspired by the London 2012 Games. As the Creative Director, Wayne created a large-scale dance piece for 1000 participants as part of the Channel 4 film 'Big Dance 2012'.

For 2014, Rafael Bonachela, Artistic Director of Sydney Dance Company was inspired by the backdrop of the XX Commonwealth Games. Beats For Peace was a 'dance film' created through a simultaneous dance led by Australia uniting Commonwealth nations England and Scotland through a live link up outside the Sydney Opera House, Trafalgar Square and Buchanan Street, Glasgow.

In 2016, Akram Khan will lead the final Big Dance commission. This is your last opportunity to watch this spectacular event in the iconic setting of Trafalgar Square. Find out more on page 16.





## Big Dance Pledge

The Big Dance Pledge is an opportunity for everyone to take part in a unifying performance and creative process with other groups across the globe. This year's choreography has been created by Akram Khan, with an original music track by composer Nitin Sawhney. On 20 May 2016 at 1pm or 7pm local time, groups from over 40 countries will take part in a series of performances connecting thousands of dancers worldwide. The free resources to learn the choreography or create your own version stay online for the rest of the year – use them to create a performance for the Big Dance Week or an event of your own.

bigdance.org.uk/big-dance-pledge



# Dance Decade – Exhibition & Short Films

15 June – 10 September

Daily 12:00 - 17:00pm

Garden Court Café – Sadler's Wells, Rosebery Avenue, EC1R 4TN

Free

A stunning photography exhibition celebrating 10 years of Big Dance offers an insight into some of the achievements of the amazing people and organisations that have made Big Dance possible. Also there is the opportunity to watch the Big Dance Shorts films commissioned for Channel 4's Random Acts strand.

sadlerswells.com



## Design Competition

Over 500 children entered the "Dance through your Imagination" competition led by the Institute of Imagination to design a travelcard holder. The judges, including ballet star, Darcey Bussell, were extremely impressed by all of the entries. Congratulations goes to 12-year-old Oliver for designing the winning entry! Oliver's design now appears on 10,000 holders, each of which will be brought to life by Blippar. Look out for them at a Big Dance Bus event this summer!

"A twisty, twirly dance through a weird and wonderful landscape whose huge colour filled sky signifies the unlimited possibilities of imagination... and dance!" Oliver

To see all the competition entries visit: ioi.london



# Dance Umbrella Framing London Exhibition

27 June to 15 July

Daily 8:30 - 18:00

City Hall, The Queen's Walk, SE1 2AA

Free

An inspiring photographic exhibition on display at City Hall captures a range of Dance Umbrella artists out and about in unusual places across the capital. Images by photographer Jevan Chowdhury were commissioned by Dance Umbrella, following on from Jevan's Moving Cities project in 2014.

danceumbrella.co.uk

In its third and final series, five new dance films have been produced for Channel 4's Random Acts strand. The filmmakers and choreographers explore dance on film in diverse and imaginative ways responding to the Big Dance 2016 theme "Dance Decades".





#### Flying/Falling

A performance-led, visual exploration of human strength, frailty and physicality in the context of ageing and outer space. A collaboration between Visual artist Edwin Mingard, Vicki Amedume of aerialists Upswing, and Entelechy Arts.

#### We Shall Trip the Light Fantastic

The film appropriates elements from different eras of popular dance forms and collages them onto a single body in visceral and unexpected ways. A collaboration between artist and moving image maker Lucy Cash, choreographer and visual artist Florence Peake and award winning director of photography Ole Birkeland.

#### Steamy Valley

Led by a dancer with Parkinson's disease, a group of elderly hot-spring visitors journey through a harsh frozen landscape dotted with steaming pools. The environment and their physical ability combine to shape their movements. This film is a collaboration between filmmakers Oscar Oldershaw and Joe Campbell and Independent Dance Artist Cecilia Macfarlane.

#### The Big Sofa

A family is fast asleep in front of the television. Suddenly they are awakened, and bizarrely compelled to move to the sound track of the film they have been watching.

A collaboration between screen dance maker Deborah Tiso, director of photography Filippo Maria, sound designer Tim Barker, and composer Funki Porcini.

To the Ends of the Fingertips Slipping through the fingers of time, the film is a visually rich and surreal search for freedom and fulfilment. A collaboration between filmmaker Roswitha Chesher and Average Height Ladies – Sophie Arstall and Flizabeth Barker

Check our listing to find a free screening this summer or check out the Random Acts website to watch the films online.

randomacts.channel4.com



# PRE BIG DANCE WEEK 20 MAY - 1 JULY 2016

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The countdown to the Big Dance Week has plenty of events happening across the capital to get you in the mood!

# Big Dance Bus – Havering Big Dance Pledge Celebration

#### Friday 20 May

10:30 - 14:30

Queen's Theatre, Hornchurch, RM11 1QT

Free

The Big Dance Bus Kicks off its tour at The Queens Theatre Green to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Big Dance. Children and young people from Havering schools dance their own choreographed pieces on the pop up dance-floor as well as take part in mass performances. Everyone is invited to watch the Big Dance Pledge performance at 13:00 as part of a worldwide celebration.

