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AUSTRALIAN DANCE WEEK 2021



29 April | Australian Dance Week Launch

Join us on International Dance Day for the launch of Ausdance ACT's Australian Dance Week celebrations. To be officially launched by Minister for the Arts Tara Cheyne MLA, featuring performances by Mulleun Dreaming, Liz Lea Dance Company and Chip Lo.

11am - 12.30pm | Theatre Foyer, Belconnen Arts Centre, 118 Emu Bank, Belconnen

This is a FREE event however registration is essential via [Eventbrite](#).

29 April - 1 May | The Point presented by Liz Lea Dance Company & Belco Arts

The Point is a new full length dance work created and performed by a multi-national company of dancers from across Australia and India exploring and celebrating the interconnections in design, movement and music through the prism of light.

29 April @ 7.30pm, 30 April @ 7.30pm, 1 May @ 2pm & 7.30pm | Belconnen Arts Centre, 118 Emu Bank, Belconnen

For more information:
<https://www.belcoarts.com.au/point/>



29 April - 9 May | Come & Try Week at CDT

Would you like to experience classes offered at Canberra Dance Theatre? For new dancers, pay for your first class then try as many as you like for the next six days during Dance Week. Regular: \$26 / Concession \$21

Canberra Dance Theatre, 1 Kingsley St, Acton (cnr Barry Drive)

For more information:
canberradancetheatre.org

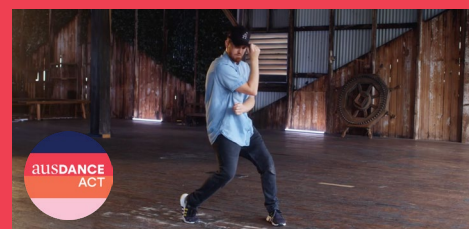


29 April | Jesse & Joel Rasmussen Online Masterclass Episode 3 Premiere

We are thrilled to premiere the final episode of our Online Masterclass with Jesse & Joel Rasmussen during Dance Week. These videos provide invaluable mentoring for young dancers considering professional careers. In this episode Joel shares a JFH combo. Learn it, film it, send it in and we will share it!

The video will be released on Ausdance ACT's Facebook page.

Send your video to:
act@ausdance.org.au



30 April & 7 May | Project Beats Dance Jam

Friday night jams are for dancers of all ages to meet up and DANCE! There are no classes, no coaching, no training. Just people coming together and enjoying the music and dancing.

7.15pm - 8.30pm | Project Beats Studio, 169 City Walk, Canberra

For more information:
<https://projectbeats.com.au/>



1 May | Interconnectedness Contact & Improvisation Dance Workshop

Join Debora Di Centa & Helena-Maria Da Costa for a FREE workshop that will explore the interconnection between the self and the other through Improvisation, Authentic Movement and Contact Improvisation Dance.

Open to beginners and experienced dancers (18 yrs+).

1.30pm - 4.30pm | Kaleen Community Hall, 28 Georgina Cres, Kaleen

For more information:
Canberra Contact Improvisation on FB



2 May | Ausdance ACT Love Dance

Love, in all its forms, takes centre stage at the National Portrait Gallery's *Australian Love Stories* exhibition. Enhance your exhibition experience with *Love Dance*. A celebration of dance as art and everyday practice. Pop up dance, highlighting local diversity, fills the space at the National Portrait Gallery in surprising and delightful ways, reminding us that dance can happen in any way at any place or time.

10.30am - 2.30pm | National Portrait Gallery, King Edward Terrace, Parkes

For more information:
<https://www.portrait.gov.au/>



2 May | Dance Northside Performance Team Showcase

Come and watch the Dance Northside Performance Team! Experience our community spirit with a raffle, bake sale and performances from our wonderful students during Dance Week.

12.30pm - 2.30pm | Kaleen Community Hall, 28 Georgina Cres, Kaleen

For more information:
<https://dancenorthside.com/>



2 May | RAD ACT/Riverina Gala

Gala performance night hosted by the ACT/Riverina Regional Advisory Panel and celebrating 100 years of the Royal Academy of Dance.

