



dawns**i**bawb

Post: Dance Development Practitioner (please note – the ability to speak Welsh is essential for this post but we welcome applications from Welsh learners who are committed to developing their Welsh language skills)

Job Details:

Title:	Dance Development Practitioner
Hours: required)	Part Time – 18 hours per week (evening and Saturday work will be
Duration:	1 year contract
Salary:	£26,000 pro rata (£13,000)
Remit: Caernarfon	Gwynedd, Conwy and Anglesey, with main base at Galeri,
Start Date:	As soon as possible
Application Deadline:	22.04.22
Shortlisting Notification:	25.04.22
Interviews & Audition:	4 & 5 May

The Company:

Dawns i Bawb is a registered charity and a Company Limited by Guarantee. The Company was formed in 1988 and is based at Galeri, Caernarfon. Dawns i Bawb is a Portfolio Client of the Arts Council of Wales and also receives funding from Gwynedd, Conwy and Ynys Mon County Councils.

As the Community Dance organisation for North West Wales, Dawns i Bawb develops dance provision throughout the three counties of Gwynedd, Conwy and Ynys Mon. We collaborate and create with people and communities, amateur and professional dance practitioners, choreographers, and companies.

We believe that anyone can dance and strive to advocate the benefits of dance to our communities within the context of personal growth, health and well-being, social and community interaction and cultural identity.

We aim to:

- **Inspire creativity**
- **Ensure and maintain relevant provision across the three counties**
- **Advocate dance as a powerful medium through which important issues can be addressed**
- **Ensure response to our communities by offering high quality Welsh language and bilingual dance provision**



We work with people of all ages and abilities, giving everyone the opportunity to take part in dance activity. Our strands of activity include working on large scale productions with large groups to small group sessions with a few individuals. Regardless of group size or length of activity, our objective remains the same: to offer high quality dance activity that is accessible to all that wish to be involved and through which participants can explore and experience dance and movement. These strands of activity include:

- Regular community classes for all ages and abilities
- Regular activity with Primary and Secondary Schools
- A Dance for Care Homes Programme
- Specific projects with relevant community groups and organisations including Conwy Culture Centre, Dementia Actif Gwynedd and Conway Centres
- An annual Community Dance production

- An extensive 'Dance for Health' programme including arts on prescription, dance for people that are living with Dementia and Parkinsons, mental health and well-being and a 'Dance Care Package' for schools
- Performance companies for adults with disabilities and for people living with Dementia and their carers

The communities that we work with consist of both rural and urban areas that have a strong, cultural identity and a high percentage of Welsh speakers. Our aim as an organisation is to respond to and provide activity that is relevant to our communities. Therefore, it is essential to us that we can offer a provision through the medium of Welsh or bilingually and it remains a priority that our participants are able to work creatively through their first language. Dawns i Bawb works primarily through the medium of Welsh and has a strong Welsh language policy and ethos in all aspects of our work.

Post Specification:

Dawns i Bawb is looking to appoint an enthusiastic and skilled Dance Development Practitioner to support us in delivering our exciting and expanding Community Dance Programme. The Dance Development Practitioner will work closely alongside the Artistic Director, Administrative Manager, Dance Co-ordinator and a small team of other Dance Development Practitioners to deliver dance activity for people of all ages and abilities across North West Wales.

Responsibilities will include:

- Lead sessions on Dawns i Bawb's Community Dance Programme including weekly sessions for children and adults, work in schools, Care Home Dance Programme and Dance for Health Programme plus commissioned projects in a variety of settings
- Work alongside the whole team to best deliver an exciting and innovative programme that responds to Dawns i Bawb's mission and Business Plan
- Create choreography with people of all ages and abilities
- Support the development of projects and the vision of the Artistic Director
- Co-ordinate own planning for delivery
- Oversee communication with clients/participants/parents/carers
- Work with the team to promote sessions and projects
- Advocate for Dawns i Bawb at external events
- Work collaboratively with all team members to achieve organisational goals
- Collate attendance data and evaluation records for Board and funding reports



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Dance hit at home

EXPERT SESSIONS AT DEMENTIA CARE CENTRE DELIGHT RESIDENTS

Residents at a dementia care centre in Cardiff have enjoyed a series of dance sessions led by a professional dancer. The sessions, which are held weekly, have been a great success, with many residents enjoying the music and movement. The sessions are led by a professional dancer, who has been working with the centre for several months. She has found that the sessions are a great way to help residents with their memory and mood. The sessions are held in a room with a large screen, which displays the music and the dancer's movements. The residents are encouraged to follow the dancer and to move to the music. The sessions are a great way to help residents with their memory and mood. The sessions are held in a room with a large screen, which displays the music and the dancer's movements. The residents are encouraged to follow the dancer and to move to the music.

Cardiff, 16.05.2018

Required Skills:

A Degree in dance **or** at least 2 years experience working as a dance practitioner in a community settings (we are keen to hear from new Welsh speaking dance graduates and are therefore willing to offer leadership training as part of the probation period)

The ability to communicate through the medium of Welsh (we welcome applications from Welsh learners)

Ability to work collaboratively and as part of a small team

Strong interpersonal and communication skills

Ability to adapt to changing demands and challenges

Ability to work efficiently and towards deadlines

Ability to take initiative

Competent in IT and in using social media

Have a clean driving licence and use of own car (we would be willing to consider non-drivers but applicants would need to be able to prove to us that travelling across the three counties to different sessions would not be an issue)

Working at evenings and on Saturdays is required for this post

To apply:

Please send the following as part of your application:

- **A letter outlining your qualifications and/or previous experience and what you feel you can offer to this post**
- **An updated CV**
- **Contact details for two referees**

If you are shortlisted for an interview, you will be required to lead a 30 minute workshop with a small group of participants.

Please send your application to:

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Artistic Director

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