# Alchemy Big Dance Pledge Friday 20 May

13:00 - 13:15

Clore Ballroom, Royal Festival Hall, Southbank Centre, SE1 8XX

Free

Alchemy is the Southbank Centre's annual festival showcasing the best of dance, music, theatre, design, fashion, comedy and literature from the UK and South Asia. As part of Alchemy, the Southbank Centre Associate Schools perform the 2016 Big Dance Pledge. The piece explores what it means to overcome adversity and achieve. The choreography enables pupils to tell their own stories, sharing their experiences through an open performance for everyone to watch. Suitable for all ages.

southbank.co.uk

# Haven't Stopped Dancing Yet!

Saturday 21 May

19:30 - 23:00

St Swithun's Church Hall, SE13 6QE

Tickets £10 (£12 on the door)

Why should the kids have all the fun? Haven't Stopped Dancing Yet! is a hugely popular 70s & 80s soul, funk and disco night for people who remember the tunes first time around and still want to have a good boogie. With vinyl DJ, dance routines to follow, prizes for the best retro outfits and free sweets and ice pops this will be a night to remember.

haventstoppeddancingyet.co.uk

# Alchemy Elders Thursday 26 May

14:00 - 19:00

Clore Ballroom, Spirit Level and Central Bar at Royal Festival Hall, Southbank Centre, SE1 8XX

As part of Alchemy festival a day long programme examining and celebrating the work and participation of older artists:

14:00 - 16:30 Social Dance

14:00 – 16:00 Professional development workshop for dance artists working with or wishing to work with older dancers

16:45 – 17:45 A panel discussion on lifelong creativity and perceptions of older artists

18:00 – 19:00 An evening of dance, showcasing the rich diversity of work created or performed by older artists

southbankcentre.co.uk



# Big Dance Bus – Addiscombe Festival, Croydon

Sunday 29 May

11:00 - 16:00

Ashburton Park, Croydon, CR0 6RX

Free (donations welcome)

The Big Dance Bus will pull in to Croydon with a 'pop-up ballroom and ready-made rave' to get everyone at the Addiscombe Festival moving and shaking! All family are welcome and the park is fully accessible to everyone.

croydonlions.org.uk

# YUVA, South Asian Youth Dance Platform

Monday 30 May

11:00 - 18:00

Clore Ballroom at Royal Festival Hall, Southbank Centre, SE1 8XX

Free

A vibrant showcase of the best South Asian youth dance from across the country as part of Alchemy. Presented in partnership with the South Asian Dance Alliance (SADAA), YUVA Youth Dance Platform offers performance opportunities to individuals and groups aged 15 and under.

southbankcentre.co.uk



# Big Dance Bus – Family Fest, Croydon

#### Saturday 4 June

12:00 - 17:00

Park Hill Recreation Ground, Crovdon, CR0 5SX

Free

Find a new passion and jump on Croydon's Big Dance Bus! Join in or just watch dance from Dub Step, Bollywood, Ballet to Bharatanatyyam, Hip Hop or try gardening, IT coding, arts & crafts, beekeeping or movies. There's a programme of activities that can be enjoyed whatever your age! It's all happening in Park Hill Recreation Ground - 16 acres of lush green, 5 mins walk from East Croydon Station.

parkhillpark.org.uk

# Big Dance Bus – We Dance – Watford

# Sunday 5 June

13:00 - 17:00

Watford High Street, Watford, WD17 1LU

Free

Six Watford based community groups aged between 8 – 80 years old will perform bespoke dance pieces inspired by the Big Dance Pledge themes. Workshops and participation elements will involve contemporary dance and other dance styles. A student interactive dance installation invites you to get up and have a go. Family friendly, fully accessible, just drop in!

watford.gov.uk

## FRAME: The London Dance Film Festival

#### Friday 9 – Sunday 12 June

Across Kingston-Upon-Thames

With dancing in the streets, the inaugural edition of FRAME: The London Dance Film Festival will burst into life for 4 days throughout Kingston-Upon-Thames. This exciting new festival includes screenings of new and classic dance films including 42 Street, FAME and Singing In The Rain, events about choreographing, directing and producing dance films.

On Saturday 11 June, the iconic Big Dance Bus will take over Kingston's Ancient Market Square from 12 noon and is not to be missed!

This packed weekend, culminates in an unmissable performance by the internationally acclaimed dance company, BalletBoyz to round off the FRAME Festival with a bang.

Download the Festival brochure at: framefilmfestival.com

Presented by Balletboyz in association with the dancescreen competition 2016.





# Big Dance Shorts – Retrospective Screening and Exclusive Preview

## Frame: The London Film Festival

### Saturday 11 June

11:30

The Rose Theatre, 24–26 High St. Kingston-Upon-Thames, KT1 1HL

Free - booking essential

Come and celebrate the three editions of Big Dance Shorts at this retrospective film screening from 2012 and 2014 followed by an exclusive preview of this year's five Big Dance Shorts.

There will be a Q&A with the filmmakers revealing how the films were made.

To book, visit: framefilmfestival.com



# A Time for Tai Chi

Saturday 11 June 13:00 – 15:00

#### Sunday 12 June

10:00 - 12:00

St Gabriel's Halls, Churchill Gardens, Pimlico, SW1V 3AA

Free – booking essential

Find out more about the ancient practice of Lishi, which includes many Daoist arts practices, tai chi forms and dance. Childcare is provided - £10 for the two hour workshops.

To book, email: helen@lishi.org

# The Mayor of London's Patron Lunch Sunday 12 June

11:00 - 17:00

Trafalgar Square, WC2N 5DN Free

Come and celebrate the work of the Queen and her charities as our longest serving monarch turns 90. Enjoy a packed free programme of Queen and Commonwealth themed entertainment. Why not also boogie on in with the Big Dance Bus and its decade of dance workshops?! Dress the part!

This event is designed to complement the ticketed event on the Mall.

This is a Mayor of London event supported by Marks and Spencer.

london.gov.uk/events

## Moving Woolwich Friday 17 June

13:30 - 17:30

General Gordon Square, Woolwich, SE18 6HD

Free

Woolwich Town Centre presents a vibrant celebration of dance - including performances and a Youth Dance Platform programmed by and for young people. There's even a chance to join in, with workshops suitable for everyone.

