



WOKING DANCE SPACE

# Joining Forces

14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> May 2014, Rhoda McGaw Theatre, Woking



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**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>,  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2014**

**Approximate timings**

Act I 50 minutes

Interval 20 minutes

Act II 50 minutes

The performance will end at approximately 9:30pm



# It's Showtime !

Welcome to Joining Forces, our 12<sup>th</sup> show at the Rhoda McGaw Theatre! Whatever your interest tonight, whether it's watching someone you love perform for the first time, enjoying a little classical ballet, getting on down with the Zumba groove, or just escaping into the wonderful world of dance for a few hours, we hope you love this show as much as we do.

But what is Joining Forces? Well, as a community dance studio we are always looking for ways in which we can bring dance and the joy of performing, to as many people as possible in our local area. So 8 years ago we decided to host an umbrella show where we offered the chance to dance on stage to other local groups who may not be able to put on their own show. We were amazed at the response – the first show was a sellout – and we decided to make it a biennial event. And so Joining Forces was born!

After taking a rest in the Olympic year (and what a year that was !) in 2014 we are now hosting our third Joining Forces. We are therefore delighted to welcome back our wonderful regular guests First Dance, Stagecoach Woking, Just Jhoom and Bellytricks - we just couldn't do it without you guys! And we are also very excited to welcome some new guests joining us for the first time, namely Harmony Dance and Drama, the Arden Holford School of Ballet and Dancayers. We hope you all have a great show with us!

So, dear audience, sit back and enjoy. With dancers aged 7 to 70, styles from ballet to Zumba and a host of fantastic, locally made costumes and props (our costume crew are just amazing) – there is truly something for everyone tonight!

The Trustees of Woking Dance Space  
Pauline, Tina, Kate, Gretchen, Zelda and Jackie



# Act One

## America

Woking Dance Space - Choreography Jodie Read

## Dance for Mary-Anne

Arden Holford School of Ballet - Choreography Angela Hardcastle

## Commercial Mashup

Stagecoach Woking - Choreography Chase Demmers

## How the River Flows

Woking Dance Space - Choreography Shani Nash

## Wild Wild Party

Harmony Dance and Drama - Choreography Alex Sears

## Mawoud

Bellytricks - Choreography Melissa Hoare

## Bang Bang

Woking Dance Space - Choreography Jodie Read

## Tutu Suite

Arden Holford School of Ballet - Choreography Angela Hardcastle

## Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy

First Dance - Choreography Emma Brewer

## Naïve Peace

Naïve Peace - Community & Conflict - Devastation - Redemption  
Woking Dance Space - Choreography Gretchen Fox Kiefer



# Act Two

## Anything Goes

First Dance - Choreography Emma Brewer

## Everything Old is New

Woking Dance Space - Choreography Sarah Whitfield

## Just Jhoom

Just Jhoom Woking - Choreography Megan Jayawardena

## New York Flashmob

First Dance - Choreography Emma Brewer

## Hat

Woking Dance Space - Choreography Gretchen Fox Kiefer

## Explosions

Stagecoach Woking - Choreography Chase Demmers

## Zumba

Woking Dance Space - Choreography Tunde Crowley

## Furious Angels

Dancayers Company - Choreography Emily Ayres

## Lolole

Bellytricks - Choreography Melissa Hoare

## Night at the Ballet

Woking Dance Space - Choreography Gretchen Fox Kiefer

# We Are

## Woking Dance Space

Woking Dance Space is a non-profit making organisation that provides access to dance for adults within the community, whatever their age, experience or previous training. In 2015 we will mark the twentieth anniversary of the studio's creation.

Woking Dance Space is unique in that classes are offered for all age ranges, from young adults to senior citizens. We run classes in many dance disciplines, hold special events, stage performances and provide a forum for people to meet and explore what is both a creative and beneficial interest.

Whether your interest is in classical Ballet, upbeat Zumba or stomping Tap we have the right class for you.

For more information about Woking Dance Space visit <http://www.wokingdancespace.org.uk/> or call 07818 249 690



**Performers:** Michelle Atherton, Chrystele Bourven, Anna Burrows, Louise Bradbury, Pamela Cooper, Tunde Crowley, Sonia Di Somelia, Emma Dunn, Jen Dyson, Jessica Evans, Nicki Farrar, Catherine Ferris, Kelly Frampton, Emily Francis, Hannah Green, Beki Han, Lesley Henderson,

