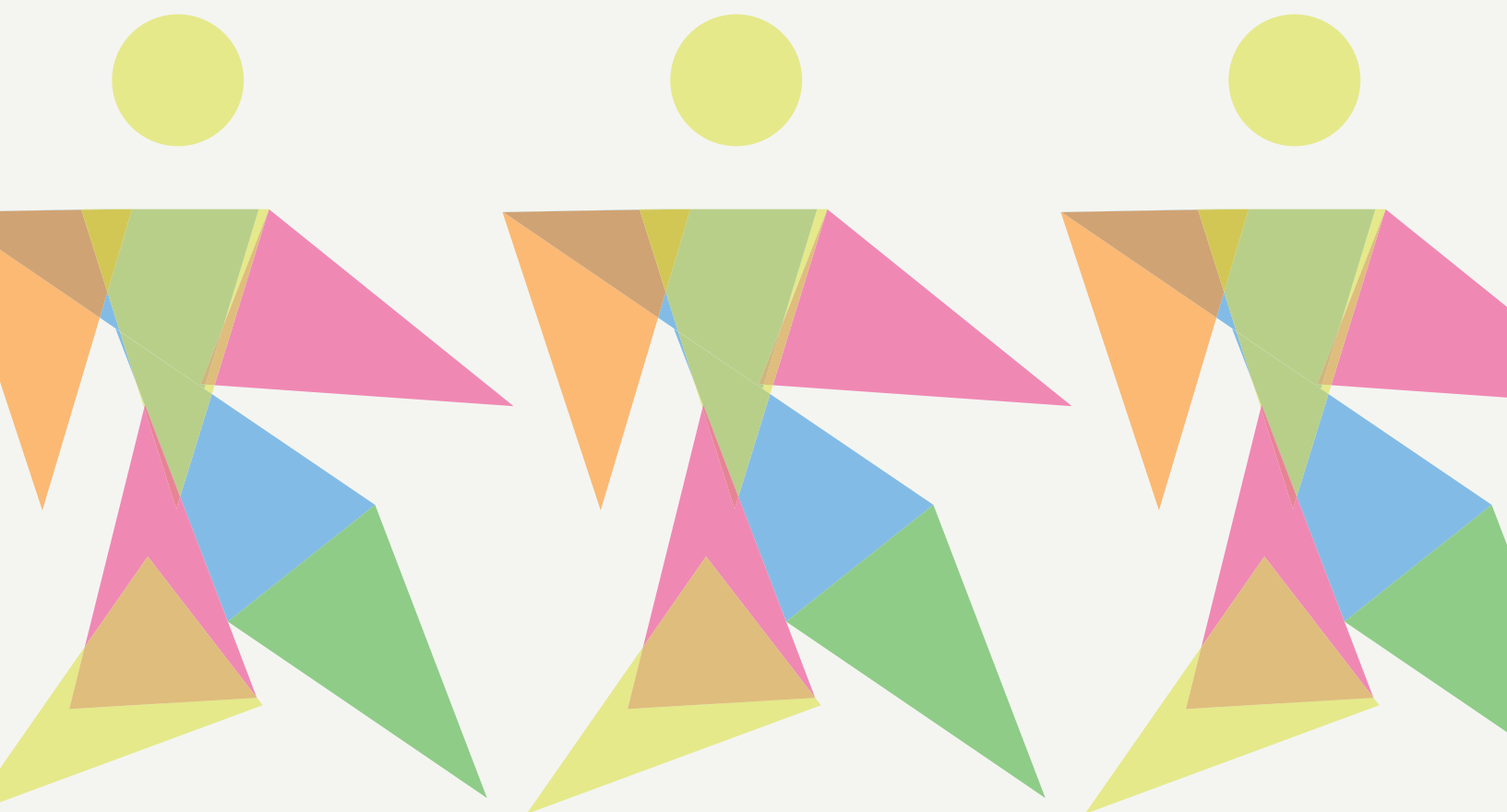


# TALENT HUB

About the Talent Hub  
(in detail)



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# What is the Talent Hub?

The Talent Hub is a brand new professional development programme for talented dancers with a learning disability, autism or both.

The Talent Hub will enable dancers with a learning disability, autism or both to progress professionally into dance companies or emerge as independent dance artists.

## Who is the Talent Hub for?

The Talent Hub is looking for people who:

- Have a learning disability, autism or both – with or without other disabilities.
- Are aged 18 or over on 1 July 2018.
- Live in the North East of England or Yorkshire, although those living outside this area may be considered as part of the recruitment process under special circumstances.
- Are passionate about dance and interested in developing a career in dance. They may wish to be a dance performer or be keen to develop their own dance performance work. They may have done some dance training but need access to further training and focused support to enable progression.



## What type of dancer are you looking for?

The dance training aspect of Talent Hub will be Contemporary as well as the choreographic style. When taking part in the residential elements of the Talent Hub this is the style we will be focusing on. This does not mean you have to have experience in Contemporary dance technique.

This technique offers a fantastic grounding for any dance style / artist and in a choreographic sense the freedom of the genre allows dancers influenced and trained in other dance forms to celebrate their dance and interpretation of Contemporary dance.

The skills wrapped around learning technique (body awareness, strength, flexibility, terminology etc) are the key benefits from this training. The choreographic elements such as creative workshops, developing dance movement, working as a company are an example of some of the benefits to be gained. It is more so the discovery of who you are as a dancer and your versatility.

Whatever your individual style and passion is you will be given the opportunity to train further and to gain more knowledge.

We will also aim to make you more aware of the dance sector in general and where/how you can achieve / progress in this industry.