Greenwich Dances is part of the Royal Greenwich Festivals, and supported by the Royal Borough of Greenwich.

No need to book, just join in on the day!

just join in on the day! greenwichdance.org.uk



# In the Mix – A Cando2 Cabaret Night Saturday 18 June

Doors 17:30, show starts 18:00

Greenwich Dance, The Borough Hall, Royal Hill, Greenwich, SE10 8RE

Tickets £10 & £7.50 concessions / Limited no of £1 tickets available for Greenwich residents.

Come for a relaxed evening of bold, diverse and exciting performances to celebrate Candoco Dance Company's 25th anniversary. With each piece handpicked for you by young artists from Cando2, expect fresh perspectives and new ideas.

Greenwich Dances is part of the Royal Greenwich Festivals, and supported by the Royal Borough of Greenwich.

To book, visit: greenwichdance.org.uk or call 020 8293 9741

# **Love Clock**

#### Saturday 18 June

King's Road, Chelsea, SW3 Free

Playful and unexpected, Chelsea Arts Collective's Love Clock is a free, accessible and interactive outdoor performance event for all ages. Guided by the friendly yet enigmatic Doctor Tic Toc, a dozen or so dancers and musicians unwind the mechanics of love and time in a delicate and dynamic fashion.

For time and exact location please, visit: intransitfestival.co.uk

# West End Live Saturday 18

11:00 - 18:00

#### Sunday 19 June

12:00 - 18:00

Trafalgar Square, WC2N 5DN Free

This free annual celebration of the West End's vibrant theatre scene showcases the quality and diversity the West End has to offer. Featuring showcases from every West End show, this highlight event is jam packed with brilliant classic dance acts.

For more information, visit: westendlive.co.uk

# Big Dance Bus – Farnham Maltings Saturday 18 June

12:00 – 17:00

Farnham Maltings, Bridge Square, Farnham, GU9 7OR

Free

The Big Dance Bus is coming to the Maltings! This readymade party will rock up with performances from our newest resident dance company, New Adventures & Re: Bourne, to get you moving and shaking. Bring the whole family and come watch, be inspired and join in on the fun!

In association with Stopgap Dance Company and The Dance Movement.

farnhammaltings.com

# Big Dance Bus - The Cally Festival Sunday 19 June

12:30 - 17:30

Caledonian Road, N1 1EF

Free

The liveliest street festival on Caledonian Road returns with the Big Dance Bus. Bring along your family for a day of music, dance, performances and fun classes, we'll have you dancing all the way home!

thecallyfestival.co.uk

# Wee/Francesco Scavetta: Surprised Body Project #London

#### Wednesday 22 June

19:00 & 21:00

Greenwich Dance, The Borough Hall, Royal Hill, SE10 8RE

Tickets £12 & £9 concession / Limited no. of £1 tickets available for Greenwich residents.

Led by acclaimed dance artist Francesco Scavetta, a 3-week creation process in the UK and Sweden will bring together dancers from across Europe in the UK premiere of Surprised Body Project #London. The project has toured to 23 countries worldwide so far – the UK premiere presented by Greenwich Dance features two UK based dancers alongside Wee Company.

To book, visit: greenwichdance.org.uk or call 020 8293 9741



# We May Be Some Time Sunday 26 June

13:00

National Maritime Museum, Park Row, Greenwich, SE10 9NF

Free

Royal Museums Greenwich choreographer in residence, Bethan Peters invites you to go on a unique and interactive trail of discovery through the National Maritime Museum as a local cast bring the building to life with dance and song. Follow the trail to uncover personal accounts of travel, adventure and the desire to explore the world around us against a backdrop steeped in history and the spirit of intrepid voyages.

Part of Greenwich Dances festival in partnership with National Maritime Museum & Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance.

Suitable for ages 5+. No need to book, just turn up!

greenwichdance.org.uk

# Haven't Stopped Dancing Yet! Sunday Afternoon Disco Boat Party

Sunday 26 June 15:00 – 18:00

Departs Greenwich Pier.

SE10 9JH

Tickets £25

A boat trip up the Thames and a disco party - this Sunday afternoon event with the Haven't Stopped Dancing Yet crew has it all! Don't miss the opportunity to dance to the best 70s and 80s vinyl whilst enjoying fabulous views of London as you party up and down the river. Over 18's only.

To book, visit: haventstoppeddancingyet.co.uk

# Greenwich Dance at Moat Island

### Tuesday 28 & Wednesday 29 June

Activity between 16:00 – 17:00 daily

Well Hall Pleasaunce, Well Hall Road, Eltham, SE9 6SZ

Free

Greenwich Dances presents two exciting free outdoor family shows, taking a sideways look at dance. Presented in association with Greenwich & Docklands International Festival as part of Moat Island – an outdoor arts adventure for intrepid under 12s.

In Second Hand Dance's show for young children Grass you can explore the ground and all of its wriggling inhabitants; in Darren Ellis Dance's Meeting Mr Boom, the show will inflate before your eyes taking you on a journey of discovery!

greenwichdance.org.uk



# The Psychology of a Dance Party Wednesday 29 June

19:00 - 21:00

The Dome, Lewis Cubitt Square, King's Cross, N1C 4AB

Tickets £10

Do you want to know how swing frees up memory and tango triggers creativity? Are you burning to learn how barn dancing boosts puzzlesolving powers, ballroom hormones influence social identity, and hardcore rave relates to intimate attraction? Dance psychologist Dr. Peter Lovatt will teach you about key ideas in cognitive psychology by showing how to bust some moves.

