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Matthew Bourne's
CINDERELLA
Music by Prokofiev

SCHOOLS TOUR

Participation in the New Adventures' Schools Tour

Whether you're teaching in a college, primary, secondary or SEND school, we're here to help inspire Joy, Creativity, Connection and Growth in your classroom through participation in New Adventures Schools Tour. Find out more about how your school can get involved in inclusive workshops around our production of *Cinderella* when the show is performing at your local theatre.

About New Adventures

New Adventures is an iconic and ground-breaking dance-theatre company. Since 1987, we have been known for creating works that have altered the public perception of what is possible when it comes to telling stories without words. The company is led by celebrated choreographer and director, Sir Matthew Bourne.

About *Cinderella* Schools Tour

Returning this November with a 30th Anniversary celebration of one of New Adventures' most popular and beloved productions, Matthew Bourne's *Cinderella* is a thrilling and evocative love story, set in London during the Second World War.

Matthew Bourne's epic interpretation of the classic fairytale, has, at its heart, a true war-time romance. A chance meeting results in a magical night for Cinderella and her dashing young RAF pilot, together just long enough to fall in love before they are parted by the horrors of the Blitz.

To coincide with the production, two New Adventures Dance Artists will tour to schools in each location where the show is being presented to deliver workshops connected to the show. The opportunities on offer are designed to introduce young people and their teachers to the unique dance style of New Adventures and the way we create our work through insight into the creative and choreographic process behind *Cinderella*.

Through taking part, you and your students will be provided the opportunity to:

- Practically explore the ideas and movement language of *Cinderella*.
- Go on an adventure of discovery and expression through New Adventures' unique storytelling language and playful creative methods.
- Learn more about the work of New Adventures and career pathways in theatre.

Joy, Creativity, Connection and Growth are at the heart of all our work with schools and young people. We are committed to working with people of all backgrounds and dance experience, to share our passion for dance, theatre and creativity.



"The Students were a little apprehensive as they've never experienced a workshop before, but the artists immediately put them at ease. The workshop was well pitched to suitably challenge the students. There was a lovely variety of activities and they achieved so much! Thank you."

St Cuthbert Mayne School

Workshop Offer

We have a range of workshops available for Key Stage 1–5, Further Education and SEND settings. We also work with teachers to develop their practice as artists and educators through CPD training sessions that explore storytelling and accessible ways into dance.

Our workshops have been created with an in-built flexibility, using a general scaffold on which we can deliver an interesting, ability-appropriate session that is tailored to meet the needs of your students. To find out more about the opportunities on offer that are relevant to your school, please read on.

“Both dance artists did an outstanding job to create a warm, safe, inclusive environment. Pupils loved the workshop and felt comfortable to express themselves throughout. Thank you so much.”

Sacred Heart School



For Primary Schools (Key Stage 1 & 2)

Have fun taking part in a story-centred workshop where participants will explore how to convey stories through movement, expression and dance. The students will learn and create movement through participation in creative tasks and immersive games inspired by New Adventures’ unique approach to movement-based storytelling. A Q&A with the Dance Artists will round off the session plus an opportunity to celebrate the students’ creativity by sharing the work created.

This workshop is ideal for Primary Schools wanting to grow their students’ confidence, teamwork and leadership skills as well as fitness, wellbeing, imagination and creativity.

Participants will develop their dance and movement skills in a fun and inspiring environment. It can support the following curriculum areas: PE, PSHCE and Literacy.

Workshops can range in length depending on your needs. For Key Stage 1 & 2, we recommend a maximum workshop length of up to 1.5 hours.



For Secondary Schools (Key Stage 3 & 4)

We have two options:

1. Introduction to *Cinderella* and the world of New Adventures

An engaging and fun introduction to Matthew Bourne’s *Cinderella* and his practice. The students will learn and create movement through participation in creative tasks and immersive games inspired by New Adventures’ unique approach to movement-based storytelling and the show. A Q&A with the Dance Artists will round off the session plus an opportunity to celebrate the students’ creativity by sharing the work created.

This workshop is ideal for Secondary Schools wanting to increase the profile of dance in their school as well as grow their students’ confidence, teamwork and leadership skills, imagination and creativity. Participants will develop their dance and movement skills in a fun and inspiring environment. It is ideal for participants with little to no dance experience.



2. Intensive Insight — *Cinderella* and the world of New Adventures

A deep dive into Matthew Bourne’s practice and the *Cinderella* production. The students will gain a deeper understanding of Matthew Bourne’s choreographic style and explore a wider range of the movement and storytelling techniques used by New Adventures to create our work. Participants will learn a section of repertoire from *Cinderella* along with exploring it creatively. A Q&A with the Dance Artists will round off the session, offering an opportunity for the participants to hear more about the world of New Adventures.

