

## **Accessibility and Disability Statement**

**icandance** believes that everyone, regardless of disability, through dance, can access their own creativity. We also believe that dance enhances confidence and emotional wellbeing. We have developed a unique approach to dance which integrates the use of specialised educational methods, developmental movement, expressive dance, therapeutic interventions and ballet technique. Our approach is based on the Theories of Dance Movement Psychotherapy, Mediated Learning Experience, Thinking Skills and Ballet. We believe this integrated approach encourages creativity, fosters social interaction and builds confidence in each dancer.

Staff and volunteers are trained and supervised in delivering our approach.

We cater for children and young people aged 5 to 25 years old with varying disabilities.

**icandance** welcomes all children and young people regardless of their disability. At times, additional planning, funding and specific staff skills may be required according to the child/young person's need.

We provide the necessary support including 1 to 1 and where needed 2 to 1 support. This is assessed on registration to our classes.

All buildings used to deliver our service are wheelchair accessible.

We are sensitive, professional and informed in our approach to working with all with disabilities.

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