



## **Opportunity – Board Member, Leeds Dance Partnership**

### **Leeds Dance Partnership, February 2019**

Leeds Dance Partnership recognises and celebrates the wealth of high calibre independent dance professionals in our city. We understand the importance of ensuring the independent sector has a voice, and is represented throughout our programme development and delivery.

As such, we co-opt a new member of the independent community to our board every 12 months. We are currently recruiting for a new board member to join us for a 12-month term from April 2019 – 2020.

As a member of the Board you will be responsible for ensuring that we achieve our ambitions and provide the best possible outcomes for the dance sector in Leeds. In return you will gain experience of working on a nationally significant strategic project.

Following our successful Ambition for Excellence grant from Arts Council England, this is an exciting time to join the Board as we launch new projects and commissioning opportunities for the dance sector in Leeds and beyond.

Leeds Dance Partnership is an unincorporated consortium of organisations with a shared set of values and aims for the dance ecology in Leeds. The partnership is led by a board with representatives from Northern Ballet, Yorkshire Dance, Northern School of Contemporary Dance, Leeds Playhouse, Phoenix Dance, Leeds Beckett University and a co-opted member of the Independent Dance Community. The work of the partnership is supported by a Partnership Director and Programme Manager who are hosted by Northern Ballet.

Leeds Dance Partnership positively welcomes applications from all sectors of society.

### **Fee**

An honorarium of £100 will be paid per meeting for your time and to cover any expenses.

### **Commitment**

The partnership board meet bi-monthly for 2 hours in Leeds. Meeting dates are provided in advance. 2019 scheduled meetings are 10am – 12 noon on the following dates: Friday 26th April, Friday 5th July, Friday 20th September and Friday 29th November.

You will be expected to attend all Board meetings. Meeting papers will be sent at least one week in advance.

You may be asked to attend additional meetings, working groups or to represent the partnership at events. Should this be the case, a fee for your time will be negotiated for this additional work.

### **Person Specification**

- Experience of working professionally in dance with a specific interest in the Leeds dance sector (including in performance, choreography, teaching and community).
- A passion and enthusiasm for collaborative working.
- Possess tact, diplomacy and excellent interpersonal and communication skills.
- Have an openness and willingness to work within the framework and values of the Leeds Dance Partnership.
- Ability to be an advocate for Leeds Dance Partnership within the dance sector and beyond.

### **Further Information**

Applicants do not need to have previous experience of being a board member. You will be supported by the Partnership Director to understand your responsibilities on the board and to effectively fulfil the role.

For more information, or to ask any questions, please contact our Programme Manager, Jenny Sullivan at [jenny@leedsdancepartnership.com](mailto:jenny@leedsdancepartnership.com)

### **To Apply**

Please email your C.V. and a statement (no longer than 1 side of A4) describing:

- Why you are interested in this opportunity
- How you meet the Person Specification
- Any further skills or experience you would bring to the Board

Applications should be emailed to [jenny@leedsdancepartnership.com](mailto:jenny@leedsdancepartnership.com)

### **Deadline for applications: 12noon on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March**

We will respond to all applications and shortlisted applicants will be invited to an informal interview.