



Dublin Youth Dance Company DYDC is seeking expressions of interest from people who would like to join our Board. There are a limited number of places available. We would love to hear from you.

**Dublin Youth Dance Company (DYDC)** was established in 2002. It is Ireland’s flagship contemporary Youth Dance Company whose mission is to lead the development and delivery of high-quality contemporary youth dance in Dublin and nationally. It is a contemporary dance performance company and comprises three dance ensembles – Junior, Transition and Senior, ages ranging from 10-25 years. DYDC curates and hosts the annual Irish Youth Dance Festival (IYDF) & Gala, providing a national platform for Youth Dance with a growing international focus. Its vision is to cultivate distinct artistic voices through the creation and performance of transformative repertoire uniquely embodied by young artists. DYDC offers its dance members multiple platforms and opportunities to train, perform, choreograph and participate in an inclusive and diverse environment. DYDC/IYDF provides pathways of high-quality pre vocational training and ensemble performance for young dancers/aspiring dance artists, led by professional choreographers and dance artists/teachers extending the range and deepening the experience of their dancer selves.

Guided by its Strategic Plan ‘A Time to Grow’ 2023-2027 DYDC is at a pivotal moment of development as it step changes fully into a leadership role in contemporary youth dance in Ireland in terms of: pedagogy/ pre vocational dance training; national and international festival/dance platforms/collaboration; equality, diversity and inclusion, and significant partnerships with both the professional contemporary dance sector which stands very strong in Ireland, led by the newly formed National Dance Company *Luail*, and local authority, educational, voluntary and cross sectoral collaborations.

Dublin Youth Dance Company is funded by the Arts Council (under its Strategic YPCE/Young People, Children, Education stream). It is supported with project funding by Dún Laoghaire/ Rathdown Co Co and Fingal Co. Co. It is supported by Dance Ireland and Dance Theatre of Ireland.

**Commitment Required:**

Board Members of Dublin Youth Dance Company serve four years (EMMA TO CHEK), renewable to a max of two terms. DYDC is a Company Limited by Guarantee and a Registered Charity.

The Board of Directors meets 5 times a year for approximately 2 hours per meeting. Meetings are held in Dance Ireland / Dance House or online as agreed. There can be additional subcommittee meetings as required.

Directors' primary responsibility is to have legal and financial oversight of Dublin Youth Dance Company. They are supported by the Artistic Director and General Manager.

Current Board members are:

Kate Canning (Deputy Chair)  
Alan King  
Oran Leong  
Aoife Lucey (Retiring Director 2025)  
Emma Mahony (Company Secretary)  
Sharon Murphy (Retiring Chair 2025)  
Sinead Ryan

Further details

<https://www.dublinyouthdance.com/governance>

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Applications welcome from:

DYDC welcomes applications from everyone over 18 who are able to make their own legal decisions and who will have DYDC's best interests as their primary goal.

We are looking for committed, reflective people – including a new chair – with the following skills:

- Audit and Finance
- HR and Legal
- Contemporary Dance artist/producer
- Fundraising

We particularly encourage applications from under-represented voices/communities.

New Board Members will participate in an induction process.

Please send in a letter/email to Sharon Murphy (Chair) outlining the experience you would bring to the organisation and why you would like to join same.

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