

# MEMBER BENEFITS

As a Theatre and Dance NI member, you have access to our membership benefits which are designed to support you as an individual or organisation.



## Developing

- One-to-One Member Support Sessions
- Professional Development Training
- Skills Development Sessions
- Bursary Programmes
- Equipment Hire



## Connecting

- Networking Events
- Member Event's Clash Diary
- Member's Monthly E-Zine
- Freelancers Directory
- Tourbook Showcase



## Advocating

- Membership Assistance Programme
- Advocacy Work
- Extensive List of Resources
- Access NI Checks

# Developing



**One-to-One Member Support:** Sessions provide professional advice that can cover: career development, training, funding opportunities and providing support in how to further your work or project.

**Professional Development:** Training is rolled out on a regular basis to develop the professional skills and capabilities of both individuals and organisations. Most recent training has included: IP & Copyright, Contract Negotiation and Writing, Digital Skills Training, Theatre Tax Relief and Covid-19 Support Sessions.

**Skills Development:** Sessions support members at all stage in their career in further their practical and artistic skills. Previous sessions have included masterclass workshops with Jo Egan (Writing), Ita O'Brien (Intimacy Training and Choreography), Post-Pieces (Mental Health and Wellbeing) and Annie Ryan (Movement).

**Bursaries:** Are available to allow members to continue to grow professionally. For everything from training and workshops, to attendance at summer schools and festivals. (currently limited due to COVID restrictions).

**Equipment Hire:** Members can access essential equipment at affordable rates. These include ballet barres, dance floors, outdoor events sound system, captioning equipment and more.



## Connecting

**Networking Events:** Conferences and workshops help members create lasting connections with peers and external partners.

**Clash Diary:** Promotes and showcases member's events on our website and social media, while also sharing the latest Event News with the wider sector.

**E-Zine:** TDNI's E-Zine shares recent jobs, events and sector wide news to an interested and eager mailing list, while also promoting the work of our members.

**Freelancers Directory:** A platform for freelance theatre and performing arts-focused practitioners and consultants to advertise their skills to potential employers.

**Tourbook:** A space for performers in dance, theatre, music, comedy and other areas to showcase their work and connect with promoters and venues – ideal for programmers, performers and promoters to agents, networks and venue managers.

# Advocating



**Membership Assistance Programme:** This benefit offers confidential, independent and professional counselling, along with a range of well-being support services through a personalised application. This is offered in partnership with SpectrumLife.

**Advocacy work:** We continue improving conditions for our members through building strategic partnerships and engaging with other public and private sector organisations.

**Extensive List of Resources:** Created from our various professional development sessions, resources are available to assist our members on how they may operate day-to-day, to how they work at a strategic level. These include; 'Venue and studio lists in Northern Ireland', 'guide to dealing with bullying and harassment', 'further education funding resources', COVID support documents and many more.

**Access NI checks:** Accessible and affordable checks provided through a partnership with Replay Theatre Company.