# AHRC funded Dance Educator's Network: Critical Dance Pedagogy through Discourse and Practice



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Symposium: Exploring Intersectionality, Intertextualities, Identities, and Inequalities

Date: Friday, 1st March 2024

**Time:** 10.00am- 5:00pm (registration from 9.30am)

Venue: Canterbury Christ Church University (CCCU) & Online

# **Event overview and objectives:**

This is the first symposium event of a series from the AHRC funded Dance Educator's Network, dedicated to Critical Dance Pedagogy.

Join us for a participatory day fostering networking, collaboration, knowledge exchange, and exploration of some transformative practices in Critical Dance Pedagogy.

Engage in discussions and workshops around addressing social assumptions, structural power relations, and inequities within dance and dance education. The day will delve into the themes of Intersectionality, Intertextualities, Identities, and Inequalities. Hosted at Canterbury Christ Church University and online, the symposium aims to connect academics, dance educators working at secondary, FE

and HE, researchers, artists, and industry stakeholders, to foster networking, collaboration and knowledge exchange through discourse and practice to:

- raise awareness of social exclusions within dance education;
- initiate change by deconstructing power structures;
- share some inclusive and transformative pedagogical practices;
- foster greater understanding of equity, diversity, inclusion, and studentcentered pedagogy.

# **Event schedule (draft):**

9:30am - 10:00am: Registration

**10:00am - 10:30am:** Welcome address by Professor Angela Pickard (CCCU) and Introduction to the Network and Critical Dance Pedagogy (Ag08 and online)

**10:30am - 11:40am:** Session 1 -Option to engage in a workshop or panel discussion:

**Workshop 1** Exploring empowerment through inclusion in creative community spaces -Ash Mukherjee (Samped Arts).

This session will explore how choice and empowerment can be facilitated in creative community spaces.

#### OR

**Workshop 2** Adapting movement to suit different bodies- Natasha Britton (Parable Dance).

This session will be both practical and discussion based, giving an introduction to movement translation techniques which can be applied in multiple dance settings.

#### OR

**Panel Discussion** – join members of the Critical Dance Network and engage in a themed discussion.

11:40am - 12:00pm: Break and refreshments

**12:00pm - 1:00pm:** Session 2- Option to engage in a workshop or panel discussion:

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1:00pm - 2:00pm: Lunch and networking

2:00pm- 3:30pm: Session 3- Keynote:

Critical and culturally responsive pedagogies: Dr. Nyama McCarthy-Brown, (The Ohio State University, USA)

3:30pm - 4:30pm: Session 4- Knowledge Café & refreshments:

Network together and engage in themed table discussions.

**4:20pm - 5:00pm:** Plenary, reflections, action plan and evaluation.

# Registration:

This symposium is free to attend but is limited to 50 in-person places.

Please use this link or QR code to register as either an in-person or online participant: https://forms.office.com/e/DvfjxYE6jW



# Some useful links and guides:

Getting to the Canterbury Campus: <a href="https://www.canterbury.ac.uk/about-us/contact-information-and-locations/locations-and-maps/canterbury-campus-maps-and-directions">https://www.canterbury.ac.uk/about-us/contact-information-and-locations/locations-and-maps/canterbury-campus-maps-and-directions</a>

# **Hotels near Canterbury Christ Church University**:

https://www.tripadvisor.co.uk/HotelsNear-g186310-d7887682-Canterbury Christ Church University-Kent England.html

Restaurants in Canterbury: <a href="https://www.tripadvisor.co.uk/Restaurants-g186311-Canterbury Kent England.html">https://www.tripadvisor.co.uk/Restaurants-g186311-Canterbury Kent England.html</a>

# **Best Budget-Friendly Things to Do in Canterbury:**

https://www.tripadvisor.co.uk/Attractions-g186311-Activities-zft11309-Canterbury Kent England.html