



2FACED DANCE CO

Sanctuary Group

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Inspiration
Through
Education
And
Performance

LOCAL CLASSES FROM SEPT 09

Break dance every **Monday**

Hereford, Courtyard Arts Centre

4-7 yrs at 4:00pm — 5.00pm

8-11yrs at 5:00pm — 6.00pm

12+ at 6:15pm — 7.15pm

advanced at 7:30.pm — 8.45pm

Street Dance every **Tuesday**

Hereford, Kindle Centre

StreetStylersz *****NEW CLASS*****

4yrs + at 4.00pm—5.00pm

Junior 7 + yrs at 5.00pm - 6.00pm

Senior, 11+ at 6.15pm - 7.15pm

Senior 11+ 7.30pm - 8.30pm

Break dance every **Wednesday**

Brecon, Theatre Brycheiniog

01874 622838

6-11yrs at 5:00pm - 6.00pm

11yrs+ at 6:15pm - 7.15pm

Break dance every **Thursday**

Worcester, Angel Centre, DanceFEST

01905 611199

7-11yrs at 4:45pm - 5.45pm

11yrs+ at 5.45pm - 6.45pm

Break dance every **Friday**

The Globe @ Hay on Wye

01497 821762

7 - 11yrs at 4:00pm - 5:00pm

11yrs+ at 5:15pm - 6:15pm

Ballet + Contemporary every **Sunday**

Hereford, Kindle Centre

11+ at 1.00pm - 2.00pm Open level Contemporary Dance

11yrs+ at 2.00pm - 3.00pm Open level Urban Ballet.

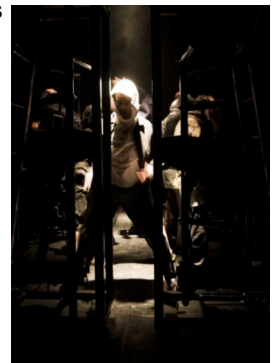
For more information on workshops please contact
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or call on 01432 276807

What a year! 2009 has brought with it some unbelievable opportunities, and put 2faced into a higher category in the professional dance world. After completing 2 UK tours, and receiving excellent feedback, both our education and performance work has gone to a new level. This is also thanks to performing at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe again this year and hiring a new full time teacher and education officer Fiona Hay. The future is also very bright with potential international tour dates waiting to be confirmed and a Feb tour already on the books. 2Faced have also undertaken a huge project called Moves to Succeed that will be an on going education project in partnership with Herefordshire council. So all in all this year has been a stepping stone for 2faced, and the future looks very exciting!

Dan Lowenstein, Marketing Officer, Teacher, Dancer

2FaCeD return home

8 weeks and 5300 miles later 2Faced Dance Company have completed the 2009 tour of STILL BREATHING. Performing at over 30 venues across the UK, from 1st class touring venues to private schools. Receiving critical acclaim and amazing audience feedback where ever we went. Audience members from London commented “truly inspirational”, “simply amazing”, “breath taking” and “after 30 years of watching dance that was definitely up there with the best”. STILL BREATHING was ‘pick of the week’ in Guardian **3 times**, and received some great reviews. It wasn't all plain sailing, as you can imagine touring such a physical piece for so long will inevitably result in injury. All 8 of the dancers were at one point or another injured, some so much so that the show had to be re worked to accommodate the loss of 1 member. Dan Lowenstein was hospitalised for 4 days with a knee infection from constant impact, Taylor Benjamin was out for a few shows with a swollen ankle, the list goes on. But in true 2Faced style we worked round the injuries and delivered what the audiences wanted. Along side the tour we taught workshops at local schools and theatres, encouraging the students to take dance on as a hobby, and showing them what can be achieved when they come to watch STILL BREATHING. We believe that we inspired 100's of students and hopefully many of them are now taking dance classes on a regular basis. All in all the 2009 tour went very well. Although the piece is slightly different to 2008's STATE OF MATTER, I believe that our previous audiences are please with the transition to a more mature and darker piece, that portrays what many people feel in today's society and cultures. See reverse for details of the up and coming **February 2010 tour** of STILL BREATHING, where we will also be in Ireland.



