

AUSTRALIAN **DANCE** AWARDS PUBLIC PROGRAM

A DAY OF PERFORMANCES AND WORKSHOPS FOR ALL AGES

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The Australian Dance Awards are being presented in Melbourne for the first time in 2008. To celebrate, Ausdance Victoria has put together the first ever Australian Dance Awards Public Program, which will transform the Arts Centre precinct into a swirl of colour and movement for the entire day leading up to the evening's gala ceremony.

Kid's Dance Workshop 10.00-11.30am @ ArtPlay

Children can experience the colourful, fun, high energy dances of the Ukrainian Cossacks with Verchovyna Ukrainian Dance Ensemble. Suitable for boys and girls aged 8-12 years.

\$10, bookings essential through ArtPlay on 9664 7900.



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Fresh Dance New Beats performances 12.30pm repeated at 2.30pm @ the Arts Centre, ANZ Pavilion

- :: Tasty new collaborations between cultural dance groups and professional choreographers, specially made for this occasion and performed for the first time! Polynesian and Ukrainian dances meet hip hop, and Classical Indian and traditional Sri Lankan dances meet contemporary.
 - :: Fusian Pacific Hip Hop Dance Alliance + Arna Singleton (aka Robotgirl) (hip hop)
 - :: Poly Nation + Nikki Ashby (hip hop)
 - :: Natya Sudha Dance Company + Tara Rajkumar (Classical Indian) + Jacob Boehme (contemporary)
 - :: Rangana & Udumbara Dance Troupe (Sri Lankan) + Fiona Cameron (contemporary)
 - :: Verchovyna Ukrainian Dance Ensemble + Nikki Ashby (hip hop & contemporary)
 - :: Creative Facilitator: Jodie Farrugia
 - :: 12.30 performance will be Auslan-interpreted
- FREE**

'Open Stage'

**11.00am - 4pm @ the Arts Centre,
Black Box**

A continuous menu of short performances and workshops throughout the day, from ballet to hip hop to African to contemporary. Get up and dance or just get inspired by this sample of the rich variety of dance that is part of Melbourne. Full timetable details available on website from 1 June.

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All venues are wheelchair accessible.