



DRAFT JOB DESCRIPTION: Choreographer

### **VALLEYS DANCE INTENSIVE**

**Responsible to:** Direct line manager - the Director of CDW for contractual matters & Lowri Mair-Owen (Freelance Dance Support Worker) for onsite project issues.

**Job Purpose:** To provide dance and compositional experience working with 48 young people – approximately 8 from each of the 6 partner County Boroughs.

To design the choreography for a performance in the Dance Pavilion for the National Eisteddfod (Blaenau Gwent) lasting between 30 – 50 minutes (a slot of 1 hour has been allocated to the Stage Programme). NB. The music used must be in Welsh language or have no words at all).

This commission requires the choreographer to work daily from 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> August 2010 approximately 10am to 4pm (with the possible requirement of some extra hours (early evening) in team building session and/corporate hospitality). Followed by an afternoon performance on the Dance Stage at the Eisteddfod at 2pm on the 6<sup>th</sup> August 2010.

In addition, the appointed person would be required to be available for two auditions (morning & afternoon) at two locations to recruit young people to the project. The proposed date for auditions is the 3<sup>rd</sup> July.

**General:** Any dance style will be considered.  
The appointed person would be required to:

- represent Community Dance Wales and Valleys Dance on a professional basis at all times.
- ensure efficient working practices.
- adhere to all Community Dance Wales Policy including equal opportunities, children and vulnerable adults protection.

Support workers from each partner authority will be responsible for the young people for the duration of the project.

Two Dance Support workers will be available for additional support to the Choreographer (if required).

Place of work: Merthyr College, Merthyr Tydfil.

### **Person Specification**

#### **Specific Skills and Abilities - essential:**

- ⇒ Extensive knowledge and experience of excellent choreographic practice
- ⇒ Effective time management
- ⇒ Teaching and leadership
- ⇒ Enthusiasm
- ⇒ Driver with own car

#### **Experience:**

- ⇒ Of delivering a compositional dance piece within a short timeframe
- ⇒ Of working in an arts environment
- ⇒ Of working with young people

#### **Personal attributes:**

- ⇒ Good verbal skills
- ⇒ Self-motivated and able to motivate others
- ⇒ Ability to work on own initiative
- ⇒ Conscious listener
- ⇒ Organisational skills

### **Outline Terms and Conditions**

The commission is for 6 days

The contract is subject to satisfactory references.

The commission fee is £800 for the 6 day period.

Selection process: Candidates for the post should submit a CV and covering letter the Director of Community Dance Wales by 5pm on the 24<sup>th</sup> June, to the following address: **Community Dance Wales, Sbectrwm, Bwlch Road, Cardiff, CF5 3EF**

Shortlisting will take place on the 25<sup>th</sup> June and candidates will be contacted by telephone to confirm whether they will be invited for interview on the 28<sup>th</sup> June.

For further information contact the Director of Community Dance Wales.

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