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National Youth Arts Wales

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contemporary dance days
2010

application deadline: 22.2.10



Contemporary Dance Days with Errol White

National Youth Dance Wales is delighted to welcome Errol White to lead a series of contemporary dance days for young dancers in Wales! Errol is a highly-regarded dancer and choreographer with an international reputation and, following a successful first year with National Youth Dance Wales (NYDW) in 2009, he is about to embark upon his second year as NYDW Guest Tutor and Choreographer.

Errol, an award-winning performer, trained at the Northern Contemporary Dance School and has performed with some of the UK's best known contemporary dance companies including Diversions - the Dance Company of Wales (now National Dance Company Wales), Phoenix Dance Company, Scottish Dance Theatre and X Factor. He has also performed internationally for many years, working alongside numerous, distinguished directors and choreographers.

Now Artistic Director of his own company (errol white dance company), Errol is forging a reputation as an exciting dancer/choreographer; he is in-demand as a guest lecturer in dance colleges throughout the UK, and also leads residencies and classes for professional dance companies.



Photo: Roy Campbell-Moore

Contemporary Dance Days (10am – 4pm)

Errol and his team will lead a series of contemporary dance days in locations across Wales during March 2010 (dates and locations are listed on the attached Application Form). Each full day will include: contemporary technique, creative work, and choreography (including repertoire from NYDW 2009 and errol white dance company). The sessions will build upon participants' existing dance skills and experience, and offer opportunities to explore a range of ideas through creative, contemporary dance. The sessions will also introduce participants to Errol's movement style, and to the expectations and standards required to become a member of NYDW.

Applicants must be aged between 14 – 21 years and able to demonstrate active involvement with dance at an intermediate/high level (see attached Application Form).

Application Forms should be completed and returned to **NYDW, 245 Western Avenue, Cardiff CF5 2YX**, together with 2 passport-size photographs (name and date of birth printed clearly on the back) and a cheque for £15 made payable to *National Youth Dance Wales*.

About National Youth Dance Wales

NYDW provides first-class training and performance opportunities for some of Wales' most-talented and committed young dancers. It harnesses the energy and excitement of young peoples' enthusiasm for dance and dancing, and channels it into a creative, contemporary force that celebrates the very best Youth Dance in Wales today.

NYDW has worked with some of the UK's finest, award-winning choreographers – including Wayne McGregor (Random Dance Company) and Henri Oguike (Henri Oguike Dance Company). It has also performed in some of Wales' most popular theatres (Clwyd Theatre Cymru in Mold, Theatr Brycheiniog in Brecon and Sherman Cymru, Cardiff) and at The Peacock Theatre in London. Last summer, NYDW joined forces with Cardiff's Arts Active, National Dance Company Wales and WNO Max for summerdance 09 at the New Theatre in Cardiff, and performed in National Dance Company Wales' Youth Dance Gala at The Dance House in Cardiff in December 2009.

"It's me on stage giving everything I have. It's a reflection of our passion for dance and it's an adrenaline rush!"

Grace Goulding – NYDW 2009

Watch the DVD!

Every school, college and community dance organisation across Wales has received a DVD about NYDW – demonstrating what it is, who it's for and how to get involved. Ask your dance teacher/leader or PE teacher to show it to you and your friends!

NYDW is part of National Youth Arts Wales – a celebration of Wales' finest young performers, who are eager to share their energy, enthusiasm and considerable skills with as many people as possible, as they *Perform for Wales!*



Application for NYDW Contemporary Dance Days 2010

Please print all information

All information given on this application form will be stored on the National Youth Arts Database. From time to time we may wish to pass your contact details to other carefully screened arts organisations.

If you do **not** wish us to do this, please tick this box:

Surname: _____ First name(s): _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age (years/months): _____

Home address: _____

Town/City: _____ Post code: _____

Local Authority: _____ Home Phone Number: (_____) _____

Mobile Number: _____ E-mail Address: _____

School/College/University : _____

Term address (if different from home address above):

Local Authority: _____

Indicate with a ✓ the box(es) that apply to you

<input type="checkbox"/>	I have previously participated in a NYDW workshop or residency
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have previously seen a NYDW performance
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have not previously heard about NYDW

Preferred Location / Date

Please indicate your **first** and **second** choice location/date by writing 1 and 2 in the appropriate boxes

Gorseinon (6 March) Cardiff (7 March) Cardiff (13 March)

Carmarthen (14 March) Caernarfon (21 March) Rhosllanerchrugog (29 March)

Aberystwyth (30 March) Llandrindod Wells (31 March)

NYDW tries, where possible, to work in both English and Welsh; please ✓ your fluency in the Welsh language

Fluent (1st language) Fluent (2nd language) Comfortable/basic knowledge None

Is your first language other than English or Welsh? Language: _____



Indicate with a ✓ the box(es) that apply to you; *please delete or give further details as requested

<input type="checkbox"/>	I am studying dance full time	Name of College: Course:			
<input type="checkbox"/>	I am studying dance at school / FE College	*GCSE dance	*AS/A level dance	*BTEC / National Diploma	*Other (specify)

I regularly *attend/have attended dance classes in the following styles:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Contemporary	Name of dance school / teacher: Level:				
		*less than 1 year	*1 – 3 years	*4 – 6 years	*6 – 10 years	*10+ years
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ballet	Name of dance school / teacher: Level:				
		*less than 1 year	*1 – 3 years	*4 – 6 years	*6 – 10 years	*10+ years
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please specify)	Name of dance school / teacher: Level / number of years:				

<input type="checkbox"/>	I have attended other dance courses and/or taken part in dance performance projects
Give brief details:	

How did you hear about NYDW?			
<input type="checkbox"/>	school/college	<input type="checkbox"/>	NYDW performance
<input type="checkbox"/>	community dance organisation (eg. Rubicon Dance, Dawns i Bawb, TAN Dance, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	direct mail from NYDW
<input type="checkbox"/>	youth dance group	<input type="checkbox"/>	NYAW website
<input type="checkbox"/>	private dance school	<input type="checkbox"/>	another website (specify):
<input type="checkbox"/>	theatre/arts centre	<input type="checkbox"/>	newspaper/radio/TV
<input type="checkbox"/>	library/community centre/leisure centre	<input type="checkbox"/>	from a friend

Your application must be supported by someone who knows you and your interest in dance (it could be your Head Teacher, Teacher or Dance Leader)

Name of Referee: _____ Profession: _____

Contact Address: _____

Day-time Telephone: _____

We may contact your referee, please ensure that all details are correct.

Signature of candidate: _____

Date: ___/___/___

Please return the completed application form, your cheque and two photos to the following address by **22 February 2010**:

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