To book, visit: theschooloflife.com/london

# Double Bill: Jan Martens and Hannah Buckley Thursday 30 June

19:45

Greenwich Dance, The Borough Hall, Royal Hill, Greenwich, SE10 8RE

Tickets £12 & £9 concessions / Limited no. of £1 tickets available for Greenwich residents

This double bill by acclaimed choreographers Jan Martens and Hannah Buckley will close Greenwich Dances 2016. Ode to the Attempt by Jan Martens provides a space for Martens to fool around. Hannah Buckley's Woman With Eggs takes inspiration from women's ability to be many things via Sophie Calle, a 90 year old woman, and Kate Bush. Suitable for ages 16+.

green wich dance.org.uk

# Brent Dance Blast

Friday 1 July

18:00 - 21:00

Brent Civic Centre Grand Hall, Wembley, Middlesex, HA9 0FJ

Free

Brent Council celebrates 10 years of Big Dance with its biggest annual showcase of youth dance talent in the borough. Brent Dance Blast is an exciting opportunity for talented young people to be part of a Brent-wide dance competition.

To get involved contact: arts@brent.gov.uk

Dance Showdown 2016

Friday 1 July

17:30 - 21:30

Cadogan Hall, 5 Sloane Terrace, SW1X 9DO

Tickets £8

Dance Showdown is one of Kensington & Chelsea's biggest youth dance competitions, providing a platform for groups of talented and aspiring young dancers to perform and compete, with prizes awarded from established dance companies and guest artists.

To book, contact: tania.moore@epiccic.org.uk or call 020 7938 8040



# BIG DANCE WEEK

Big Dance Week is the highlight of the Big Dance Festival offering an outstanding programme of dance performances and participation events that will animate public spaces across the capital. Join the celebrations!

Big Dance Trafalgar Square 2016 by Akram Khan Saturday 2 July

Choreographer Akram Khan opens the final Big Dance Week with a unique afternoon of dance performance in the iconic setting of Trafalgar Square. 1000 Londoners - dance groups and individuals - will perform a spectacular and moving dance with epic music by Nitin Sawhney especially composed for the occasion.

Akram Khan is one of the most celebrated dance artists today, building his reputation on the success of imaginative, highly accessible and relevant productions such as Until the Lions, Kaash, DESH, iTMOi, Vertical Road, Gnosis and zero degrees. An instinctive and natural collaborator, Khan has been a magnet to world-class artists from other cultures and disciplines. His work is recognised as being profoundly moving, in which his intelligently crafted storytelling is effortlessly intimate and epic. A recent highlight of his career was the creation of a section of the London 2012 Olympic Games Opening Ceremony that was received with unanimous acclaim.

"Dance is a form of ritual, of celebration that all cultures share. It has to be personal and universal." – Akram Khan



# **Dancing City**

#### Friday 1 July

13:00 - 14:00 & 17:30 - 18:30

#### Saturday 2 July

13:00 - 17:00

Canary Wharf, E14

Free

Greenwich+Docklands International Festival's annual dance extravaganza, Dancing City, presents the best of UK and international outdoor dance. Enjoy performances from Wired Aerial Theatre, Beelden Dans Theatre Telder, and Corey Baker Dance as well as a new piece by Candoco Dance Company choreographed by Arlene Phillips and much, much more.

Visit: festival.org for up to date information on timings.

# The Place Presents: Pop up Dances at the British Library

#### Saturday 2 July

10:45 - 11:05 / 12:10 - 12:30 / 14:10 - 14:30

The British Library -Poets Circle, 96 Euston Rd, NW1 2DB

Young dancers from The Place's recreational classes. aged 8 - 15 years, will be performing pop up dances inspired by their visit to the British Library's West Africa: Word, Symbol, Song exhibition. For all the family and free of charge. Just turn up and enjoy!

For more information, visit: bl.uk

# **Big Dance** Bus comes to **Beaversfield** Park

#### Saturday 2 July

11:00 - 16:00

Beaversfield Park, Rosemary Avenue, Hounslow West, TW4 7JG

Beaversfield Park will spring to life for one toe tapping, hip jiggling day with classes, local and professional dance talent & music from all eras from Charleston to Techno. The Big Dance Bus has been chosen by local people from the Heston and Cranford Hub together with Creative People & Places Hounslow, which aims to bring the Arts to places that might not otherwise be reached. So join in, no need to book and it's absolutely free!

watermans.org.uk

# **Ignition Dance** Festival -Choreographers **Platform**

#### Saturday 2 July

19:30

Rose Theatre, 24-26 High St, Kingston, KT1 1HL

Tickets £15/£5 students and under 26

Selected from a national competition, four of the UK's finest choreographers will present new work under one theme Dis-order. The exciting line up promises an evening of inspiring dance from award winning choreographers and Special Guests.

Produced by DanceWest and supported by Arts Council England, Kingston Council Arts Office and BalletBoyz.

rosetheatrekingston.org



# The Beat Goes On – Big Dance Weekend in Southwark

### Saturday 2 – Sunday 10 July

Free

Celebrate Big Dance Week Southwark, find your event and get moving:

#### Dance Hall Stage, Bermondsey Carnival

#### Saturday 2 July

12:00 - 20:00

Southwark Park, SE16 2EH

This lively stage will present the best local dancers and there will be a chance to have a go at a range of dance styles from Zumba to contemporary. Family Friendly.

#### Big Dance Bus Sunday 3 July

12:00 - 17:00

Goose Green Park, Dulwich, SE15

Emerging and experienced choreographers will present a day of performances and workshops which will explore different choreographic styles from experienced artists. Family Friendly.

