

LABAN GUILD DANCE LEADERS TRAINING SCHEME

In conjunction with Kildare County Council Arts Service

QUICK ANSWERS TO COMMON QUESTIONS

Q. WHAT DOES THE COURSE CONSIST OF?

A. 11 teaching weekends, plus an optional final assessment weekend, totalling 150 hours.
For the award: a minimum of 80% course attendance, a final satisfactory assessment and attendance at an approved summer course, together with the completion of assignments set after each weekend and a record of course work. 90% of a W/E's work is usually practical.

Q. HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE?

A. The course usually runs over about 15 months. A week end usually consists of Sat. 10.00am – 5.30pm and Sunday 10.00am – 4.00pm.
DATES: Practical information day, 26 January
W/Es: 2013: 9/10 March, 6/7 April, 11/12 May, 8/9 June, 14/15 Sept, 12/13 Oct, 23/34 Nov (mid-course assessment). 2014: 18/19 Jan, 15/16 Feb, 22/23 March, 26/27 April, 7/8 June (final assessment).

Q. CAN I SAMPLE THE WORK BEFORE APPLYING FOR A PLACE?

A. There will be a practical information day for everyone interested in the course on 26 January in Newbridge. It is most helpful to attend, even if you have already decided to apply.

Q. WHERE WILL IT BE HELD?

A. Newbridge, Co. Kildare.

Q. HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

A. The course will cost €1100.00, plus €95.00 registration and the cost of attending a summer school. Many people are able to get local funding for the course.
NB: The course can only run if numbers make it financially viable.

Q. WHEN DO I PAY?

A. The registration fee of €95.00 is payable to the Laban Guild on application. This will only be refunded in the event of the candidate not being offered a place. Staged payments of fees may be possible by arrangement with Kildare, but must be paid in full before weekend seven.

Q. WHAT ABOUT SUMMER SCHOOL?

A. A list of recommended summer schools will be provided. This cost is additional to course fees.

Q. CAN ANYBODY JOIN THE COURSE?

A. The course is not for beginners. You need good dance or movement experience and some experience of teaching or community work, plus a reference.

Q. SO, WHAT SORT OF PEOPLE COME ON THIS COURSE?

A. All sorts of people, providing they have the necessary experience and love of dance. There are usually quite a few teachers and dancers, but others may do anything. Recent course members have included drama specialists, psychotherapists, physiotherapists, artists, social workers.

Q. WHAT WILL I GAIN FROM IT?

A. THE COURSE will give you a practical grounding in 3 modules: Laban Analysis, Teaching Styles and Strategies, Dance Making and Choreography - through a wide range of dance experiences. There are also modules on Leadership, Marketing, Safe Exercise and Duty of Care. Most of the course is practical. THE EXPERIENCE is acclaimed by course members as being of the greatest value in their work, whether teaching, choreographing or performing, and in their personal lives, through enhancing self-confidence, communication skills and self awareness.
THE AWARD is a UK National Governing Body Award, rated at Level 3/4. It gives access to further training and places your name on the Laban Guild Dance Leaders Register, making you eligible to apply for insurance.

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