



Step into Dance



The Jack Petchey Foundation's Step into Dance programme is an open access initiative for 11-16 year olds, run in partnership with the Royal Academy of Dance.

Step into Dance runs in **100** London secondary schools across **13** boroughs



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The scheme provides weekly extra-curricular classes for young people who would not otherwise have an opportunity to pursue their passion and develop their dance skills.

In particular, the programme seeks to **involve young men and young people with a disability.**

The Street Dance element of the programme has allowed a number of young men who were at risk of exclusion to stay in school and achieve success, by providing them with an outlet for their energy and teaching them self discipline and team work.

Teaching covers a range of dance techniques and styles, including:

- Bollywood
- Breakdance
- Capoeira
- Contemporary
- Jazz
- Jive
- Musical theatre
- Street Dance



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The scheme hosts regular events throughout the year, giving students the opportunity to perform in front of friends, family and other students.

The Foundation also puts on a yearly celebratory event, **Step LIVE!** where the most talented and exciting groups from the programme perform in a prestigious London venue. This year, a special performance from a Gifted & Talented group of Step students will perform at Sadler's Wells as part of Big Dance 2010 and to celebrate 10 years of the Jack Petchey Foundation.

For more information or to view photos and videos, visit www.stepintodance.org

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