#### Southwark Taster Workshops

Saturday 2 - Sunday 10 July

Across Southwark

More than a weekend! Taster workshops offered at different locations across the borough are a fantastic opportunity to introduce Londoners to the exciting range of regular dance activities taking place in Southwark. Sign up to the Southwark Arts & Culture e-newsletter to hear about dance workshops and events in Southwark:

#### arts.admin@southwark.gov.uk

For more information, visit: southwark.gov.uk/ southwarkpresents

## The London Bridge City Summer Festival

#### Sunday 3 – Friday 8 July

The Scoop, More London, SE1 2DB

Free

Sunday 3 July 12:00 – 14:00: Join an afternoon of dance with workshops performances and Big Dance film screenings.

From 4 – 8 July: Watch out for Big Dance films being screened during the coverage from Wimbledon!



### Baby Loves Disco

#### Sunday 3 July

10:00 - 13:00

The Dome.

Lewis Cubitt Square, King's Cross, N1C 4AB

Free - booking essential

Baby Loves Disco is a special club event to bring your children to dance with you. Dance trainers are at hand to teach dance moves to the young and uninitiated. Family participatory event.

To book, visit: babylovesdisco.co.uk



## Greenwich World Cultural Festival

#### Sunday 3 July

12:30 - 17:00

Eltham Palace, Court Yard, Eltham, SE9 5OE

Free

In collaboration with English Heritage, Greenwich World Cultural Festival returns to Eltham Palace & Gardens for its eighth year, with a stunning afternoon of dance, theatre, music and circus from around the world, for all the family to enjoy. Explore the beautiful grounds of Eltham Palace and discover pop-up performances, live music, and creative activities for all the family.

greenwichdance.org.uk

# Next Choreography Festival

## Sunday 3 July

12:00 – 20:00

Siobhan Davies Studios, 85 St Georges Road, SE1 6ER

Free

A celebration of choreography throughout Siobhan Davies Studios, featuring the work of young artists and professionals including workshops, performances, a Young Artists Feedback Forum, a screening of Siobhan Davies & David Hinton's film installation The Running Tongue and Pilgrim by Lucy Suggate. Booking required for some events.

For more information, visit: siobhandavies.com

# Festa Julina Sunday 3 July

12:00 - 17:30

Horniman Museum and Gardens, 100 London Road, SE23 3PO

Free

Join a traditional Brazilian party in the Horniman Gardens to celebrate the opening of a 'Brazilian Summer'. Expect traditional Brazilian square dance, contemporary fusions, street performances by professional and community artists. Get involved in this family friendly event!

Produced in partnership with Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance & Gandaia Arts.

horniman.ac.uk

# Ignition Dance Festival – Community Platform

#### Sunday 3 July

13:00 & 17:00

Rose Theatre, 24–26 High St, Kingston, KT1 1HL

Booking essential

Community based dance groups from West London take to the Rose Theatre stage! With performances from youth dance companies, schools colleges and special guests, this event promises to be a celebration event.

To book, visit: rosetheatrekingston.org

# City Hall Take Over: Dance through Your Imagination Monday 4 July

10:00 - 17:00

City Hall – The Queen's Walk, More London, SE1 2AA

Free – pre booked with school groups

The Institute of Imagination in partnership with Siobhan Davies Dance takeover City Hall to celebrate imagination, movement and dance with invited groups of children, young people and teachers. Audiences are invited to observe interactive installations, dance workshops and performances.

For more information, visit: ioi.london/bigdance and siobhandavies.com/work/big-dance



# Summer Intensive Workshop – Transmitting Trio A (1966) with Sara Wookey

#### Monday 4 July – Friday 8 July

10:00 - 16:00

Greenwich Dance, The Borough Hall, Royal Hill, SE10 8RE

Cost: £200 for the five-day workshop

This year is the 50th anniversary of Trio A (1966) choreographed by Yvonne Rainer. To celebrate the occasion Greenwich Dance presents a one-week intensive workshop to teach this iconic dance. Sara Wookey will lead the five-day workshop in Greenwich Dance's Borough Hall, where the dance was notated in 2003 by Melanie Clark and Joukje Kolff.

Sara Wookey is an American dance artist and researcher based in London and has worked with Tate Modern, Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance, Siobhan Davies Dance and the van Abbemuseum.

This workshop is suitable for professional dancers.

greenwichdance.org.uk



# Street Dance Class for Toddlers

# Monday 4 July

15:30 - 16:30

Stratford Circus Arts Centre, Theatre Square, E15 1BX

Free

Are your kids dancing around the house to the latest Hip Hop tracks? Get them down to the exclusive Street Dance for Toddlers Class with partners East London Dance and Stratford Circus Arts Centre. Enjoy this taster dance workshop with a professional Street Dance Artist, who will teach your little ones the foundations of Street Dance.

Dress Code: Cool Dudes. Age: 3 – 5 years.

To book, contact: natalia. barua@eastlondondance.org or call 020 8279 1052

# Krump for Kids Class

#### Monday 4 July

16:30 - 17:30

Stratford Circus Arts Centre, Theatre Square, E15 1BX

Free

Want to get your kids involved in the latest dance craze? Then get them down to this exclusive Krump for Kids Class with partners East London Dance and Stratford Circus Arts Centre. Enjoy this taster dance workshop with a professional Krump Performer who will teach your kids the foundations in Krumping.

Dress Code: Krazy Kool. Age: 5 – 8 years.

To book, contact: natalia. barua@eastlondondance.org or call 020 8279 1052

# Merchant of Venice

Tuesday 5 – Friday 8 July

Saturday 9 July 15:00 and 19:45

#### Sunday 10 July

19:45

Promenade performance – starts at Broadway Theatre, Broadway Barking, IG11 7LS

Tickets are £10, discounted to £5 for Barking & Dagenham residents.

In a celebrity driven, internet world full of selfies and hashtags, a wealthy heiress is looking for a husband. This clever adaptation is presented by Studio 3 Arts with local writer Ashley J, director Angela Michaels, movement director/choreographer Botis Seva and a cast of professional and community performers.