DIDGE AKA Daniel Ovel on 'Move Like Micheal Jackson'

Daniel Ovel auditioned for Move Like MJ and got all the way to the last 16, where he danced in front of Jermaine Jackson to secure himself a position in the last 8. unfortunately he didn't get through, but to get from 1200 people to 16 was a quite an achievement, check out BBC3 for



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Feb 2010 Tour

As you know we have just come back from our tour around the UK, but no rest for the wicked, we are going to embark on another tour of the UK and Ireland in Feb 2010. We will be touring to 15 different venues throughout the month, from Manchester to Newtownabbey. This could be the last time the UK will have the chance to watch the critically acclaimed STILL BREATHING. There are plans for an international/European tour in 2010 or 2011, but after that a new piece is on the cards. Using various world famous choreographers. For a full list of tour dates and contact numbers please visit www.2faceddance.co.uk and check out the tour section. We hope that you will come to watch STILL BREATHING and see what all the hype is about.

New dancer!

2Faced would like to say goodbye and thank you to Tim Schneider who has left the company and returned to Germany, to continue his life as an acrobat. Tim brought an element of fluidity, acrobatic technique and unique style to STILL BREATHING that will be very hard to replace. But we are trying our very best to find a new dancer who can fill his boots for the Feb tour. If you know of anyone who may be interested please tell them to email info@2faceddance.co.uk with their CV and head shot.



Tim Schneider Chris Nash Photo shoot

FRESH 2010

Last June just over 220 young people from the counties primary and secondary schools descended on The Courtyard for the 1st schools dance day 'FRESH'. It was a huge success with many positive outcomes. Many young people now attend further dance activities, new friendships were formed, weekly school dance sessions have sprung up and some people visited The Courtyard for the 1st time. The Feedback we received from the schools was extremely positive: "I am really glad that I am in FRESH and have loved every minute, thank you" **student**, "thank you for a great experience we would love to be involved if you do this again" **teacher**. **FRESH 2010 will take place on Tuesday 22nd June**. If you know of any schools who are interested in participating in FRESH 2010 please contact Nathan@2faceddance.co.uk or ring 01432 276807 before the 17th January. We look forward to producing and delivering another memorable event.

Education Update... Plus 2Faced seek new teacher for February

During our autumn tour of 'Still Breathing' we ran some very successful workshops reaching 1367 young people across the UK from Stirling to London.

"2Faced Dance gave a fantastic day of workshops that were motivating and inspirational to the students"

"The teachers had a positive attitude and knew what they wanted to achieve with the students" – **Natalie from Hextable Dance, London**

We are currently on the hunt for a new teacher to cover classes during February whilst the 2010 tour is taking place. If you are interested in working for 2Faced as a dance teacher please contact Nathan – nathan@2faceddance.co.uk and send in your CV (please note you must be able to drive and own a car)...

Interview with ...

Fiona Hay 2Faced's new full-time education officer and teacher

1) How have you found your time at 2Faced?

I have enjoyed every minute of it, from teaching, developing the 2faced education around Herefordshire, being part of such a established professional dance company, and working in an arts environment everyday is excellent too!

2) Why did you choose to work for 2FaCeD?

Having just graduated from my dance degree this job opening sounded too good to be true as it allows me to develop my teaching and choreographic skills, as well as expanding my administration skills by taking on the role of education officer. I feel so lucky to have landed this job role for a further 6 months.

3) How are you finding the teaching of the youth company?

When i took on this job i was really looking forward to leading the youth company as this is where i started my dance training before doing my degree. All the members have worked so hard and made me feel very welcome to me as their new leader. I have really tried to expand their dance knowledge and tried new dance styles and choreographic devices which they have been very open too. I have high hopes for the youth company and have many exciting plans for them in 2010.

4) Is working with us what you expected it to be like?

It's actually better than I expected! Every day is different which I like, I am learning so much along the way. 2faced Dance company have made me feel so welcome, thank you guys!!!

Interviewed by Dan Lowenstein

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Fiona Hay

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Check out our website

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to join our mailing list...

PEACE!!

New members of Youth Company

2Faced Youth has been the essence of 2Faced since the beginning, we now have a 21 strong company who are performing across the UK: Telford dance festival, Youth Dance England, performing at the opening ceremony of the male and female gymnastic championships at the NIA in Birmingham to name a few... Good luck guys! SMASH IT!!!!

