

# Frequently Asked Questions

## **Who can apply?**

*To be considered for U.Dance Regional Platforms and the U.Dance National Festival in 2025:*

- *Pieces must only include dancers who are aged 11 to 19 years (or up to and including age 25 for disabled dancers) on 31 July 2025.*
- *Pieces must be between 2 and 7 minutes in duration.*
- *Groups/individuals must be based in the UK and involve dancers who live in the UK.*

## **We applied before and didn't get selected. Is it worth applying again?**

*Yes, it is. We have different panelists and groups applying each year. If you weren't selected for the National Festival in previous years, there is still a chance you could be selected this year.*

## **Can we submit more than one piece?**

*Yes, you can submit more than one piece, however, only one piece per group can be selected to perform at the National Festival.*

## **Do we have to submit an original piece?**

*Yes*

## **How long should pieces be?**

*Your piece should be a minimum of 2 minutes and a maximum of 7 minutes long.*

## **How many young people can perform in each piece?**

*There should be a maximum of 30 performers in each piece.*

## **How will I know if you have received our application?**

*We will send you an email to confirm.*

## **Who decides which groups get selected?**

*A selected panel of industry experts will decide which groups are carried forward to both the Regional Platform and the National Festival. Their decision is based on:*

- *Excellence in performance.*
- *Original, excellent and engaging choreography.*
- *Dancers taking clear ownership of the choreography, which is appropriate for their age and experience.*

## **Can we apply if I don't have a Chaperone Licence?**

*Yes, but you will need to send evidence of application for everyone who will act as a chaperone on the day.*

## **My group only has DVD footage of our piece! Can we still apply?**

*Yes, as long as your video reaches us in time for the deadline. Please email [katie@tinarts.co.uk](mailto:katie@tinarts.co.uk) to arrange this.*

## **When will I know the outcome of our application?**

*31st January 2025*

## **When will technical rehearsals take place?**

*If you are selected for the Regional Platform, technical rehearsals will take place on the day (23rd March 2025).*

## **Who should I contact if I have a query about our application?**

*If your query is about the application process, email: [katie@tinarts.co.uk](mailto:katie@tinarts.co.uk).*

*If your query is about the regional platform itself, email:*

*[engagement@dancecity.co.uk](mailto:engagement@dancecity.co.uk).*