To book, visit: thebroadwaybarking.com or call 020 8507 5607



# Big Dance Question Time Man Up: The Gender of Choreography Is it time for quotas?

#### Wed 6 July 2016

18:00 - 19:30

London's Living Room, City Hall, The Queen's Walk, SE1 2AA

Free - booking essential

In a year that has seen a triple bill by female choreographers, investigations into gender bias, a conference, and a social media storm around the issue, Dance Umbrella invites you to come, listen and engage with an expert panel on how to change the world.

Panellists include: Tamzin Fitzgerald, Artistic Director, 2Faced Dance

Lucy Kerble, Director, Tonic Theatre

Alistair Spalding CBE, Sadler's Wells (Chair)

To book, visit: bigdance.org.uk



# Big Dance Bus – Covent Garden Piazza Wednesday 6 July

12:00 - 19:00

The Piazza (West side), Covent Garden, WC2E 8BE

Free

Jubilee Hall Trust is building healthier communities by bringing the Big Dance Bus to the Covent Garden Piazza! Local community dance groups will be celebrating a decade of Big Dance, presenting free workshops and performances from schools, senior community groups and even Jubilee Hall staff. Bring the whole family to this great mixture of free classes and performances.

jubileehalltrust.org

# Big Dance Bus – Community Dance Celebration Friday 8 July

13:00 - 18:00

Queen's Theatre Green, Billet Lane, Hornchurch, RM11 1OT

Free

The Big Dance Bus returns to Hornchurch with a Carnival theme to get everyone moving. There will be a mix of professional and community performances from local talent and classes to get granddad to groove, mum to move and sisters shaking their thing with something for everyone, turn up and have a go!

haveringsportscollective.org

# Mr. Gaga

#### Thursday 7 July

Screening 1 17:45 – 19:20

Q & A 19:30 – 20:30

Screening 2 20:30 - 22:30

DanceWest, Lyric Hammersmith, King Street, W6 OQL

Free – booking essential

Join DanceWest for two exclusive screenings of Mr Gaga with a Q & A streamed live with a representative from the Heymann Brothers. Israeli born Ohad Naharin is one of the most prominent and innovative choreographers in the world. This wonderful and uplifting film draws a unique portrait of the 60-year old artist.

To book, visit: dancewest.co.uk





# Big Dance Tea Twist Friday 8 July

15:30 – 18:00pm Sadler's Wells, Rosebery Room, EC1R 4TN Free

Join us for a Big Tea Dance with a Twist. Our nonagenarian DJ will have you on your feet dancing to everything from 1940's waltzes and lindy hopping, to reggae, funk and big band.

Organised in partnership with All Change and Candoco Dance Company.

To book, email: bigdancenorth@sadlerswells. com or visit sadlerswells.com

# Action Potential: An Evening of Dance & Science Friday 8 July

19:00

National Physical Laboratory, Hampton Road, Teddington, TW11 OLW

Free

Combination Dance Company presents a new dance work exploring how scientists believe motor neurons work. Through an athletic display of contemporary, urban dance and martial arts, with an interactive science section, dance artists will illustrate the relevance of this neurological research in the battle against Motor Neurone Disease.

In partnership with UCL & MMU Universities, Access Dance and the Motor Neurone Association, funded by The Wellcome Trust.

To book, email: npl@combinationdance.co.uk

# Big Dance at the Baylis, Sadler's Wells

Friday 8 July

19:30

Lilian Baylis Theatre, Sadler's Wells, Rosebery Avenue, EC1R 4TN

Free - booking essential

Sadler's Wells presents dance in a variety of styles from dance communities in North London who have been inspired by Big Dance. Bring your friends and family and be inspired by a range of dancers who show you how dance has impacted on their lives.

To book, email: bigdancenorth@sadlerswells. com or visit sadlerswells.com

# What's Next? Saturday 9 July

10:00 - 18:00

Theatre Royal Stratford East, Gerry Raffles Square, E15 1BN

Free

East London Dance, Theatre Royal Stratford East and Frantic Assembly present a career development training day and physical theatre workshops for young men aged between 16– 20. Are you interested in how to get ready for auditions? Want to talk to a panel of industry experts about how to develop your career? Want to take physical theatre workshops and a Monologue Masterclass? Then this day is for you!

What's Next is part of Ignition by Frantic Assembly – a national training programme for young men. Supported by the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation.

To book, email: Kirsty.anderson-tyrrell@ eastlondondance.org

## Big Dance Day in Sutton Saturday 9 July

12:00 - 17:00

Free

Celebrate this fun and family friendly Big Dance Day in Sutton. There's No need to book, just drop in:

#### Dance in Sutton's Central Library Saturday 9 July

11:00 - 12:30

Europa Gallery Space, Sutton Central Library, St Nicholas Way, SM1 1EA

Experience taster dance performances to warm you up in Sutton's Central Library before you get on board the Big Dance Bus event. This is a fun activity where you'll be able to experience your library like never before!

#### Big Dance Bus – Sutton High Street Saturday 9 July

12:00 - 17:00

High Street, Sutton, SM1 1LD

The Big Dance Bus will get everyone dancing in the centre of Sutton, offering an exciting showcase of dance activities and performances for all.

Come down to celebrate and experience dancing in your local area like never before!



# A Time for Tai Chi

#### Saturday 9 July

13:00 - 15:00

#### Sunday 10 July

10:00 - 12:00

St Gabriel's Halls, Churchill Gardens, Pimlico, SW1V 3AA

Free

Find out more about the ancient practice of Lishi, which includes many Daoist arts practices, tai chi forms and dance. Childcare is provided – £10 for the two hour workshops.