Louise Hill, Christabel Holmes, Gen Howgate, Robina Jones, Stef Jones, Nichola Legge, Liza Mansfield, Laura Marshall, Tina Morcom, Paula Mundy, Shani Nash, Gill Osborne, Wendy Pearce, Thea Phillips, Lucy Portsmouth, Catherine Ray, Lucy Russell, Amanda Sallis, Sonya Scammell, Laura Sharp, Georgie Smith, Jackie Smith, Natascha Snell, Valerie Southwick-Page, Katharine Stimson, Rebecca Terrell, Emily Thomas, Catherine Torlop, Laura Weston, Sheila Wey, Rachael Williams, Amanda Wilson, Zelda Whittern, Heather Wood, Claire Woodard, Anna Zile



# Our Guests...

## Just Jhoom! Woking

Just Jhoom! Woking welcomes people of all ages and abilities to experience the joys of Bollywood. Just Jhoom! fuses inspiration from Classical Indian dance and Hindi films with a variety of new and old dance forms from around the world. Just Jhoom! is a fabulous way to keep fit, make friends and enjoy Bollywood hit music.



**Performers:** Megan Jayawardena, Anahita Pithawala, Jan Wallis

## Harmony Dance and Drama

Harmony Dance and Drama was started in 2001 by Alexandra Sears and Sarah Wrenn. In the first few weeks there were only ten students, but by 2008 there were over 300 children dancing and 65 classes running per week. Since 2010 Alex has run the school on her own with the assistance of Kimberley Vowles and now offers classes in RAD ballet, ISTD modern and tap, street dance, drama, singing and even line dancing.

Many of the students have gone on to dance further at places such as White Lodge, Tring, Hammonds, Italia Conti and the like and many have had great success at dance festivals - even winning medals at the All England Festival of Dance.

Harmony Dance is proud to be part of the 'Joining Forces' production and wishes everyone the best of luck!

**Performers:** Jessica Brown, Thomas Brown, Imogen Challis, Paige Kenny, Gemma Lambert, Sophie Peel, Eleanor McPhillips, Georgie Tacon, Zaya Tserenbat, Daisy Wiggins, Mayella Willett, Faith Wilson





## Dancayers Company

Dancayers Company are an up and coming Contemporary Jazz Dance Company founded by Emily Ayers. The aim of the company is to inspire passion for high quality dance execution and performance flair through commitment and a strong sense of emotion and storytelling within the choreographic works. The company performs throughout the UK and most recent events include Battersea Arts Centre, London; Milton Keynes Theatre; The Rhoda McGaw Theatre, Woking and South Hill Park Theatre, Bracknell. Dancayers Company goes into schools to

teach workshops and classes.

This year we have an apprentice dancer performing with the company who was specially selected at one of these events. Congratulations to Jade Campbell! For more information please contact [emily.ayers@hotmail.com](mailto:emily.ayers@hotmail.com)

**Performers:** Emily Ayres, Jade Campbell, Erica Miller, Ami Tollin

## Arden Holford School of Ballet

Arden Holford School of Ballet was founded by Arden Holford in 1961, joined by her daughter Anna in 1984. The school teaches the Royal Academy of Dance syllabus. Children have successfully auditioned for the Royal Ballet School, Tring Park, Elmhurst, National Youth Ballet, English Youth Ballet & Surrey Youth Ballet.

Our choreographer Angela Hardcastle is a freelance Director/Choreographer who has devised many full length children's ballets including 'The Tailor of Gloucester' for the Arden Holford School of Ballet and 'Alice' for the DeMeric School.

For more information see [www.pointytoes.co.uk](http://www.pointytoes.co.uk), call 01483 415724 or e-mail [anna@pointytoes.co.uk](mailto:anna@pointytoes.co.uk)

**Performers:** Farah Bisada, Molly Brassington, Eimhear Byrne, Molly



Charlton, Lily Cole, Nia Duggan, Laura Eisenhower, Grace Farmer, Poppy Greville-Collins, Charlotte Hua, Lucy Isherwood, Asia Jakubowska, Sarah Morcom, Alice Morcom, Sarah Rosson, Hannah Shilston, Eleanor Shorey, Rose Shorey, Georgia Smith, Beate Wehrmeyer

## BellyTricks

BellyTricks Bellydance provide beginner and improver bellydance classes, workshops and American Tribal Style bellydance courses, taught by Melissa Hoare. Bellydance is an umbrella term for many Middle Eastern dance styles that include beautifully fluid undulations and clever isolations that look good on any body shape. It can be good for toning the arms and the waistline but its also great fun! BellyTricks classes are friendly and welcoming and all students are given the opportunity to perform locally.



