

National Performing Arts Competition 2024

Dance – Commercial Hip Hop

Up to Entry Level 3



Timeline of Events

Performing Arts students are invited to take part in a national competition held at Derwen College on Thursday 2 May 2024

- Application deadline: Friday 12 February 2024 (click to apply)
- First round entries to be sent electronically by Friday 15 March 2024
- Successful entries will be informed by Friday 12 April 2024 and must be available for the live final on Thursday 2 May 2024

Entry Requirements

- Competition is open to all Performing Arts students from colleges of Further and Specialist education, and aged 16–25
- Competition is open for learners working at Entry Level 3 and below
- Categories: Solo Dance Piece and/or Group Dance Piece

Competition Task

Competitors are invited to take part in an exciting new national dance competition hosted by Derwen College. Join us to contend in a commercial hip hop style competition, based on the theme of the 2024 Paris Olympics. Routines can include various styles of street dancing, including breaking, popping, krumping, freezes, jazz, and gymnastics or any new social dance

Format of written submission of expression of interest to include:

- Name of dancer (solo category)
- Name of dance group (group category)
- Contact for lead of the performers
- Additional requirements

All entries to send in a video no longer than 3 minutes to be judged by a panel of industry professionals (judges tbc)

Finalists will then be invited to Derwen College to compete live in front of a panel of judges on Thursday 2 May 2024

Music for the performance must be supplied by the entrant – Bluetooth connection available or must be suitable for AUX device

Clean version of music must be supplied – no swearing

Marking and Assessment

Judging will be marked against the following criteria:

- Technique
- Musicality
- Choreography
- Overall performance
- Presentation

Negative marking will be given for exceeding 3 minutes.

Additional Information

- Competitors will perform at a timed slot given on the day
- Competitors will perform in their category – performance must be no longer than 3 minutes
- Three entries per category from each provision is accepted (individual students can enter as a solo and be involved in a group dance entry)
- No staff to be involved within the dance performance, however coaching away from performance space is allowed
- General props and gymnastic mats are allowed – please ensure this is indicated on entry form
- Competitors who arrive late for the event will not receive additional time
- The judges' decision is final
- Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed competitors in each performance category, all others will be awarded a certificate of participation
- Photographs taken during the event, may be used for marketing/publicity purposes. Students and staff attending the competition will be required to complete a form to confirm or deny consent to use their image
- Competitors must only receive agreed support that is outlined in their support statement. Support that is deemed to be outside that declared in the support statement could result in the competitor being disqualified from the competition
- Spectators / members of the audience are expected to treat all competitors with respect and refrain from making unnecessary noise or movement during the performances. However, once performances are complete, cheering and encouragement are very welcome

Contact Details

For any further information, please contact Jessie Vaughan, Pathway Lead for Performing Arts at Derwen College: 01691 661234