



National Youth Ballet of Great Britain

Would you like to become a **Trustee of National Youth Ballet of Great Britain** and help take this leading youth performing arts charity through an exciting period of growth?

National Youth Ballet (NYB) was founded in 1987 with the aim to widen participation in all aspects of ballet performance. We do this by enabling young dancers and choreographers to collaborate with their peers, alongside musicians, composers, designers, costumiers and stage managers, under the guidance and support of established professionals.

Hundreds of young dancers, aged 8 to 18, audition annually for the coveted places in the Company. Many alumni go on to gain contracts with major ballet and musical theatre companies throughout the world. NYB also works in schools and the community with children from all walks of life through the Fit to Dance outreach programme.

NYB commissions bold, new work, created by professional choreographers working in the industry, collaborating with musicians, designers, eminent composers, costumiers and technicians to create a complete company experience. Our Beyond Ballet Emerging Choreographers Platform which nurtures young choreographic talent, supports aspiring choreographers in devising and showcasing their own work at professional level.

Sir Matthew Bourne CBE, Director of New Adventures and NYB Patron said: *I have been so impressed by the ambition of this company. We are not just looking at pieces of choreography, we are looking at pieces of theatre and that's amazing! NYB simply doesn't settle for second best!*

NYB is now taking on the challenge of moving forward without its very dedicated founder and director, Jill Tookey CBE. We appointed Mikah Smillie as Artistic Director in September 2016, following a wonderful season celebrating Jill's 30 years of whole-hearted and inspirational leadership. We have just appointed Clare Thurman to the new post of Executive Director. We have an amazing team of Patrons including Dame Darcey Bussell CBE, Joanna Lumley OBE, Dame Monica Mason DBE, Sir Peter Wright CBE, Carlos Acosta CBE, David Bintley CBE and Lauren Cuthbertson.



Trustee with a background in finance management

NYB has been diversifying the skills and experience of our Trustees, with the appointment of a marketing / digital media expert, specialists from the ballet and dance world and an experienced fundraiser. We now seek a Trustee with a robust career in finance / accountancy who is keen to fill a non-exec role within a progressive arts charity. Malcolm Macfarlane, Chair, said: *We're looking for a qualified accountant with a financial management skill set who can help us shape our development strategy over the next five years.*

NYB currently has a monthly Trustee meeting, on a weekday evening at a central London venue.

Although this is not an executive appointment, the

NYB core executive team is small and as we work through our plans for growth over the next 18 months, we rely on our Trustees to provide guidance to the executive team outside these meetings.

If you are interested in becoming a Trustee of NYB, and are a qualified accountant with the relevant expertise, please email trustee Patricia Castanha in the first instance on patricia@castanha.co.uk with a copy of your CV and an expression of interest (no more than two sides of A4 each). Interviews are scheduled for March 2018.

For further information:

<http://nationalyouthballet.org/>
<http://nationalyouthballet.org/information/who-we-are/>

Our website will very shortly be comprehensively re-built – please bear with us.

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