**Callout: Volunteers, Leeds Dance Open Day**

**Sun 19 September 2021**
**+ training day Sat 18 September 2021**

We’re seeking enthusiastic volunteers to support the Leeds Dance Open Day on Sunday 19 September, plus set up assistance on Saturday 18 September.

Volunteers will be based at Northern Ballet, Yorkshire Dance, Leeds Playhouse and Northern School of Contemporary Dance, helping in the smooth running of the Open Day.

**About the Leeds Dance Open Day**

The Dance Open Day will be free and open to everyone. Audiences will be able to visit dance performances, enjoy tours of venues, hear professionals talk about what they do and take part in dance workshops. We are focusing the activity around the locations of Northern Ballet, Leeds Playhouse, Northern School of Contemporary Dance & the Riley Theatre and Yorkshire Dance.

This free event will offer the people of Leeds and beyond the chance to come together as families and friends, across generations, to enjoy dance for a day. We want to welcome people back to dance - from visitors who may have never seen dance, to those returning to dance as regular audiences. There will be a variety of performances and activities for the public to watch and join in with.

**What you will be doing**

Volunteers will be expected to attend a training session on Saturday 18 September from 1pm – 5pm.

On the Open Day on Sunday 19 September, several shift patterns will be available:

Full Day: 10am - 5pm

Half Day, Morning: 10am - 2pm

Half Day, Afternoon: 1pm - 5pm

Volunteer tasks will include:

Artist Liaison

* Point of contact between LDP & the artist/community group
* Ensuring the artist/community group are in the right place at the right time
* Support the artist/community group, ensuring that they have what they need – water, snacks, access to facilities etc

Attendee Support

* Directing attendees so they can get to where they need to
* Be a source of information for attendees
* Support attendees in participating with activities, making them feel welcome and able to take part

Event Support

* Setting up and breaking down spaces, including cleaning spaces according to COVID-19 requirements
* General administrative tasks – printing, laminating, putting signs up
* Supporting the box office
* Providing social media support

Through discussion with the volunteer supervisor, volunteers will be given a choice of tasks depending on their existing skills and interests.

We ask that you attend a short induction before the event where you will have the opportunity to meet the volunteer team and learn more about your role on the day.

**What you’ll get**

Volunteering is a great way to get to know the Leeds Dance Partnership and the work we do. As a part of this opportunity, you will:

* Develop skills in event management and gain an insight into what running an event looks like behind-the-scenes
* Be reimbursed £25 to cover travel and food costs
* Be able to request a reference from the Volunteer Supervisor after the event

**Enquire and Express an Interest**

To express an interest in volunteering on the Dance Open Day please complete[**this form**](https://forms.gle/XyALHeXpJNXB2rMBA)**.**

If you would like more information, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Callum Holt on openday@leedsdancepartnership.com.