

IRISH YOUTH DANCE FESTIVAL

AWARDS PLATFORM 2027

YOUR DANCERS.

YOUR STAGE.

YOUR FESTIVAL.

LIFFEY TRUST STUDIOS & O'REILLY THEATRE

25 - 27 JUNE 2027

WELCOME

The Irish Youth Dance Festival Awards Platform is designed to celebrate excellence in youth dance while providing meaningful performance, development and networking opportunities for dancers, teachers and choreographers.

Whether you are entering as a solo performer, part of a group, or representing a dance school, we look forward to welcoming you to an inspiring weekend of performance, learning and celebration.

IRISH YOUTH DANCE FESTIVAL & Awards Platform

FESTIVAL AT A GLANCE



FRIDAY
25 JUNE 2027

WORKSHOPS

LIFFEY TRUST STUDIOS

Train with experienced dance professionals across a range of dance styles including Hip Hop, Jazz, Contemporary and Commercial.

SATURDAY
26 JUNE 2027

AWARDS PLATFORM COMPETITION

O'REILLY THEATRE

Perform in a professional theatre environment and receive feedback from experienced industry adjudicators.



SUNDAY
27 JUNE 2027

IYDF WINNERS' SHOWCASE & GALA PERFORMANCE

O'REILLY THEATRE

Featuring:

- **Overall Awards Winners**
- **Guest Performers**
- **Selected Festival Participants**

A celebration of excellence in youth dance.



REGISTRATION INFORMATION

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION

Available until 15 December 2026

Registration Type	Fee
School / Company / Group	€100
Individual Participant	€15

STANDARD REGISTRATION

From 16 December 2026

Registration Type	Fee
School / Company / Group	€150
Individual Participant	€20

Please Note

Registration is non-refundable

Places are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis

Registration is only confirmed upon receipt of payment

KEY DATES

Date	Activity
15 December 2026	Early Bird Registration Closes
18 December 2026	Competition Entries Open
5 February 2027	Entry Deadline
5 March 2027	Entry Review & Invoice Check
31 March 2027	Music Upload Deadline

COMPETITION CATEGORIES

SOLO

1 dancer
Maximum Time: 2 minutes



DUET/TRIO/QUAD

2-4 dancers
Maximum Time: 2 minutes



SMALL GROUP

5-10 dancers
Maximum Time: 3 minutes



LARGE GROUP

11-20 dancers
Maximum Time: 5 minutes



ENTRY FEES

Category	Fee Per Performer Single Entry	Fee Per Performer Double Entry
Solo	€35	€45
Duet / Trio / Quad	€25	€35
Small Group	€20	€30
Large Group	€18	€28

Entry fees are in addition to registration fees.

DANCE STYLES

- **Contemporary / Lyrical**
- **Jazz / Modern**
- **Hip Hop / Commercial**
- **Open Category**

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LIFFEY TRUST STUDIOS



As part of the Irish Youth Dance Festival experience, participants can attend inspiring workshops led by experienced dance professionals.

Each workshop is designed to develop:

- **Technique**
- **Creativity**
- **Performance Quality**
- **Artistic Confidence**

WORKSHOP DETAILS

- **Between 11am-6pm**
- **Duration: 1.5 hours**
- **Open to all festival participants**
- **Places allocated on a first-come, first-served basis**
- **Advance booking recommended**

WORKSHOPS

WORKSHOP STYLES

LIFFEY TRUST STUDIOS

- **Hip Hop**
- **Jazz**
- **Commercial**
- **Contemporary**

Workshop styles, teaching faculty and timetable are subject to change.



WORKSHOP FEES

Classes	Cost
1 Class	€20
2 Classes	€35
3 Classes	€50
4 Classes	€70

Booking information will be shared at a later stage.

OVERALL AWARDS & PRIZES

Every Overall Winner Will:

- Perform at the **IYDF Winners' Showcase & Gala Performance**
- Receive a prestigious development prize
- Be recognised as a Festival Overall Winner

OVERALL SOLO WINNER

€500 Dance World Voucher
To be used towards dancewear, footwear, costumes & accessories.

OVERALL DUO/TRIO/QUAD WINNER

Profesional Dance Photography Session
Photoshoot in Dance Ireland Studios.
If unable to travel to Dublin, winners must provide a suitable studio location.

OVERALL SMALL GROUP WINNER

Profesional Choreography Package
6 sessions with a professional choreographer.
Travel expenses may apply depending on location.

OVERALL LARGE GROUP WINNER

Professional Promotional Dance Video
Professionally produced promotional video of up to 2.5 mins duration.
Ideal for: Auditions | Festivals | Social Media | Marketing & Promotion

WHY TAKE PART?

PERFORM
Showcase choreography in a professional theatre environment.

LEARN
Train with experienced industry professionals.

CONNECT
Meet dancers and teachers from across Ireland.

DEVELOP
Receive valuable feedback and professional development opportunities.

COMPETE
Perform for exciting prozes designed to support future artistic growth.

CELEBRATE
Be part of Ireland's national celebration of youth dance.



BOOKING CHECKLIST

- [ ] **Register your school or dancers**
- [ ] **Secure your place with the registration fee**
- [ ] **Submit entries by 5 February 2027**
- [ ] **Upload music by 31 March 2027**
- [ ] **Book workshop classes**
- [ ] **Join us for an unforgettable festival weekend**

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Register Early | Secure Your Place | Celebrate Dance

Early Bird Registration closes 15 December 2026

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