To book, email: helen@lishi.org

# The Mayor's Newham Carnival Saturday 9 July

14:00 – all day East Ham Central Park, High Street South, East Ham, E6

Free

Emergency Exit Arts leads the Mayor's Newham Carnival. It's always an amazing display of colourful costumes, dance & music created by Newham's communities including dance groups from all over Africa, Peru, Ecuador, Caribbean as well as Tamil, Salsa and much more, celebrating the literary theme, 'Turning the Page'.

newham.gov.uk

## Flamenco Westminster Saturday 9 July

15:00

Westminster Reference Library, 35 St Martin's St, WC2H 7HP

Free

Barraca Flamenca presents a brand new site specific work, with choreography inspired by the Spanish dance books of the Westminster Reference Library Collection. Choreographed by Sam Quy, the work features a collection of different palos, or styles of flamenco dance.

To book, via Westminster Reference Library: westminster.gov.uk/ westminster-referencelibrary-events

# Big Dance Bromley Showcase

#### Saturday 9 July

19:30

Churchill Theatre, High Street Bromley, BR1 1HA

Tickets £5

Come to this fantastic showcase celebrating the very best of dance in Bromley. From Flamenco to hip hop, contemporary to carnival, there is something to inspire and delight everyone. An event for the whole family to enjoy!

To book, visit: churchilltheatre.co.uk or call 0208 285 6000

# ENBYouthCo Taster Workshop Sunday 10 July

10:00 - 13:00

English National Ballet, Markova House, 39 Jay Mews, SW7 2ES

Free - booking essential

Launched as part of Big
Dance 2012, ENBYouthCo
has become one of the
UK's leading youth dance
companies. Join English
National Ballet's Youth
Company Creative Director,
Jo Meredith for an open
ENBYouthCo Taster
Workshop exploring a blend
of ballet and contemporary
styles, honing technique and
developing creativity. Suitable
for 13 – 17 years with some
dance experience

To book, visit: ballet.org.uk

# Big Dance Bus – Paddington Festival

## Sunday 10 July

13:00 - 18:00

Maida Hill Market, W9 3EU

Free

The Big Dance Bus is one of Paddington Arts 'Maida Hill Inspires Me' events, and part of the Paddington Festival. This inspirational programme offers a broad range of cultural and participatory activities, from baking to writing, fine art to poetry slams. The Big Dance Bus will be a vibrant addition featuring a mixture of professional and community performances showcasing amazing young local talent and a host of dance styles. No tickets required, just turn up!

paddingtonarts.org.uk

# POST-BIG DANCE WEEK 11 JULY - 10 SEPTEMBER 2016

More great dance activities for you to enjoy!

# Big Dance Celebrates at Westfield London

#### Thursday 14 July

Westfield Shepherds Bush, Ariel Way, W12 7GF

Free

English National Ballet partners with one of London's biggest shopping centres, Westfield London to celebrate Big Dance 2016. Join us for a dazzling array of high quality dance performances and energetic workshops from west London.

The full programme of activity including timings will be confirmed via: ballet.org.uk

# Big Dance Bus – Twickenham Green Saturday 16 July

13:00 - 17:00

Twickenham Green, Richmond, TW2 5AB

Free

The Big Dance Bus is returning to Twickenham! The 'pop up ballroom and ready-made rave' will rock up with its own dance-floor to get you moving and shaking. This is a free outdoor party suitable for all the family. Come and join the ultimate celebration of dance!

richmond.gov.uk/dance

# Big Dance Presents – Decades of Dance through the Movies

#### Thursday 21 July

12:00 - 14:00

Merchant Square, The Plaza, Paddington, W2 1AF

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Big Dance Presents at Merchant Square will offer an eclectic programme of workshops and performances inspired by cult movies to get you grooving in your lunch break. We'll boogie on down through the decades starting with the 70's disco of Saturday Night Fever to the 00's BellyBolly fusion. Watch, be inspired and join in the fun!

merchantsquare.co.uk/events

# Haven't Stopped Dancing Yet!

## Saturday 16 July

19:30 - midnight

Trafalgar Tavern, Park Row, Greenwich, SE10 9NW

Tickets £15 in advance

Why shouldn't we still dance?! Haven't Stopped Dancing Yet! is a hugely popular 70s and 80s soul, funk and disco night for those in their 30s, 40s and 50s and beyond. With vinyl DJ's and choreographed dance line-ups this is a night to remember.

To book, visit: haventstoppeddancingyet.co.uk



# Plaza Latina Festival

#### Saturday 23 July

12:00 - 21:00

Nursery Row Park, East Street, SE17 1ER

Free

Enjoy London's best Latin American festival with music, food, dance, arts & crafts and fun kids activities (including piñata-making!). You can experience gorgeous dance presentations from an eclectic mix of groups from across London – bring your costumes and join in dance workshops! The Big Dance Bus will be making an appearance offering great dance performances and workshops from 13:00.

plazalatina.co.uk

## Big Dance Bus – Summer Streets Sunday 24 July

12:00 - 18:00

Regent Street, W1B 4HL

Free

Don't miss this incredible day with the Big Dance Bus as part of Regent Street's Summer Streets event - where all Sundays are traffic-free this month! Expect classic hits and classic fashions from the 20's right up to now, dance through the decades of fashion styles with dance performances and activities for everyone to take part.

regentstreetonline.com

# Streetz Ahead Saturday 23 July

Alexandra Palace, N22 7AY Free – booking essential

#### Flashmob Fitness

Streetz Ahead will stage a gigantic flashmob with 2000 young people who will dance their socks off to the best tracks of the past 50 years. You can be part of the finale by participating in a morning workshop to learn the routine.

