

**COIS
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DANCE**



**COISCÉIM DANCE
THEATRE
IN RESIDENCE
ST PATRICK'S
COLLEGE
DRUMCONDRA**

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COISCÉIM DANCE THEATRE

In residence

CoisCéim's residency at St Patrick's College is now in its third year and runs from October 2015 to June 2016. Working with the Physical Education Unit, the company will lead a range of dynamic initiatives for students, to develop their experience of dance as a performing art form and a creative learning activity.

CoisCéim Dance Theatre is one of Ireland's leading dance companies. Founded in 1995, CoisCéim's style of performance is contemporary and vibrant, with a knowing regard for the everyday. Artistic Director David Bolger embraces a selection of dance styles to articulate stories and emotions that are relevant to the landscapes in which we live. The scale of the company's work ranges from duets in a hotel bedroom, *Chamber Made*, to the large scale spectacle, *A Dash of Colour* (which was seen by millions on television and involved over 75,000 people for the opening ceremony of the Special Olympics, 2003). National and international touring are a key element of the company's work. CoisCéim performs regularly on the international stage, especially in the United States and at festivals such as the Edinburgh Festival Fringe where it has won 2 Fringe Firsts. At home, the company works with many communities of varying age, ability and location through its participation and engagement programme - Broadreach.

TEACHER EDUCATION

An introduction to creative dance

This strand of the residency provides a basic cognitive understanding of creative dance. Taking a cross-curricular approach, students will gain practical experience in developing themes and ideas, knowledge of key choreographic concepts, and some relevant tools to teach dance to primary school children.

WORKSHOPS

VENUE: GYMNASIUM ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE

DID YOU KNOW?

- dance is part of the Physical Education Curriculum in primary schools
- children in primary schools explore creative & folk dance

WORKSHOPS WILL EXPLORE

- dance 'vocabulary' appropriate for children
- how to use a theme to guide your work in creative dance
- listening and choosing music for dance

AT THE END OF THE WORKSHOPS YOU WILL

- be able to introduce an element of dance to your class
- be awarded a certificate in dance education for participating in a workshop and viewing a SEEING DANCE performance

WORKSHOP THEMES Exploring dance vocabulary and planning creative dance lessons for primary school children using a thematic approach.

1 st Year Students:	Pattern & Shape
2 nd Year Students:	Machines & Robots
2 nd Year PE Major Specialism Students:	School Link Teaching Project
4 th Year PE Major Specialism Students:	Creative Dance Tales
4 th Year PE Minor Specialism Students:	Colours of the Rainbow
Post Graduate Students:	Language & Letters
Irish Primary PE Teachers Association:	Creative Dance Tales

SEEING DANCE

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VENUE: AUDITORIUM ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE

DANCE PERFORMANCE | PREVIEWS OF THE WOLF AND PETER

Choreographer | David Bolger

Prokofiev's PETER AND THE WOLF is one of the most famous pieces of music ever written. The classic story has been interpreted by many artists from Disney to the Marx Brothers and won a Grammy award for Bill Clinton, Mikhail Gorbachov and Sofia Loren.

CoisCéim takes this timeless story of courage and imagination as inspiration for its forthcoming work to be premiered this autumn, and here... the story is told through the eyes of a WOLF. Filled with dance and live music, this energetic, fun and richly theatrical production by David Bolger gives life to a Bird, a Cat, a Duck, a Boy, and of course a Wolf. THE WOLF AND PETER will take audiences on a thrilling adventure to explore and discover contemporary dance and performance at its best.



BROADREACH | CREATIVE DANCE TALES

Supported by The Ireland Funds

In parallel with THE WOLF AND PETER, the company is piloting a nation-wide series of workshops, CREATIVE DANCE TALES. This initiative aims to deepen children's understanding of dance and storytelling through movement. These imaginative and lively sessions will offer 6 - 10 year olds a kinaesthetic learning experience in creative dance. This experience is linked to the Primary School Curriculum where children are encouraged to look at and respond to dance, art, music and drama. This pilot phase also includes two specialist workshops for educators as well as 28 workshops in 10 primary schools across Ireland.

At St Patrick's College CREATIVE DANCE TALES workshops will be held for 4th Year Students and teachers from the Irish Primary PE Teachers Association.

TALKING DANCE | DANCE ON FILM

with Choreographer David Bolger

In 2001, CoisCéim was the first dance company to receive funding from The Irish Film Board for the dark, edgy dance film co-production, HIT AND RUN. David Bolger will talk about creating choreography for film followed by a screening of extracts from HIT AND RUN.

FIND OUT MORE...

Visit St Patrick's College website, Facebook and Twitter pages, as well as a dedicated CoisCéim notice board. Students will be kept informed of dance events throughout the year. Contact: Susan Marron, Physical Education Unit or Gaye Ashford, St Patrick's College CoisCéim Administrator: pe.dance@dcu.ie. Students will receive event information at Physical Education seminars, on the physical education unit webpage www.spd.dcu.ie/site/pe, by email and by following the Students Union Facebook page at <http://on.fb.me/1KjCamz>.

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS AT ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE

DATE	TIME	EVENT	FOCUS GROUP
Thursday 8 Oct	11am-1pm	Workshop	BED 4 PE Minor Specialism
Thursday 8 Oct	4 - 5.30pm	Workshop	CREATIVE DANCE TALES Irish Primary PE Teachers Association
Thursday 8 Oct	6.00pm	SEEING DANCE	THE WOLF AND PETER preview performance
Friday 9 Oct	1.00pm	SEEING DANCE	THE WOLF AND PETER preview performance
Wednesday 21 Oct	11am-1pm	Workshop	CREATIVE DANCE TALES BED 4 Major Specialism
Wednesday 28 Oct	11am-1pm	Workshop	CREATIVE DANCE TALES BED 4 PE Major Specialism
Tuesday 20 Oct	6 - 8pm	Workshop	BED 2
Thursday 22 Oct	6 - 8pm	Workshop	PME 1
Friday 27 Nov	1.15pm	TALKING DANCE	with Choreographer David Bolger
Tuesday 9 Feb	6 - 8pm	Workshop	BED 1
Tuesday 16 Feb	6 - 8pm	Workshop	BED 1
Tuesdays 5 April - 3 May	9am - 1pm	School Link Creative Dance Project	BED 2 PE Major Specialism

OPPORTUNITIES TO DANCE FOR ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE STUDENTS COISCÉIM BROADREACH

Throughout the year Broadreach offers a range of dance initiatives for people wishing to extend their skills and experience. These include The Choreography Project – a creative and performance project led by professional choreographers, and a dance & film production project for young people with an interest in creating dance on film. Other opportunities include regular evening classes in Ballet, Contemporary and Improvisation techniques, and workshops with guest choreographers.

St Patrick's students receive a 10% discount on Broadreach activities, subject to availability. Please contact Sarah at info@coisceim.com.

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