

Membership Policy Dance Co-operative Birmingham CIC

1. Eligibility

- a) Membership is open to those studying, working or aspiring to work in dance and/or movement.
- b) Membership is open to anyone from across the UK.
- c) Members must be over 18 years old.

2. Applications

- a) Membership applications shall be made using DCB's application form only.
- b) Applications will be decided by the Directors and may provisionally be rejected if:
 - (1) The applicant does not meet the eligibility criteria;
 - (2) The applicant had previously been expelled from DCB and the Directors have not approved their re-admission.

3. Representations

- a) If a membership application is provisionally rejected, DCB will notify the applicant of the reason and the right to make representation to the Directors.
- b) The Directors shall consider the representation fairly and decide the application by a majority vote.

4. Members Obligations

- a) All members shall:
 - (1) be responsible for ensuring that their membership subscriptions, contact details and data permissions are up-to-date;
 - (2) Agree to and abide by DCB's Code of Conduct;
 - (3) Refrain from conduct that is detrimental to the interests of DCB;
 - (4) Pay the correct subscription and keep payments up to date via setting up of a direct debit through the link provided by DCB.
- b) Failure for a member to comply with the obligations at 4.a may result in that member being expelled.

5. Ending Membership

- a) A member may end their membership in writing to DCB either online via email or through the post.
- b) Membership ends automatically for an expelled member.
- c) All money paid to DCB by a member who resigns or is expelled shall be forfeited to the co-operative.
- d) Membership shall end automatically on a member failing to pay their subscription.

6. Re-joining

a) A member who has resigned or lost membership (for any reason) may apply to re-join CDB. The Directors will decide the application in accordance with these policies.

7. Fees and Subscriptions

- a) The membership fee shall be decided by the Directors from time to time.
- b) CDB shall decide on different membership types from time to time. Details of the criteria that apply to the different types and associated subscription rates shall be available on DCB's website.
- c) The membership subscription shall be payable monthly via a continuous payment method i.e. direct debit.

- d) A member may change their subscription type at any time. In the event of a member reducing their membership type/subscription fee, DCB cannot refund monies already paid.
- e) Payment will be required by members to access additional activity not included in the membership. These fees will be set by the directors and payable in advance.
- f) Refunds cannot be made on additional activity not included in the membership.

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