

ENBYouthCo – Application Guidelines

Please find below further information about the ENBYouthCo application process and audition workshop.

About ENBYouthCo

Launched in 2012, English National Ballet's youth dance company, ENBYouthCo, has become one of the UK's leading companies in the youth dance sector. Its unique focus on both ballet and contemporary reflects the varied and diverse styles seen in English National Ballet's repertoire, and offers young dancers aged 14-19 the opportunity to connect with a world-class ballet company. In 2019, ENBYouthCo moved to English National Ballet's exciting new studios in east London, Mulryan Centre for Dance on London City Island.

English National Ballet aims for ENBYouthCo to:

- Be a representative for ballet in the youth dance sector;
- Provide a platform for young dancers to supplement their training;
- Offer support and mentoring for young dancers throughout their training;
- Provide high quality techniques classes, choreographic and performance opportunities;
- Provide access to a world-class national and international touring ballet company.

Working with a wide range of professional artists, and performing at a number of events and locations across London throughout each year, ENBYouthCo promotes innovation, personal creativity and commitment, while focusing on the development of each dancer's potential.

ENBYouthCo have weekly classes that run during the academic year from September – June. Each term also has approximately 2-3 additional Sunday intensives and ENBYouthCo dancers will be required at additional weekend rehearsals and performances as appropriate.

Who are we looking for?

English National Ballet are looking for dancers who will be **aged 14-18 on 1 September 2021**, who have experience in both ballet and contemporary dance and have an interest in developing their creative skills.

ENBYouthCo dancers meet weekly on Friday's between 6:30 – 8:30pm during term time, with up to four Sunday Intensives 10:00 – 17:30 each term at English National Ballet Mulryan Centre for Dance, plus performances in London.

We actively encourage young people from under-represented ethnic communities, those who identify as male dancers, and those residing in east London to apply.

Application and Audition Process

Dancers must submit a video response and written application to be considered and invited to the Audition Workshop, Dancers must be available for both audition dates. There is no charge for submitting and or attending the Audition Workshop.

Application

- Dancers who wish to be considered must complete our online application form here: <https://forms.gle/dJYRzd3H1XhKSDQF6>
- Applicants will also be asked to submit a video audition as part of their online application form. The video audition includes ballet exercises, a contemporary phrase and creative response. Watch the ENBYouthCo auditions information video [HERE](#) Password: ballet123

- Applications **close on Sunday 20 June 2021, 5pm**. Applications submitted after this date will not be considered.
- Applicants must upload a photo to their online form. The headshots do not need to be professionally taken, but must clearly show the dancers face as these will be used to help the panel identify dancers during the audition workshop.
- Dancers will be notified as to whether they have been invited to the audition workshop no later than Friday 2 July 2021 by email.

Audition Workshop

The ENBYouthCo Audition Workshop will take place at English National Ballet's studios on Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 August 2021, 10am – 5pm at the Mulryan Centre for Dance, 41 Hopewell Square, London E14 0SY.

- As part of the ENBYouthCo Audition Workshop dancers will take part in a ballet technique class and a creative contemporary technique class.
- Call backs will be made and we may ask some dancers to leave after their audition workshop.
- Dancers called back will take part in a creative dance workshop followed by a short interview with members of the audition panel. The interview is to get to know the dancers' personality and as an opportunity for both the panel and dancers to ask any questions that they may have.
- Dancers should bring clothing appropriate for both ballet and contemporary classes, along with warm layers.
- Dancers should ensure that they bring plenty of water and a packed lunch.
- Dancers will be notified as to whether they have been accepted to ENBYouthCo no later than Wednesday 1 September 2021 by email.

COVID-19 Guidelines

Due to current Covid-19 restrictions, social distancing will be taking place throughout the audition workshop days. Dancers will be asked to wear a face covering during the Audition Workshop and maintain a distance from one another in the studios. Regular hand washing will be encouraged.

Studio numbers will be limited and a one-way system will be in place throughout the building. If you have any concerns or questions on English National Ballet's social distancing policies then please email Engagement@ballet.org.uk

These guidelines are subject to review and may change, as they reflect guidance at the time of publication.

Fees

The annual membership with ENBYouthCo is **£330**.

Financial support is available, further information will be provided upon being offered a place with ENBYouthCo.

If you have any further questions regarding ENBYouthCo, the application or audition process, please visit www.ballet.org.uk/enbyouthco or email engagement@ballet.org.uk.