



**Creative  
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Places**

# Two new-found Hounslow Dance Groups Selected to Perform in DanceWest's Festival

Two Hounslow dance groups, made up of local residents with no prior experience, have been selected out of 80 dance companies to take part in Ignition Community Dance Platform, produced by DanceWest at Lyric Hammersmith on Saturday 3 June.

DanceWest supports West London communities to engage and participate in dance. Based at the Lyric Hammersmith we are a nonprofit organisation founded in 2014 by Rosie Whitney-Fish.

The groups have had just two months since their formation to pick up new dance skills, learning choreography and get a show stage ready. Challenging and rewarding at the same time, to be sharing the stage with world renowned dance companies so soon is both nerve-racking and thrilling.

The **Community Bhangra** (Heston and Cranford Hub) and **Fusion Dance Group** (Feltham Hub) were set up two months ago following consultation with locals, in partnership with Creative People and Places Hounslow. Creative People and Places Hounslow is an Arts Council-funded project managed by Watermans in Hounslow, together with six partner organisations.

The pace of progress and the opportunity to perform on a world stage show what grass roots projects like this can achieve when they work hand in glove with local people.

The event will be hosted by MC Hakeem Onibudo, is open to everyone and tickets cost just £5-7. To book your tickets visit the Lyric Hammersmith's website, [www.lyric.co.uk](http://www.lyric.co.uk)

Community Bhangra takes place on Tuesdays during term time from 6:30-7:30pm at Beavers Library, 103 Salisbury Rd, Hounslow TW4 7NW The cost is £20 per term.

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## **About Creative People and Places**

Creative People and Places Hounslow is part of the Creative People and Places programme, initiated and funded by Arts Council England through the National Lottery. Creative People and Places is about more people taking the lead in choosing, creating and taking part in art experiences in the

places where they live. There are 21 independent projects, each located in an area where people have traditionally had fewer opportunities to get involved with the arts. Creative People and Places projects have reached over 1.45 million people, 91% of who do not regularly engage in the arts.

[www.creativepeopleplaces.org.uk](http://www.creativepeopleplaces.org.uk)

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