

VENUE: The Place, London

DPK Ballet specialises in adult ballet. We work across several London venues to deliver structured and inclusive classical ballet classes for dancers aged 18+. In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, we have several measures in place to mitigate against the risk of participants contracting COVID-19 or coming into contact with someone who subsequently tests positive.

This risk assessment is under regular review in line with the developing situation and guidance on a national and local level. Any queries relating to this risk assessment should be forwarded to dpkballet@gmail.com.

The individual responsible for overseeing the application of the mitigation we henceforth set out is DAVID PAUL KIERCE, owner of DPK Ballet.

Pre-Arrival

- Participants will pre-book their class and join our in-house track and trace system. This allows us to contact participants should someone test positive following a class. It should not be necessary, however, for individuals to self-isolate given that strict social distancing (2m+) is adhered to at all times.
- Participants are prompted on their booking email to read our SAFETY GUIDANCE (www.dpkballet.com/safety) which outlines our own procedures and protocols to mitigate against COVID-19.
- Participants will agree to read all guidance sent out by the specific venue in question, in this case THE PLACE, 17 Duke's Road, London WC1H 9P.
- Participants will fill out the questionnaire on THE PLACE's own website, detailing they are well and accepting the terms of use of the building. This also places participants on to THE PLACE's own track and trace system for use by their administrative team should the need arise.
- All participants are instructed not to attend class if they feel unwell in any way whatsoever.

Arrival

- Participants should arrive strictly during the allotted time slot and individually to minimise bottle-necking at entrances. Strict social distancing should be adhered to at all times (2m+)
- Upon entry, dancers will sanitise or wash their hands.
- Temperature checks will be carried out by us to ensure no participant is displaying signs of a high temperature, one of the key symptoms of COVID-19.
- Participants will acknowledge the one-way system around the building and ensure a safe distance from staff in the building at all times.
- Participants will keep their mask on whilst entering and moving around the building, only removing it when class is about to start.

During the activity

- Barres and touch-surfaces will be sterilised thoroughly before each class. Doors and windows will be left open to allow a regular flow of clean air.
- A reduced number of participants in each class allows for strict social distancing.
- Dancers will maintain strict social distancing of 2m+ at all times. Dancers can choose to wear a face covering and if not will take extra care to maintain distance at all times from those outside their own household.
- Barres will be cleaned thoroughly after use.
- Participants will be split into smaller groupings to complete exercises or activities. This allows extra space for the dancers to move freely.
- At no time will the number of individuals in the room exceed that of the number THE PLACE has set out in its own COVID-19 Risk Assessment.
- Dancers are asked to contact the Duty Manager should they begin to feel unwell during their time in the building.
- Dancers will use facilities on their floor only and not move around the building unnecessarily.

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- Participants will not share personal belongings, for example water bottles, with anyone else in the room.

After the activity

- Barres and touch-surfaces will be sterilised thoroughly after each class. All opportunities to aerate the room will be taken to clear the room. THE PLACE allow time in between classes to clean and air-out studios before reuse.
- Dancers are asked to leave promptly to allow for cleaning and aeration to take place.
- Dancers and staff are required to sanitise or wash their hands before leaving the building.

Should anyone contact DPK Ballet to let them know they have tested positive for COVID-19, we would immediately notify THE PLACE and all participants in the class.