

LEAP – Learn Engage Aspire Perform Shifting dance perspectives in primary education

FREELANCE DANCE PRACTITIONER, BEEE CREATIVE CIO

April 2023 to July 2025

BEEE Creative exists to connect communities to cultural opportunities. We are looking for five enthusiastic dance practitioners, experienced in leading workshops in primary school settings, to join us in a new dance and digital development project in Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire.

We are keen to forge meaningful and lasting links with practitioners locally in Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire, who are interested in dance and digital technology work and how this creative exploration is a tool to engage pupils in learning. This particular opportunity is about connecting with people who specialise in education, learning and participation, to support the delivery of our *LEAP* project – collaborating with six Primary Schools. Selected practitioners will work alongside BEEE Creative, our partner lead artists and schools, developing schemes of work delivered through a series of school residencies, CPDL workshops, resource development and a final festival in 2025.

We are seeking applications from dance artists/practitioners to work on this project.

Salary: Fees calculated at £30 per hour / £200 per day

Hours: Freelance

Location: TBC but include Bedford, Borehamwood and Central Bedfordshire

To apply for this position, please send an application form and a copy of your CV to <u>carrie@beee-</u> <u>creative.co.uk</u>

Closing date for applications: 12 noon, Friday 17 February 2023

Interview date: week commencing 6 March 2023 at Scott Primary School, Bedford (includes teaching a group)

Training and development days: mid to late March

Project Delivery: April 2023 to July 2025



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JOB DESCRIPTION

Post:	Freelance Practitioner – LEAP
Company:	BEEE Creative CIO
Line Manager:	Director – BEEE Creative
Contract:	Freelance
Salary:	Fees based on £30 per hour or £200 per day

PURPOSE OF THE POST

The Freelance Dance Practitioner will be responsible for inspiring confidence, creativity, energy and enthusiasm in the participating schools, giving everyone involved – students and teachers alike – the opportunity to develop dance and digital skills, broaden perceptions and understanding of dance and digital technology. The practitioner will receive training with our partner lead artists, and work collaboratively alongside an artist of another art form, to develop and deliver engaging dance and digital workshops in 6 primary schools over the course of year one of the project. You will need to be confident in delivering the digital element alongside dance – using the intersection of the two disciplines to inspire movement and creativity. This will include apps for animation, photography, Augmented Reality, music production and creating installations. Alongside the partner artists you will develop teaching resources, and provide mentoring/training for school teachers to gain confidence in dance delivery in their school in to year two of the project.

LEAP is a project development of BEEE Creative's work, sharing learning of the positive impact of dance and digital co-creation, adapting it for school delivery. The project is offered to support schools in modelling a high quality dance provision that then forms part of a clear development strategy for the school curriculum.

MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES

Year 1 (March 2023 - March 2024)

- To attend and participate in 5 days of training (paid) one day with each lead company to prepare a scheme of work for each half term.
- 1 day planning with other delivery artists to prepare warm-ups, movement content/approach and cross referencing with the National Curriculum requirements.
- 1 day equivalent training in developing resources for schools.
- 5 days to support the creation of resources for schools.
- Delivery of 6-week schemes of work (artists' residencies) in school
- Co-delivery of CPDL workshops for teachers.

Year 2 (2024 - 2025)

- Mentoring of teachers.
- Supporting schools to develop something to share at a final festival.

Ongoing / General

- To undertake monitoring and evaluation of project work in accordance with the evaluation framework.
- To contribute to the marketing and publicity of the project through proactive social media activity.
- To attend meetings with the team as laid out in the schedule, relating to the planning, delivery and production of the project activities.
- Such other duties and responsibilities as required as appropriate to the post.



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THE POST HOLDER MUST:

- At all times be committed to the BEEE Creative Safeguarding policy and hold a Enhanced DBS Certificate
- Adhere to all policies and procedures relating to Health and Safety in the workplace

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
DANCE PRACTITIONERS:		
Training in dance		
3 years experience working in school settings		
Choreography experience		Х
Experience working with digital - apps		Х
Experience of co-creation and working collaboratively e.g. with artists of other art forms		X
Knowledge of the KS2 curriculum		Х
WORKING REQUIREMENTS:		
Ability to work independently, exercising initiative	Х	
Ability to work systematically and use time efficiently and productively		
Ability to work co-operatively with others within a small team		
Ability to be flexible and adaptable		
Excellent communication skills		
Excellent organisational skills		
Willingness to work longer term across Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire		Х
Compliance to ensure safe, inclusive and welcoming working environments that adhere to health and safety, safeguarding, equality and diversity		
DBS Enhanced disclosure check		
First Aid certificate	X	Х
Public liability insurance		
Registered sole trader		

The above list is not exclusive or exhaustive and the post holder will be required to undertake such duties as may reasonably be expected within the scope of the post. All members of staff are required to be professional.

Applicants for this role must be eligible to work legally in the United Kingdom. If you do not have the necessary permissions will not be able to consider your application.



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ABOUT BEEE CREATIVE

BEEE Creative is a small arts charity working across Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire. We connect artists, practitioners and cross-sector partners to optimise opportunities for people to access and enjoy the benefits of dance. Our work reaches a broad demographic with participants ranging in age from a few weeks old to 100+ years old and includes people living with disabilities, long term health conditions, mental health conditions or sensory impairments.

We devise and deliver bespoke projects that identify and address barriers to participation to meet the needs of local communities including structural inequalities such as socio-economic disadvantage. Additionally, we service the dance sector as a whole at a local level by supporting, developing and investing in local artists, interns, volunteers and county initiatives, encouraging new collaborations and coordinating and sharing good practice. We build strong artist networks, enable interns to progress their dance careers and engage with schools, museums, local councils, organisations, cultural venues and community groups through activities inspired by dance.

BEEE Creative works within communities to bring their unique and moving stories to life by co-creating dance with local communities that showcase the diverse experiences and achievements of local people. It is important to us that our participants voices and contributions are heard and valued.

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ABOUT LEAD ARTISTS

MakeAmplify Specialists in art and technology https://www.makeamplify.co.uk

Controlled Frenzy

Specialists in creative technology (phototyping, research and development): <u>https://www.controlledfrenzy.co.uk</u>

Tom Hobden Specialist in dance and digital practice https://weareunit.co.uk/about/

Flicker Mill

International animation studio and filmmakers <u>https://flickermill.com</u>

Sam Ivin Photography specialist in exploring social issues through photography http://www.samivin.com

Hannah Delaney Specialist dance practitioner https://www.hannahdelaneydance.co.uk