This workshop is ideal for Secondary Schools wanting to develop their students’ understanding of storytelling through dance. Students will develop their performance skills with a focus on characterisation, technique and repertoire. It is ideal for participants who are studying the performing arts, or who have previous dance experience.

For Key Stage 3, we recommend a minimum workshop length of 1.5 hours. For Key Stage 4, we recommend a minimum workshop length of 2.5 hours.

Workshop Offer



For A Level & BTEC Students (Key Stage 5)

An in-depth exploration of *Cinderella* and Matthew Bourne as a practitioner. As well as learning movement, repertoire and performance skills inspired by *Cinderella*, the workshop will provide an opportunity for students to critically engage with the work of New Adventures, Matthew Bourne's influences, inspirations and creative processes. A Q&A with the Dance Artists will round off the session, offering an opportunity for the participants to hear more about life as a professional dancer and progression pathways into a career in the arts.

This workshop is ideal for Secondary Schools or Colleges who want their students to fully explore the world of Matthew Bourne and New Adventures on both a practical and theoretical level. It is ideal for participants who are studying A Level Drama, Theatre or Dance or BTEC Performing Arts students.

For Key Stage 5, we recommend a minimum workshop length of 2.5 hours.



For SEND Schools (Suitable for all ages)

Our New Adventures workshops can be adapted to suit the needs of SEND young people. The non-verbal, image-based nature of our dance style means that intrinsically our work is inclusive and accessible to all abilities, backgrounds and levels of experience.

Our Dance Artists are experienced at open and flexible delivery, adapting to a group's learning style and requirements as well as creating the right atmosphere in a workshop to ensure your students have the best possible experience.

If you would like to discuss how we can work together to adapt a workshop, so it is tailor made to support the needs of your class or school, please contact your local theatre in the first instance.



CPD – For Teachers

Join our Dance Artists for a Continuing Professional Development workshop that will introduce you and your colleagues to practical exercises, tools and tips for teaching dance and movement in the classroom.

In this session, we will share our experience of working with young people in a variety of settings and explore New Adventures' dance style and choreographic approach through warm up exercises, physical games, dance phrases and creative tasks that can be added to your tool kit.

This workshop is ideally suited to teachers of Drama, Dance or those who teach dance as PE, with an interest in storytelling through movement.



Careers Workshop

Take part in an interactive careers workshop where students will gain insight into the various job options in theatre through the lens of a New Adventures production. Two Dance Artists will share insight into how New Adventures brings together individuals and organisations from across the creative industries to make its shows. Participants will hear more about the key roles and how they collaborate, as well as the milestones of a production process that must be met prior to audiences witnessing the magic of one of our shows on stage.

“Fab artists. So understanding and thoughtful. Lovely range of activities and the artists made such an effort to ensure every child was heard.”

Morice Town Primary

Key Information & How To Book

This work is delivered in partnership with our placemaking theatre partners, ensuring that relationships with schools can be nurtured, sustained and deepened long after the *Cinderella* Schools Tour.

- Our workshops are delivered by trained Dance Artists from the New Adventures professional company. Our team is DBS checked, has received safeguarding training, and is experienced in working with young people.
- Book us to visit your school for a single workshop, half day or full day. We will work with you to create a schedule that is workable for your school.
- Workshops are recommended for groups of 5–30 participants. If you have any specific requirements, or your group size differs, please get in touch with your local theatre.
- Teaching staff are required to be present or participate in the entirety of the workshop. Teachers are asked to prepare the students for the workshop using bespoke resources that will be sent directly to the school upon booking. Our *Cinderella* 'Learn & Explore' resource is also available to deepen the learning post visit.
- Groups do not need to see *Cinderella* to benefit from participation in a workshop. If you are interested in booking tickets for the show, please speak directly to your local theatre.
- **Please book workshops directly through your local theatre who will also advise on the cost.**



“What a brilliant experience! Paul and Shelby were great with our students. The workshop was engaging and appropriate for all levels and the students had the best time. Some of it was out of their comfort zone but they had excellent guidance.”

Bitterne Park School

Find Out More

To explore our Take Part activity [click here](#)

To find out more about New Adventures' production of *Cinderella* [click here](#)

To get to know the New Adventures team [click here](#), or to meet the dancers [click here](#)

To learn more about New Adventures [visit our website](#) and find us on social media

“Fabulous! The artists worked so well and patiently with our students to develop their confidence. Great material taught and it was really helpful for the students to see how a section can come together from initial ideas.”

Leigh Academy Minster

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