

**ENBYouthCo-nnect: English National Ballets young collective.
Application Guidelines & Information**

Please find below further information about ENBYouthCo-nnect and the application process for prospective young dancers to join us in September 2024.

ENBYOUTHCO-NNECT – Overview

ENBYouthCo-nnect is a one-year programme where young dancers work with ENBYouthCo-nnect Creative Director, Jo Meredith, and a team of dynamic and highly experienced professional artists. Designed for young dancers aged 13 -16 years the programme provides a unique training experience in ballet and contemporary dance technique, introducing choreographic skills and working towards opportunities for live performance.

For those with a minimum of 2 years dance experience, including either ballet or contemporary technique, and it is recommended to those looking for additional opportunities to enhance their choreographic and performance skills in a Company environment, in addition to their current training.

Age guidelines: ENBYouthCo-nnect prioritises dancers aged 13 – 16 years, however if you are above or below the age range with a minimum 2 year dance experience please contact us directly and if we have the capacity we would love to welcome you.

ENBYOUTHCO-NNECT – Annual Cohort

The annual programme takes place at ENBs home, Mulryan Centre for Dance, on Fridays at 6:15 – 7:45pm.

Dancers will work with the Creative Director and collaborate with professional Dance Artists, Choreographers, and Dancers of ENBYouthCo, to broaden their knowledge of dance technique and choreographic skills by taking part in supplementary classes and creative sessions; building confidence to perform alongside ENBYouthCo at ENB’s annual *RePlay* platform in March 2025 – an evening of dance co-curated with young people.

ENBYOUTHCO-NNECT – Core Annual Dates

These dates are subject to change and not all inclusive and therefore additional days and times may be required; set term dates are finalised 4 weeks before the term commences.

Autumn Term 2024 – Term 1

- Weekly Sessions: Friday 20 September – Friday 6 December 2024 [No session Friday 1 November]
- Theatre Visit – Sadler’s Wells: Confirmed *Akram Khan’s Giselle* Friday 27 September 2024

Winter/Spring Term 2025 – Term 2

- Weekly Sessions: Friday 17 January – Friday 21 March 2025 [No session Friday 21 February]
- Sunday Intensives: Sunday 19 January and Sunday 16 February 2025
- ENBYouthCo-nnect Perform: *Re:Play* at Mulryan Centre for Dance: Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 March 2025

Summer Term 2025 – Term 3

- Weekly Sessions: Friday 25 April – Friday 4 July 2024 [No session Friday 30 May]

APPLICATION

Dancers who would like to join ENBYouthCo-nnect must complete the application form [here](#).

- Deadline for application is Monday 9 September 2024, 10am.
- We will be in touch with all applicants of the outcome of their application by Friday 13 September 2024.
- Application forms must be completed and returned via the Google Form – if you have any problems, please email to engagement@ballet.org.uk with the subject line 'ENBYOUTHCO-NNECT APPLICATION FORM'.

Accessibility:

Dancers who identify as having an access need please email engagement@ballet.org.uk for further details.

FEES

The Annual Membership Fee is **£225**.

ENBYouthCo-nnect is a 1-year programme and the fee covers all activity listed above under core dates September 2024 – July 2025.

Instalment are available to all dancers, which is broken down into:

1. £75 upon registration
2. £75 on or by 29 November 2024
3. £75 on or by 31 March 2025

BURSARIES – Further Information

Bursaries are means-tested, with up to 100% of the annual membership fee and up to 100% of the summer intensive fee available for three young dancers.

Subject to availability and offer of full place bursaries, up to 25% of fees may be available to support those who live outside of Zone 6 (London).

By the offer of membership, you will have already shown a strong aptitude for dance and the potential and commitment. All bursary applications will be assessed using the framework below, bursary application information will be sent to final Company members when they are offered a place in the company.

Do I qualify to apply for up to 100% of the Annual Membership Fees?

This is available for those households whose total income is less than £32,728 in the tax year ending 5 April 2025, *and/or* for young dancers who are Pupil Premium or Pupil Premium Plus.

Do I qualify to apply for up to 25% of the Membership Fees to support travel?

If you live outside of Zone 6 you will be able to apply for up to 25% of your Annual Membership fee to be reduced.

How do I apply?

Bursary application information will be sent to prospective ENBYouthCo-nnect members when they are offered a place. You will be asked for a statement of proof and a supporting statement which will determine the percentage of funding.

How many are available?

One 100% Membership Fees are available, and two up to 100% Membership Fees are available to apply for. The amount of travel bursaries is subject to availability.

If you have any further questions regarding ENBYouthCo-nnect and or the application process, please email engagement@ballet.org.uk.