



Motionhouse Est. 1988 Primary Schools

Motionhouse has an outstanding reputation for delivering high quality, inspiring dance education in schools since 1988.

Our workshops for primary schools are stimulating, engaging and can be tailored to the individual needs of your school. Suitable for pupils from 4 years +, we offer a range of ready-made or customised workshops that can be linked in to any area of the curriculum or can respond to a specific project idea/theme or stimulus.

Our popular 'Performance/Workshop Package' offers an inspiring experience for young people, combining a performance by the professional company in your school with a workshop.

We can deliver one-off workshops, short creative residencies or regular sessions over a half term, term or across a full year.

Cross Curricular Learning

Dance is an effective tool to enhance learning across a range of subjects within the National Curriculum. It can be used to engage in a different and exciting way, helping break down barriers that can be encountered in classroom learning.

Artsmark

We offer opportunities for schools aiming to obtain Artsmark status or who currently hold the award. Please contact us to discuss how we can work together.



Please contact Hannah Asprey on 01926 887 052 or Hannah@motionhouse.co.uk for more information or to book a workshop.



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Secondary Schools

Motionhouse has an outstanding reputation for delivering high quality, inspiring dance education and participatory work in schools since 1988.

We offer a diverse range of stimulating activities, projects and workshops for students to explore their creativity through movement and dance. Our workshops are accessible and enjoyable, emphasising a sense of achievement for all.

Each workshop encompasses Motionhouse's distinctive, highly physical style of dance and is tailored to respond to the individual needs and targets of your school.

Example Workshops

- Dance sessions exploring material from one of Motionhouse's touring productions
- Skills development and exploration of contact work and partnering
- Contemporary techniques
- Using dance in PE (dance content to support the National Curriculum)
- Performance/Workshop Package – students take part in a workshop with our dancers and watch a Motionhouse performance in your school
- 'Curtain Raiser' performance projects – a series of workshops working towards a short performance before one of our shows

This list is not exhaustive, if you have ideas for a project, please contact us to discuss how we can work together.

GCSE

We offer a range of workshops which complement and assist the GCSE Dance qualification/syllabus. These include taster dance sessions to encourage students to choose dance at GCSE level, technique workshops and choreographic development sessions to develop choreographic skills (useful for GCSE Unit 4). Sessions can also be used for GCSE Unit 3 (Performance in a duo/group).

Until July 2017 Motionhouse's Perfect is a set piece on the curriculum, we offer a comprehensive learning package to support students in their understanding of the production. Contact us to find out more.

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**What did you like best about the workshop? "Giving the students the chance to 'play' with movement and push them into new ideas."
Henley in Arden School**

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We work closely with colleges and sixth forms across the UK to deliver high-quality and inspiring dance education for a range of abilities. We can work closely with your school or college to create a workshop or project that will provide a rewarding and beneficial experience for your students. Each workshop encompasses Motionhouse's distinctive, highly physical style of dance and is tailored to respond to the individual needs and targets of your school. Every workshop delivered by the company includes a Q & A with the performers.

We also offer work experience opportunities to students interested in pursuing a career in dance or the arts.

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A Level / BTEC

We offer a range of workshops which complement and assist the A Level and BTEC dance syllabi. These include taster dance sessions to encourage students to choose dance as an A Level/ BTEC subject, technique workshops, choreographic development sessions, performance skills sessions and audition preparation sessions for students aiming to continue dance in Higher Education. All of our workshops include a Q&A with the dancers.

“It challenged the more able without excluding those of a lower ability... The contact work that the pupils created within the duet has been used in the group's performance piece.”
North Leamington School

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Higher Education

Motionhouse has an outstanding reputation for delivering high quality, inspiring dance education and participatory work since 1988.

We deliver a range of inspiring dance-circus workshops and training sessions in colleges and universities across the UK, offering students an exceptional opportunity to learn from a leading UK dance company.

Workshops enable students to explore the highly physical and challenging nature of our work. Our workshops are a unique opportunity for your students to gain insight in to the world of professional dance performance and to work with some of the most talented contemporary dance performers in the UK today.

We can deliver regular workshops, standalone sessions and longer term residencies or projects.

Example workshops/projects

- Dance sessions exploring material from one of Motionhouse's touring productions
- Sessions around contact work and partnering
- Technique and skills
- Conditioning and fitness
- Choreography and creative exploration
- Performance/Workshop Package – students take part in a workshop with our dancers and watch a Motionhouse performance
- 'Curtain Raiser' performance project – a series of workshops working towards a short performance before one of our shows
- Choreographic commissions

Academic and Business Modules

We are also able to deliver sessions responding to academic modules: sessions can be delivered by members of Motionhouse staff specialising in different areas of expertise including marketing, administration, fundraising, community projects and programming in a professional dance company. Contact us to find out more.

“The content was great and allowed our first year students to explore something new, with a link and reference to professional work.”

Arts University Bournemouth

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Training for Teachers

Motionhouse has an outstanding reputation for delivering high quality, inspiring dance education in schools since 1988.

An important part of our role as a professional dance company is helping dance teachers train and inspire the next generation. We regularly work with education professionals of all levels to develop their skills, knowledge and confidence in teaching dance.

Tailored sessions cover skills and technique, creative exploration and choreography, fitness and safe dance leadership and how to link sessions to the curriculum.

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“Having a new fresh perspective on dance with primary children is of benefit to the children and the staff. We were able to share our dance with the school which meant that other teachers were able to be inspired by it too...”

Milverton School, Leamington Spa

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