

ARTIST OPPORTUNITY WITH FREESTYLERS

Freestylers are currently looking for dance artists to join our team and work with us on a new commission by CONTINUOUS Network x Unlimited.



Who we are

Freestylers are an ever-expanding team of artists. We are person-centred and disability-led. Our core members are: Adam Smith, Abdul Sabir, DJ Hassan, Francis Majekodunmi, Sherri King, Shola Cole Wilson, Roland Carline, Vicky Hawkins, Ben Myers, Rachel Gildea

Our work is about listening and learning from each other. The foundation of Freestylers is made of a team of people who have longstanding creative relationships built on care, support and trust. As our team is made up of artists with and without disability, we are often interrogating the idea of support and care because we believe it goes both ways.

Freestylers provide a space where people can be seen and become a part of a wider cultural conversation about race, class, identity, and gender which is shaping the future. We believe that everyone in our group is powerful, so we are passionate about finding ways to break

down conventional power structures and share ownership of our work. We want to celebrate individuals but challenge individualism in the arts.

We use performance and film to look for new and inclusive ways to communicate. We work in gallery spaces in the context of performance art. We want our spaces to feel relaxed and intimate. We want our audiences to be able to come and go, shout and make noise, and to join us when they want to.

The Project

We have been commissioned by the CONTINUOUS Network and Unlimited, in collaboration with Goldsmiths CCA and Corali Dance Company, to create a new live work to present in gallery spaces. We are looking for someone to facilitate, perform and contribute artistically to this work, which will be performed at Goldsmiths CCA (London), BALTIC (Newcastle), Tramway (Glasgow) and Bluecoat (Liverpool).



What we're looking for

Artists with performance skills specifically in Freestyle/Street dance styles. Someone who is adept, sensitive to and excited by working with a neurodiverse team of live artists.

We meet every Tuesday evening in South London for a freestyle session, so we are also looking for someone who would be excited by and committed to the opportunity to develop their own dance and performance research with us each week.

Freestylers will be prioritising Black and Asian Women artists for this role by way of supporting fully individual artists within the group.

What level of experience is needed

3-5 years Performance experience. Specifically in Freestyle/ Street dance contexts.

Experience of working or living in inclusive contexts with people with disabilities. (desirable but not essential).

Timeline

Our schedule has been changed due to covid 19. Currently dates are TBC.

Rehearsal dates and weekly sessions anticipated to restart April 2021
Roughly 2 weeks paid rehearsals plus performances spread over 2021/22.

Fees: £150 per day

Performance dates: premiere performance date currently will be in late September/early October 2021 Plus subsequent dates in 2022 TBC.

How to apply

Deadline for applications is: **30th April 2021 5pm**

Email Roly at roland.carline@raschools.org.uk with a short paragraph about yourself and why you are interested in the opportunity. Please send up to 3 web links with examples of your work.

Shortlisted applicants will be invited to join one of our Tuesday sessions so you can meet all the artists involved when it is safe to do so. Applicants will be selected by the group and contacted shortly after.

For more information on Freestylers please watch our film:
<https://vimeo.com/412790036>

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