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A WARM WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL

The London Vocational Ballet School is a full-time vocational classical ballet school for gifted children age 11-16 based in West London. At our school, we take immense pride in our position as a premier location for vocational ballet training, where we offer exceptional instruction in classical ballet and various dance disciplines. Our school delivers a hybrid model of outstanding vocational ballet training wrapped around excellent academic teaching.

Our primary objective is to equip students for full-time upper school ballet training. Our vocational training approach is centred on fostering technique, versatility, and musicality, all underpinned by discipline and creativity. We believe in the power of potential. Over the years, through careful nurturing, we have produced young people who go on to achieve excellence, be that in the performing arts industry or in the world of academia.

The school differs from other ballet schools in that it does not follow any exam syllabi, but focuses instead on building technique and musicality. This provides students with the chance to develop as dancers with a real sense of individuality and expression, underpinned by a pure technique. Small classes ensure each student receives intensive training and personal support.

Irrespective of a student's starting point, our commitment is to help each individual exceed their potential. We meticulously monitor each students' ability and progress to ensure a comprehensive and well-balanced curriculum that equally values both vocational and academic studies.

The London Vocational Ballet School's philosophy is to inspire in its students a love of learning, music and freedom of expression through dance. Skills gained through encouragement and discipline in the ballet and academic classroom can be applied to all aspects of their life beyond.

WHAT ARE WE LOOKING FOR

Following a significant period in the school's 18-year history, underpinned by its rebranding as LVBS and a significant capital development project allowing additional and upgraded facilities, the school is ready to take its next steps as part of its plan for growth. The board are seeking new **trustees** to join the board of directors. These trustees will ideally have skills in the areas of communications, publicity and PR and will have an interest or experience in the arts.

The Board of Trustees is collectively responsible for overseeing the activities of The London Vocational Ballet School, determining its future direction and fostering an environment in which the school's mission is achieved and the potential of all of its students is realised. The Board works to ensure that the school complies with the legislative, regulatory and best-practice framework within which English education and charities operate.

The incumbent trustees are active and meet quarterly. Additional subcommittee meetings take place where trustees are required to attend if applicable. The applicants will be fierce supporters of the school and its mission, attending and supporting events where necessary.

A commitment to education in the context of specialist vocational classical ballet training is essential, together with a commitment to diversity and inclusion.

Person Specification

The candidate must have:

- Significant experience and expertise in Comms/Publicity and PR
- Commitment to the Mission and Values of LVBS
- Willingness to meet the minimum time requirement to carry out the role described, estimated to be around 5 hours per month
- Understanding and acceptance of the legal duties and responsibilities of trusteeship
- Ability to work as a team

WHAT'S INVOLVED IN BEING A TRUSTEE

Reports To

Chair of Trustees/Board of Trustees

Time Commitment

Trustees are asked to commit to four Main Board meetings a year and four Subcommittees (2.5 hours). These meetings are currently held virtually.All trustees are expected to participate in discussions and make decisions as required.

Location

We are open to trustees from anywhere in the UK. Most meetings are currently held remotely.

Remuneration

This role is not accompanied by any financial remuneration although reasonable expenses may be claimed.

LVBS are committed to developing trustees and will invest in appropriate training.



NEXT STEPS

If you are interested in applying, please send an up-to-date, comprehensive CV and interest letter, explaining your suitability for the role to <u>recruitment@londonvocationalballetschool.com</u>. All applicants must have the right to work in the UK. Thorough safeguarding checks, including criminal records and reference checks in line with our safer recruitment policy, will take place before the position is offered to an individual. LVBS is committed to promoting Equality, Inclusion and Diversity within our recruitment process and encourages applications from candidates of all backgrounds.

If any candidate would like to have an initial discussion around the role, please contact us by e-mail.



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