

Big Dance 2012

This is your opportunity to be involved in the Cultural Olympiad and the London 2012 Olympic celebrations.

Jacqueline Rose, the Director of "Big Dance", recently gave a presentation to the Awarding Organisation members of the Council for Dance Education and Training, explaining how dance will play a huge part in the Cultural Olympiad and throughout the 2012 Olympic celebrations not just in London but around the UK, starting with the arrival of the Olympic flame and culminating at the Olympic games.

"Big Dance" has established regional co-ordinators and would welcome input from all dance teachers and their pupils and students. If you would like to get involved please visit the Big Dance 2012 website for news and links to your regional organiser www.bigdance2012.com



Big Dance is the ultimate dance experience. It is a biennial UK-wide celebration of dance with 9 days of dance events in unusual places— shops, parks, galleries, lidos, beaches, palaces and museums.

The next Big Dance will take place with Big Dance Week from 7-15 July 2012 and includes a countdown period to warm-up the nation that starts with a World Record attempt on 18 May 2012. As part of the London 2012 Festival, the culmination of the Cultural Olympiad, Big Dance is the opportunity to celebrate all dancers and all types of dance across the UK as the eyes of the world turn to the entire country for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Big Dance is co-ordinated by a network of leading dance organisations known as the Big Dance Hubs: in London by East London Dance, English National Ballet, Greenwich Dance, Sadler's Wells and Siobhan Davies Dance and across the regions in England by Dance4, Dance City, DanceEast, Dance South West, DanceXchange, Merseyside Dance Initiative, South East Dance and Yorkshire Dance. Big Dance Hubs and plans for activity in Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales are also underway.

Hundreds of ways to be involved!

Everyone is invited to join in whether it's planning and running an event; taking dance classes; performing in showcases; attending dance photography workshops; competitions; joining the Big Dance Schools Pledge, choreographing for film; promoting your existing dance classes and events; breaking a world record or watching something new and exciting – we're sure there will be something for you. For more information, visit our website and register to receive our monthly emails.

www.bigdance2012.com

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