## What's involved?

All ten dancers will take part in two key elements of the Hub:

- Individual personalised 'wrap-around' support and development programmes
- A series of residencies with all ten dancers

The personalised 'wrap-around' support will take place wherever each Talent Hub member lives and will be focused on the needs of the individual.

Within the 'wrap-around' programme TIN Arts and Yorkshire Dance will work with each dancer, their families and other people who support them to ensure appropriate resources and funding are in place to support chosen activities.

This may range from access to local technique-based classes, attending regular gym / fitness sessions through to development of new work including sourcing funding, development support, etc.



## About the residencies

A residency is where you will travel to somewhere new and stay there for between 5 and 10 days. The ten Talent Hub dancers will all live and work together to improve their dance. You will take part in dance technique training, creative workshops and choreographic sessions, as well as rehearsals for a new piece to tour in 2019-2020.

There will be 6 residencies running from 2018 – 2019 and they will all take place in the North East or Yorkshire as follows:

Residency 1	August 2018
Residency 2	October 2018
Residency 3	February 2019
Residency 4	April 2019
Residency 5	July 2019
Residency 6	October 2019



## Finances

There is no cost to join the Talent Hub. When the company comes together for residencies, all accommodation and food will be provided free of charge, and we can support you to undertake journeys to and from each location.

## Beyond the Talent Hub

The ten Talent Hub dancers will graduate from the programme in the Summer of 2020 with ongoing support. We hope the programme will inspire the dance sector to be more inclusive of dancers with learning disabilities or autism and more likely to recruit, train, support and programme them and their work.



## Who is leading the Talent Hub?

TIN Arts, a leading inclusive dance organisation based in Durham City, in partnership with Yorkshire Dance, will launch the Talent Hub across the North East of England and Yorkshire in March 2018. Both TIN Arts and Yorkshire Dance have a proven track record of supporting dancers to develop their practice, nurturing talent and ability, and placing the lead partners' work at the forefront of inclusive dance practice.

Tess Chaytor (Artistic Director, TIN Arts) will lead the dance training and performance elements of the Talent Hub. The Talent Hub will also draw upon expertise from internationally leading artists creating new work for touring nationally, profiling and distributing distinctive, significant, high-quality new work.

Karen Parry is the Chief Executive of Inclusion North in Leeds and, alongside a team of self-advocates, will ensure that all Talent Hub dancers and their families are fully supported during their time on the programme.



## How to apply

The Talent Hub will be open for applications from **1 March 2018 to 27 April 2018** with subsequent call-back audition workshops taking place mid-May / early June.

Keep up to date with the latest Talent Hub news by following us on social media:

[facebook.com/TalentHubDance](https://facebook.com/TalentHubDance)

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## Want to know more? Get in touch!

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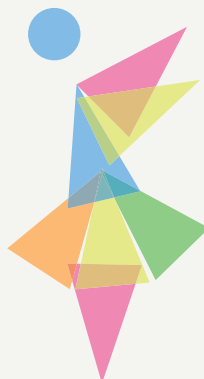
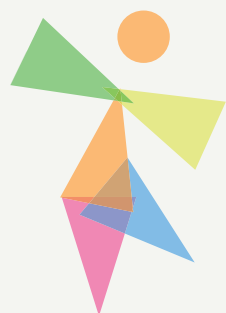
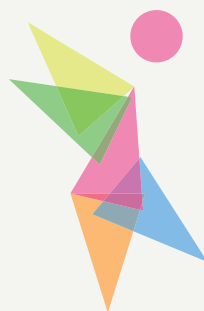
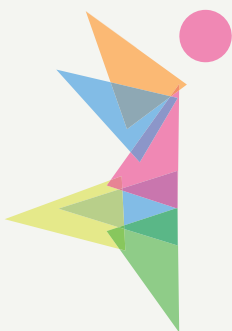
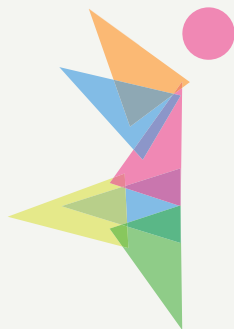
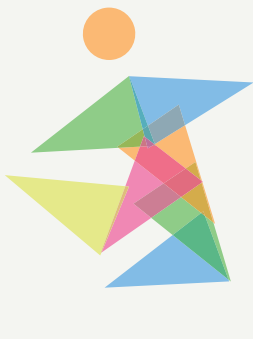
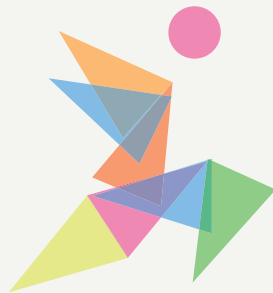
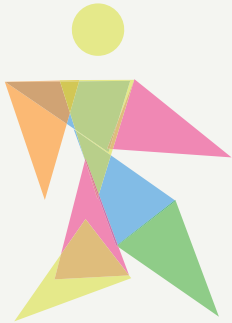
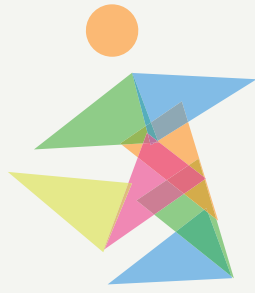
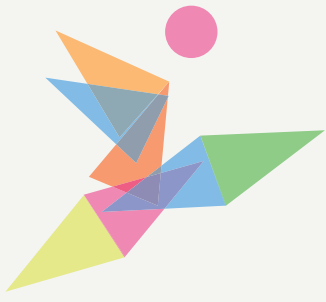


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