#### 100 years of Dance

Streetz Ahead dancers will perform the showcase 100 years of Dance and dazzle you with the best dance moments in history.

To book, visit: streetzahead.org or call 07956 987 387

## Big Dance Bus at Vauxhall Pleasure Gardens

#### Saturday 30 July

12:00 - 17:00

5 Glasshouse Walk, London, SE11 5ES

Free

The 'pop up ballroom and ready made rave' will rock up with its own dance-floor complete with DJ, MC, sound system and resident dance company to get you moving and shaking. There will be professional & community performances plus free classes to get granddad to groove, mum to move and sisters shaking their thing. There will be something for everyone so bring the whole family and come watch, be inspired and join in on the fun!

nineelmslondon.com/culture

# Big Dance Bus comes to The Centre, Feltham Wednesday

**10 August** 12:00 – 16:00

The Centre, Feltham, TW13 4GU

Free

The Big Dance Bus is coming to Feltham to celebrate Big Dance's 10th anniversary and get everyone dancing through the decades! No need to book, just turn up, join in and have fun! Suitable for the whole family. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

watermans.org.uk

# Big Dance Presents – a Sizzling Summer at Westfield Stratford City

## Saturday 13 & Sunday 14 August

12:00 - 16:00

Chestnut Plaza, Westfield Stratford City, London, E20

Free

Big Dance presents sizzling & high-energy dance performances and participatory workshops to raise the temperature and get everyone feeling the spirit of summer. Hosted by a fabulous compere, this 'Carnival-like Party' is great fun for all family and for all ages. Join the fun!

For more information, visit: uk.westfield.com/stratfordcity

# Liberty Festival 2016 - National Paralympic Day

#### Saturday 3 September

13:00 - 18:00

Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, Stratford, E20 2ST

The Mayor of London's Liberty Festival returns to Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park together with National Paralympic Day, Featuring an incredible line-up of Deaf and disability arts, there'll be something for everyone with live music, theatre and dance performances, activities for families, and more. The Big Dance Bus will be making an appearance with performances and wheelchair dancing workshops for everyone.

The Big Dance Bus is

# Capoeira Taster Workshop & **Big Dance Party** Friday 9 September

18:30 - 21:30

Dance Attic Studios. 368 North End Road. Fulham, SW6 1LY

Join Mestre Poncianinho and members of London's Capoeira community to celebrate 10 vears of Big Dance. You will be taken by this amazing Brazilian art form, feel incredible beats of a live orchestra and try some Capoeira dance movements. The evening will finish with a celebratory Capoeira roda followed by Brazilian food & drinks. So come along, be inspired, have fun and celebrate Big Dance the Capoeira way!

To book, visit: mojuba.co.uk

# Final Big Dance Bus Stop -**Bell Square**

#### Saturday 10 September

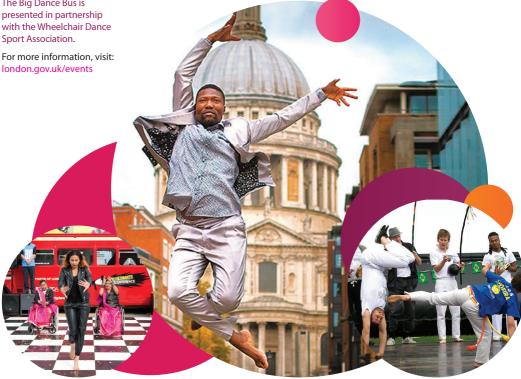
12:00 - 17:00

Bell Square, Hounslow High Street, TW3 3HH

Free

The Big Dance Bus will reach its final stop at Bell Square in Hounslow to close Big Dance 2016! Come and celebrate this exciting 'grand finale' moment with us! No need to book. iust turn up, join in and have fun! Suitable for the whole family. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

watermans.org.uk bellsquarelondon.com



# **OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Photo Competition**

# Send your best Big Dance picture to win a luxury night stay with Edwardian Hotels London!

Edwardian Hotels London – the Official Hotel Partner for Big Dance 2016 are offering the chance to win a fabulous luxury night stay for two in central London. This is an opportunity to luxuriate in the city's most desirable locations and feel truly indulged!

Send us your best picture from your Big Dance festival experience – whether professional or amateur you are invited to participate! Get snapping and share your Big Dance picture with us!

Send your favourite photo to: dance@bigdance.org.uk & upload it to Twitter, Instagram and tag:

@bigdancenews @EdwardianHotels #BigDance

\*T&Cs apply – to check competition details visit: bigdance.org.uk/competition



# 64 Million Artists Challenge

64 Million Artists is providing a series of Friday challenges in the run up to the Big Dance Week to help get you in the mood. Each week they'll send you a short task, inspiration or challenge related to dance decades which you can share on social media or on their website.

To sign up for the Friday Challenge go to: 64millionartists.com

# Win the Soundtrack to your Decade

Strictly Come Dancing and Dancing with the Stars' music guru Graham Jarvis has created an app called DancePicker. To celebrate with the Big Dance 2016 'Dance Decades' theme, DancePicker is running a prize draw for 10 lucky winners to receive the dance soundtrack to their decade. The bespoke prizes include a 10-track DancePicker selection worth over £50 along with a £10 gift voucher to download the music from the decade they were born. Thanks to the clever DancePicker app, you can find the perfect song or dance! It contains over 12,000 tracks so you can easily search for an artist, song, tempo or dance style.

For more information, visit: dancepicker.com

#### Volunteer

Big Dance is looking for volunteers to support its exciting London programme from May until September 2016. We can guarantee that you will have fun, meet new people and be thoroughly inspired by dance!

For more information and to register, visit: bigdance.org.uk/volunteering