For more information see <http://www.bellytricks.co.uk/>

**Performers:** Alison Blomfield, Sophie Blomfield, Sue Bonsor, Lucy Hawkett, Christine Hazelden, Melissa Hoare, Kimberley Homer Theodore, Pamela Lyons, Sam McCarthy, Debbie Osborne, Angela Pooke, Annamarie Roas, Shelagh Sands, Trudy Sands, Kim Smith, Isabelle Vestier-Hawkett, Heather Williams

## Stagecoach Woking

Stagecoach Woking is dedicated to providing a high standard of learning in the three disciplines of Drama, Dance and Singing for 4-16 year olds. The skills learnt at Stagecoach are not only for the world of performing arts but are also valuable skills for life, including confidence and character building. The teachers at Stagecoach are experienced professional performers which gives them the opportunity to pass on fresh knowledge and creative skills to the students. Not only do the students get to perform in an annual show but also get the chance to be put



forward for auditions for theatre and television.

Chase Demmers, dance teacher at Stagecoach Woking, started the dance troupe to cater for those students who wanted to take dance further. Stagecoach is held at Woking High School and runs every Saturday during term time and offers classes in the morning and afternoon in 3 hour sessions. We also run 90 minute sessions developed to suit children aged 4-6 years.

For more information see [www.stagecoach.co.uk/woking/](http://www.stagecoach.co.uk/woking/) or call principal Grant Clarke 01483 235216

**Performers:** Hannah Burrows, Miya Chamberlain, Libby Clifford, Maddie Gaskin, Molly Harper, Betty McCleave, Erika Mulligan, Jodie Norton, Analise Preston, William Salford, Maddy Sparks, Panagiota Toumpeki, Leonardo Vieira

## First Dance

First Dance Studios was set up by sisters Emma Harris and Katie Brewer in March 2005 to teach couples their first dances for the weddings - hence the studio name - and to date have taught over eight hundred couples so far!


First Dance Studios also offer daytime and evening dance classes alongside Woking Dance Space, teaching Ballet, Jazz, Tap, Musical Theatre, Street Jazz & Ballroom and have their very own choir. Exercise classes offered include Yoga, Pilates, Total Toning, Aerobics and FitSteps. For children, the studio runs a Saturday Theatre Academy for six to fifteen year olds. First Dance Studios produced their third show 'A Change of Scene' in February at the Rhoda McGaw Theatre.

For more information visit [www.firstdance.co.uk](http://www.firstdance.co.uk) or call 01483 750075

**Performers:** Wendy Arthur, Emily Ayers, Trissie Beard, Marina Beck, Katie Brewer, Clare Carr, Helen Clark, Graham Copeman, Mel Denyer, Val Denyer, Laura Evison, Ann Fenton, Iris Fisher, Steve Fitton, Sue Gaastra, Sarah Gill, Emma Harris, Linda Horne, Mandy Murphy, Sarah Ratcliff, Sharon Sumpter, Pat Taylor, Karen Theunissen, Helen Woods



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and jazz and ballet  
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and drama  
and line dancing

Harmony dance offers classes from 3 years to adult, with a focus building strong dance technique alongside creative development, expression and enjoyment.

Students have the opportunity to participate in RAD ballet exams, ISTD tap and Modern exams, dance festivals and performances. Classes take place in the Ripley, Ockham and Horsley area, so if you want to learn to dance come along for a free trial class.

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The Arden Holford School of Ballet is a small  
friendly ballet school which has been run by a  
mother & daughter since 1961

We offer classes from the age of 3 up & the  
children get to take Royal Academy of Dance  
exams

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<b>Stage Crew</b>	Mike Bedford
<b>Props</b>	Tony Howgate, Catherine Ferris
<b>Costumes</b>	Zelda Whittern, Gen Howgate, Lucy Russell, Trustees and Dancers of Woking Dance Space
<b>Chief Dresser</b>	Sally Powell
<b>Music Editing</b>	Catherine Ferris
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<b>Programme Design</b>	Catherine Ferris, Gretchen Fox Kiefer
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# Forthcoming Events

Special events and performances	
Party in the Park	Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> July
Autumn Term Starts	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> September
Half Term Break	27 <sup>th</sup> - 31 <sup>st</sup> October
Joining Forces Video Night	Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> September
Mincing Pies Christmas Party	Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> December
2015	20 years of Woking Dance Space
Studio Show 2015	13 <sup>th</sup> to 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2015

Class timetable		
Monday	9:45am	Intermediate Ballet
	6:30pm	Beginners Tap
	7:30pm	Beginners Tap Plus
	8:30pm	Intermediate Tap
Tuesday	9:45am	Daytime Ballet
	10:45am	Daytime Jazz
	11:45am	Daytime Tap
	6:30pm	Zumba
	7:30pm	American Jazz
	8:30pm	Advanced Ballet
Wednesday	6:30pm	Beginners Ballet
	7:30pm	Intermediate Ballet
	8:30pm	Contemporary
Thursday	6:30pm	Contemporary Jazz
	7:30pm	Theatre Jazz
	8:30pm	Advanced Tap



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