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Sydney Dance Company To Hold Auditions



Sydney Dance Company has announced that it will hold Company auditions this October, for early and mid career male and female dancers aged 18 years and over. Applications are now open, until September 18.

Australia's leading contemporary dance company is the also the country's biggest contemporary dance employer, offering 16 highly coveted full-time dancer contracts each year.

And with almost half of the dancers currently in the Sydney Dance Company ensemble having had their first encounter with their employer as part of the audition process, there is no doubt that this is an incredible opportunity to become known and potentially launch a dream contemporary dance career.

Over the past six years Sydney Dance Company has held auditions approximately once every 18 months at their Sydney Harbour studios, as a way of meeting with the next generation of promising young dancers to emerge on the scene, as well as mid career dancers seeking a full time contract.

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Sydney Dance Company Artistic Director Rafael Bonachela says, *“Even if we don’t have contracts available immediately, this is often where I discover new dancers that I keep in mind for the future. It’s also a chance to give those who are just starting their careers ideas for their professional development, to point out the things that they need to keep working on to be ready to take on a full time contemporary dance career.”*

Applications are now invited from male and female dancers aged 18 years and over who are eligible to work in Australia, and wish to be considered for a position as part of the Sydney Dance Company ensemble.

All applicants must have a vocational qualification and professional experience in contemporary/classical dance.

Experience in task work with a professional choreographer, strong improvisation skills, high levels of stamina and flexibility, and an understanding of Sydney Dance Company’s creative outputs are also required.

Shortlisted applicants will be invited to attend the Company audition over two days, on the weekend of October 17 and 18, at Sydney Dance Company’s Studios.

This is an incredible opportunity to become known to Australia’s leading contemporary dance company, by presenting directly to Artistic Director Rafael Bonachela.

Note travel to Sydney is at the applicant’s own expense.

Apply now at sydneydancecompany.com/2015-company-audition

Applications close Friday 18 September 2015.

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Image: Sydney Dance Company's *Frame of Mind* featuring Cass Mortimer Eipper. Photo by Peter Greig

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ABOUT SYDNEY DANCE COMPANY

Sydney Dance Company is Australia’s leading contemporary dance company, presenting new works in Sydney, around Australia and internationally, under the Artistic Direction of Rafael Bonachela. Since 1985 the Company has been resident in purpose-built studios at Pier 4 in Sydney’s Walsh Bay, minutes from the city’s famed Harbour Bridge. Its studios house the largest public dance class program in Australia, attracting nearly 80,000 participants each year. A legendary force in contemporary dance in Australia, Sydney Dance Company will celebrate its 50th year in 2019.

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