**Associate Programme 2020/21**

Ballet Cymru’s Associate Programme is designed to compliment students’ existing dance training, and aims to give young, talented ballet dancers the opportunity, understanding and insight into what life as a professional dancer may entail through a closer and more regular working relationship with Ballet Cymru. Ballet Cymru is an inclusive company and welcomes applications from young dancers with disabilities and individuals with protected characteristics.

The programme runs monthly on Sundays from September to July at Ballet Cymru’s dance studios in Newport, and is available to boys and girls from the ages of 11+\*. It works on 2 levels:

1. Mid Associates: aged 11 – 13
2. Senior Associates: aged 14 + (\*Age from 31st August 2020)

Ballet Cymru Associates will have the opportunity to work with the professional dancers, Artistic Directors and guest teachers of the company. Each session will consist of a ballet technique class, followed by pointe work/male coaching (where appropriate), repertoire and creative work. **Pointe work is a prerequisite of the course.** Over the duration of the course, Associates will learn work from Ballet Cymru’s repertoire, as well as develop choreographic skills by working with creative and explorative tasks.

**Associate Dates:**

2020

18th October

15th November

13th December

2021

17th January

21st February

21st March

18th April

16th May

20th June

18th July

31st July – performance

\*Additional dates may be added around performance time and notification will be given for any changes in dates.

Cost: £210

Associates will have performance opportunities in July at the Riverfront Theatre, Newport and will get priority booking for other Ballet Cymru dance courses.

Gaining a place onto our Ballet Associate programme will be by audition at the Ballet Cymru studio, Rogerstone Newport on **Sunday 13th September 2020.**

**Applications need to be received no later than 15th August 2020.**

To apply, please complete and return the following application form including a current ‘head and shoulders’ photograph and a ballet photograph of choice of the applicant. Do not send payment.

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| **Applicant Details** | | | | | | | |
| Forename: |  | | | | | | |
| Surname: |  | | | | Age and D.O.B: | |  |
| Address: |  | | | | Postcode: | |  |
| Phone (home): |  | | | | | | |
| Mobile: |  | | | | | | |
| E-mail |  | | | | | | |
| Ballet School: |  | | | | | | |
| Brief dance history (please include current ballet grade, syllabus studied and pointe experience): | |  | | | | | |
| **Parental / Guardian consent (if under the age of 18)** | | | | | | | |
| Name of parent/guardian: | | |  | | | | |
| Contact No: | | |  | | | | |
| Emergency Contact No. (if different): | | |  | | | | |
| How did you hear about this activity? | | |  | | | | |
| **Please return the completed form & photograph to:**  **Amy Doughty, Ballet Cymru Associates** | | | | Email: **amydoughty@welshballet.co.uk** | | | |
| Post: **Ballet Cymru Associates**  **Ballet Cymru, Unit 1, Wern Industrial Estate, Rogerstone, Newport NP10 9FQ** | | | | | | | |
| Please select your preferred method of correspondence: | | | | | | Email: | |
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| **Please complete and return by latest 15th August 2020. Please do not send any payment with this application. Payment details will follow if successful in gaining a place on the course.** | | | | | | | |

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