6pm - 8.30pm | The Playhouse, Canberra Theatre Centre

Tickets available from:
canberratheatrecentre.com.au



3 - 8 May | Free Trial Classes at Bom Funk

Sign up to trial FREE dance classes during Dance Week at Bom Funk! Available at both Jerrabomberra and Googong locations Monday 3rd May - Saturday 8 May. Conditions apply.

Bom Funk Dance Studios, Jerrabomberra & Googong

Register for your free class here:
www.bomfunk.com.au/trials



4 May | Ausdance ACT Industry Networking Morning Tea

What better time for our dance community to come together than Dance Week! Let's gather, learn about each other's work, exchange ideas and experiences. Dance studios, teachers, administrators, independent dancers, Ausdance members all welcome.

10.30am - 12pm | Main Hall, Gorman Arts Centre, 55 Ainslie Ave, Braddon

This is a FREE event however registration is necessary via [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com.au).



4, 5 & 7 May | Dance for Wellbeing

COME & TRY A CLASS FOR FREE!

A Belco Arts initiative, the Dance for Wellbeing program provides dance classes for ACT communities with Parkinson's and other conditions.

Remember dance does it all by providing a workout for body and brain!

4 May @ 1.15pm, 5 May @ 11.15am & 7 May @ 12pm | Belconnen & Tuggeranong Arts Centres

For more information: <https://www.belcoarts.com.au/wellbeing/>



5 May | Soul Defenders Australian Dance Party

Australian Dance Party creates timely, powerful and playful site-specific dance performances to inspire connection and change.

The Soul Defender is an urban artwork designed as a static stage, parade vehicle or crazy installation. It was a war machine (Army Mack R6x6 1984) converted to defend our souls with feel-good music, bubbles, fun lighting, banners and uplifting performances. Look out for its dance bomb going off in Dance Week!

12:30pm & 1:30pm | City Walk, Civic - near fountain/David Jones

For more information:
australiandance.party



BECOME A MEMBER

Become an Ausdance ACT member now to join the voice of dance in the ACT.

More information: ausdanceact.org.au

6 May | Ausdance ACT Free Open Class with Olivia Fyfe

Join an upbeat and energetic contemporary dance class. Incorporating technical exercises designed to challenge coordination and provoke a good belly laugh. You can also expect delicious travelling phrases, exciting foreign tunes, and silly improvisations. (Suitable for all adult dancers of all levels)

7.30pm - 8.45pm | Canberra Dance Theatre, 1 Kingsley St, Acton (cnr Barry Drive)

For more information:
ausdance.org.au



7 May | Trauma Awareness for Teaching Dance

Grow your dance teaching skills with this FREE training program, delivered by Companion House, commissioned by Ausdance ACT. Develop your understanding for teaching dance to people of all ages, from refugee/trauma backgrounds.

2pm - 5pm | Belconnen Arts Centre, 118 Emu Bank, Belconnen

For more information:
www.belcoarts.com.au/companion



8 May | Workshop with Tammi Gissell

This accessible First Nations workshop explores the role of accessing personal prehistory through the water(ways) of the internal and external terrains and how a working notion of ever(flow) informs composition and performance. (Suitable for 12 yrs+)

3pm - 4.30pm | Canberra Dance Theatre, 1 Kingsley St, Acton (cnr Barry Drive)

This is a FREE event however registration is essential via [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com.au).



9 May | Mundaguddah (Rainbow Serpent) Canberra International Music Festival

Of great significance to most Aboriginal nations in Australia is the story of the Rainbow Serpent. This concert brings together the musicians of Ensemble Offspring with iconic Indigenous artists. Featuring dancer Tammi Gissell in a new work titled 'Mundaguddah', commissioned by Ausdance ACT in partnership with Canberra International Music Festival.

12pm & 2pm | National Gallery of Australia, Fairfax Theatre, Parkes Place East, Parkes

For more information:
<https://cimf.org.au>



9 May | LGBTQI+ Elders Dance Club

Welcome to the May edition of the LGBTQI+ Elders Dance Club Canberra!

This fabulous FREE social event for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Gender Diverse, and Intersex elders and allies is a fun way to connect and learn new dances, enjoy delicious catering and chat with fab people in a COVID safe environment.

Come one, Come all! No dance experience needed. All are welcome!

1pm - 3pm | Ainslie Main Hall, Ainslie Arts Centre, 31 Elouera St, Braddon

For more information:
<http://www.agac.com.au/>



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