BIRMINGHAM ROYAL BALLET

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> Birmingham Royal Ballet are offering a free Adult Beginners Taster Class part of *Let's Dance* a new UK wide initiative Founded by Angela Rippon CBE



Credit: Lachlan Monaghan

The acclaimed **Birmingham Royal Ballet** will be hosting **free Adult Beginners Taster Classes** to coincide with the forthcoming *Let's Dance Day* on Sunday 2 March.

The Adult Beginners Taster Classes, at BRB's ballet studios in Thorp Street, Birmingham City Centre, offers adults with no prior ballet experience to join BRB and discover the joy of ballet in a friendly and supportive class.

The free classes, **part of the UK wide** *Let's* **Dance initiative founded by Angela Rippon CBE**, is a national campaign to inspire everyone in the UK to embrace dance as a way to improve their health, connect with others, and have fun. **Paul Reeve's BRB's Interim Director of LEAP** the company's dedicated Learning, Engagement, Access and Participation team said "*BRB already engages with thousands of people annually across the West Midlands and the wider UK through an extensive programme of workshops, training and career development opportunities. So, we're delighted to be contributing to this first* Let's Dance *campaign to help inspire people to participate in dance, no matter what their age or previous experience.*"

The Adult Beginners Taster Classes will provide an exciting opportunity for attendees to visit BRB's ballet studios and take part in a live class with professional dance practitioner **Rosie Price**, BA Hons, MSc, CBTS (RTS RAD), who trained at Elmhurst Ballet School, Birmingham and Rambert School of Ballet and Contemporary Dance.

Rosie will be accompanied on piano by Birmingham Conservatoire Graduate **Ian Richards** who has worked extensively as an opera répétiteur, vocal coach and directed many musicals.

Places for adults aged 18 or over are limited and are offered on a first come first served basis.

For further information and to book please go to <u>www.brb.org.uk</u> For information on *Let's Dance* visit <u>https://lets-dance.org.uk/</u>

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Notes to Editors

Birmingham Royal Ballet

Based at Birmingham Hippodrome, Birmingham Royal Ballet is the United Kingdom's leading touring ballet company performing a range of traditional, classical and heritage ballets as well as ground-breaking new works with the aim of encouraging choreographers of the future. The Company's Director since January 2020 is the internationally renowned Carlos Acosta. Birmingham Royal Ballet standardly performs at Birmingham Hippodrome for

approximately ten weeks of the year and the remainder of the year tours throughout the United Kingdom and overseas. On average, the Company performs 100 shows a year nationally and internationally.