



Moving Together Creative Dance Company is seeking a Freelance Community Dance Practitioner for a maternity cover post.

We are looking for an enthusiastic and experienced dance practitioner to deliver our current over 55s offer in a number of locations around Leicestershire and Northamptonshire. The applicant will have a passion in dance practice for older people, the ability to enthuse and inspire participants, and will be a confident leader.

The below job pack includes more detailed information about Moving Together, the job description and personal specification. For any queries please do not hesitate to contact Emily Jackson on info@movingtogether.co.uk

ABOUT MOVING TOGETHER

Moving Together is a creative dance company based primarily in Leicester. We have been operating in the community and education dance sector for over 9 years, with established partnerships and programmes for people of all ages.

Education provision

We work closely with Primary and Secondary schools, colleges and universities to deliver a series of practical and theoretical dance provision as part of the PE curriculum, BTEC/HND curriculum, and Arts Award qualifications. Our long-standing partnerships with mainstream and SEN schools have allowed us to embed our delivery within the curriculum, developing children and young people's experience of dance practice and wider arts appreciation. Through our affiliation with De Montfort University we are able to offer participants age 11+ the chance to complete the nationally recognised Arts Award qualification on campus each week, increasing their practical dance skills and providing a bridge between school and higher education.

Over 55s provision

Pre-Covid, we delivered 12 over 55s dance classes across the East Midlands, allowing a cohort of 250 participants to access fitness-based sessions each week in a variety of community and theatre venues. We managed to maintain our delivery online over the past 7 months, and are phasing return to a number of these locations currently. We partner with Curve Theatre in Leicester and The Core Theatre in Corby to deliver these workshops, and lead a Senior Dance Company who develop their technique and practice for performances across the region.

Aakash Odedra Company

We partner with the internationally known Aakash Odedra Company as their Education Producers, developing opportunities for participants to access dance opportunities in Leicester, The Midlands, nationally and internationally. Our most recent projects have focused on areas such as dance and diabetes, overseeing the Shiamak Dance provision, and developing Aakash Odedra 2 pre-professional company.

JOB DESCRIPTION

Position: Freelance Community Dance Practitioner - Maternity Cover

Rate of pay: £35-£40 per hour dependant on experience

Contract: Freelance, 6 months (26 weeks)

Start date: Week commencing 11th January - week ending 9th July 2021

Work location: Venues in Leicester, Melton Mowbray, Market Harborough, Corby

Reporting to: Moving Together Manager

Job Role:

We are looking for an experienced practitioner to plan and deliver our weekly classes to our over 55s community. Classes are hosted at the below locations and times, and are delivered weekly through the course of the year.

Classes:

Melton Mowbray Over 55s - Monday 10:30am-11:30am

Curve Theatre Over 55s - Tuesday 2pm-3pm

YMCA Leicester Over 55s - Wednesday 2pm-3pm

Market Harborough Over 55s 1 - Thursday 10am-11am

Market Harborough Over 55s 2 - Thursday 11:30am-12:30pm

Corby Over 55s - Thursday 2pm-3pm

As part of your role you will be expected to plan appropriate content to engage and inspire our over 55s community consisting of but not limited to warm up exercises, zumba-style routines in a variety of dance genres, main phrases with small creative opportunities, and cool downs. You will be required to deliver these sessions in all locations, altering content to suit the needs of the participants where necessary. You will be representing Moving Together, building relationships with the participants and continuing to deliver the high quality long-standing provision for our over 55s community.

Alongside the planning and delivery of classes, you will be responsible for maintaining participant registers each week, reporting participant attendance to the Moving Together Manager, and abiding by and implementing company Covid-19 policies.

Person Specification:

You must have the following to apply for this role:

- Full UK Driving Licence
- Fully enhanced DBS check
- First Aid qualification
- Public Liability Insurance
- Registered as Self Employed with HMRC

Essential criteria:

- At least 2 years dance teaching experience
- Ability to teach a range of dance styles
- Excellent skills in communication and organisation in the day-to-day management of a dance class environment
- Ability to take on the responsibility for the health and safety of participants in each individual venue, inclusive of following and implementing appropriate Covid-19 regulations
- Ability to immediately adapt choreography/teaching approach to suit participants' needs, for example acknowledging alternative movements when necessary
- Ability to deliver a high-calibre, fun and accessible session with enthusiasm and energy
- Knowledge of an commitment to the principles of equality of opportunity

Desirable criteria:

- A recognised qualification in dance

How to apply:

To apply, please send your CV and cover letter giving information about your relevant experience to info@movingtogether.co.uk Please note cover letters should be no longer than 2 pages, should clearly explain how you meet the job specification and essential criteria, and why you would like to work for the company.

Applications will close at 9am Friday 13th November 2020.

If your application is successful at the first stage, we will invite you for an interview and class delivery observation where we will require you to deliver a 45 minute over 55s session to 6 participants. This will take place on Monday 16th November 2020.

You will then be informed on the outcome by Wednesday 18th November 2020.

If you are offered the position, you will be required to attend 2 weeks class shadowing on the following dates:

Wednesday 2nd and 9th December 1pm-2pm and 2.30pm-3.30pm - YMCA Leicester

Thursday 3rd and 10th December 10am-11am and 11.30am-12.30am - Market Harborough

Thursday 3rd and 10th December 2pm-3pm - Corby

This training period will be paid at the above rate per hour.

Thank you for your interest, for more information contact info@movingtogether.co.uk or visit our website www.movingtogether.co.uk