

DANCE TOGETHER STAND TOGETHER MOVE IT TOGETHER

WELCOME TO MOVE IT

This year we're encouraging you to embrace this MOVE IT mantra and bring a strong sense of unity and community to the show.

Each one of us is on our own unique dance journey, with lots to share and learn from each other. Bring an open mind and be ready to take on new dance styles, new experiences, share your support for all our performers across all the stages and connect with dancers of all backgrounds and abilities.

A huge welcome to our Creative Ambassadors for 2018: Neil and Katya Jones. Dancing with celebrity Joe McFadden, Katya was crowned champion of BBC1's Strictly Come Dancing 2017. Fresh off the Strictly tour Neil and Katya jump straight into MOVE IT. Performing, judging, speaking, signing and even launching Katya's new clothing and ballroom shoe range – there is nothing this power couple cannot do!

From studio to stage MOVE IT proudly brings you some of the top names in dance; Aston Merrygold, Adam Garcia, Jonny Labey, Kalani Hilliker, Flawless, Kobi Rozenfold, Tara Jean Popowich, Ryan Jenkins, Lukas McFarlane, Motionhouse, Boadicea, Brandon Lawrence (Birmingham Royal Ballet), Steph Elswood to name a few!

You can also be inspired by some of the rising stars of the UK dance scene; BBC Young Dance Finalists Jodelle Douglas & John-William Watson, Dance Mums stars Tayluer Amos & Eleiyah Navis and CBBC's Taking the Next Step dancers Harrison Vaughan, Amie Boyd and Kai Scanlan.

MOVE IT PRO returns with its mission to educate and empower. From masterclasses, workshops and educational seminars, it's all specially designed for teachers, educators, dance professionals and recent graduates. DanceLAB is back for a second year with intensive choreographic workshops led by Studio Wayne McGregor and Motionhouse.

Brand new for 2018 are two brilliant new features guaranteed to entertain:

» The very cool Super Funk Roller Disco, with laser lights, fresh DJ sets and dazzling performances. It doesn't stop there – you can get involved with open skate sessions and amazing dance classes across the weekend.

» #MOVEITAfterDark – that's right if you want to extend your day and watch incredible performers battle it out for the winning title in the MOVE IT & Capezio Championships – then join us for a first ever evening show! There will be celebrity Judges, incredible talent and lots of audience fun – don't miss this X-Factor Style late night event that will present the future of dance.

Thanks for being part of MOVE IT 2018! We work year round to bring you a fantastic show, so make the most of every minute at the show and dance, dance dance!

Peace, love and pirouettes,

TIA HASSAN, ZARA RUSH & KATE SCANLAN
CREATIVE TEAM

