



Cris Penfold

Curriculum Vitae

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Permanent Teaching Experience

LONDON STUDIO CENTRE

Jul 2005 – Present

Jazz, Tap, MT Rep, Matt Mattox, Ballet Teacher (Foundation Course, 1st - 3rd Years, MA students)

Teaching students aged 16+ weekly lessons on degree and diploma courses and carrying out their summative assessments. Also teaching Jazz in the auditions for the school and interviewing recalled candidates. Choreographing for end of term shows. Teaching on the Summer School and I also ran and managed the Summer School for three years.

Head of LSC Associates

June 2013 – Present

Managing and organising the LSC Associates programme for 9-18 year old students (Senior, Mid and Junior Associates).

Organising staff, administration, designing the course, auditions for intake, communicating with parents of students and responsible for student welfare. Artistic direction of the end of year showcase. Reviewing the programmes and updating. Overseeing the London and West Midlands branches as well as being the Principal of the London branch. Managing numerous staff.

Module Leader

Sept 2015-Present

Managing and collating information for specific module handbooks for BA and FdA courses around versatile training. Being involved with course validations, creating units/schemes of work and QAA Reviews. Preparing students to plan ahead with lectures and a specific assessment regarding planning and preparation. Preparing students for and marking written assignments and assessing oral presentations. Involved in various meetings regarding course reviews, updates and improvements including the Academic Board, Board of Studies and Student Support and Progress Committee.

Head of LSC Juniors

Sept 2014 – July 2021

Managing and organising the LSC Associates course for 3-15 year old students.

Organising staff, administration, designing the course, auditions for intake, communicating with parents of students and responsible for student welfare. Artistic direction of the end of year showcase.

Head of Summer School

July 2016 – August 2018

Managing and organising the Summer School including organising invitations for overseas students.

ELMHURST BALLET SCHOOL

Jan 2023 – Present

Upper School Jazz Teacher (Years 10-13, Grad Year)

Started with guest classes and choreographing their graduate year for the 100th Year Anniversary showcase. Since then have been appointed as the Upper School Jazz teacher.

THE MTA

Nov 2013 – Present

Matt Mattox Teacher (1st - 2nd Years), Deputy Head of Dance

Teaching students aged 18-21+ weekly lessons. Choreographing for end of term shows.

BBO.DANCE

Mar 2007 - Present

Jazz Scholars Teacher, Teachers Course, CPD Courses

Teaching Jazz lessons to the BBO Jazz Scholars South aged 12-18 on a monthly basis.

Also, teaching workshops for the teachers in training for their DTLLS and CPD masterclasses.

Teaching on their yearly Easter course (ages 6-18) and putting on a showing of work.

TEACHER OF

JAZZ

- Technique
- Performance
- Musical Theatre
- Lyrical
- Commercial
- Matt Mattox

TAP

- Technique
- American
- Musical Theatre

BALLET

- Classical
- Contemporary Ballet

MUSICAL THEATRE REP

BALLROOM (BASIC)

EDUCATION/ QUALIFICATIONS

BRITISH BALLET

ORGANISATION/TRINITY

- DTLLS (Dance) Level 5

LONDON STUDIO CENTRE

BA (Hons) in Theatre Dance

NEW COLLEGE, SWINDON

BTEC in Performing Arts

First Aider

Mental Health First Aider

Full driving license

REFERENCES

ALISON DESBOIS

London Studio Centre –
Head of Jazz
adesbois@londonstudiocentre.ac.uk

AARON FRANCIS

Mountview - Head of Dance
aaronfrancis@mountview.org.uk

SELINA HAMILTON

The MTA – Head of Dance
selina@themta.co.uk

OTHER

Head Adjudicator for the
Dance World Cup -
International dance
competition (and
masterclass teacher).

Dance Consultant for CHR
Talent Agency

Mentoring and training by
Body of People (BOP) under
the guidance of Dollie Henry
and Paul Jenkins
dollie.henry@bop.org.uk

Enhanced DBS (up to date)

ITALIA CONTI

Sept 2019 – July 2021

Jazz, (1st - 3rd Years),

Teaching students aged 18+ weekly lessons on degree and diploma courses, classes include jazz technique, swing training and musical theatre repertoire alongside a music director. Now a regular cover teacher.

TIFFANY THEATRE COLLEGE

Oct 2021 – Oct 2022

Jazz, MT Rep (1st - 3rd Years)

Teaching students aged 16+ weekly lessons on diploma courses, classes include jazz technique and music theatre performance and repertoire. Choreographed for their Christmas show.

MOUNTVIEW ACADEMY OF THEATRE ARTS

Feb 2014 – November 2021

Jazz, Tap, Ballet Teacher (1st - 2nd Years)

Teaching students aged 18+ on MT and Acting Courses weekly lessons. Also taking the auditions.

CPA STUDIOS

Jan 2012 – July 2018

Matt Mattox Teacher (1st - 3rd Years)

Teaching students aged 16+ weekly lessons and carrying out their assessments.

THE URDANG ACADEMY

Sept 2009 – Jul 2011

Jazz, Tap, MT Rep Teacher (Foundation Course, 1st - 3rd Years)

Teaching students aged 16+ weekly lessons on degree and diploma courses and carrying out their assessments. Choreograph for end of term shows.

Cover/Guest Teaching/Masterclasses

PERFORMERS COLLEGE BIRMINGHAM	Tap
CENTRAL SCHOOL OF SPEECH & DRAMA (Annually)	Jazz/Tap/Ballroom
LAINE THEATRE ARTS	Jazz
L.I.P.A.	Jazz
BODYWORKS	Tap
SCENE II	Jazz, Tap
THE BRIT SCHOOL	Tap
MOVE IT!	Jazz
SCOTTISH DANCE TEACHERS ALLIANCE	MT Workshop
DANCEWORKS (Cheltenham)	Jazz
TLW Dance (Shaftesbury)	MT / Jazz
DANCE WORLD CUP – Workshops internationally for various countries	MT / Jazz
LA ACADEMIE SYPLHIDE (Bucharest, Romania)	Jazz
MINOH DANCE STUDIO (Japan)	MT / Jazz
MARBELLA DANCE SCHOOL (Spain)	Jazz
Various dance schools nationally and internationally	

Performing Experience

42 ND STREET	Ensemble
Théâtre du Châtelet	Dir/Chor: Stephen Mear
SCROOGE (2022)	Dancer
Netflix Animation	Chor: Will Tuckett
CHRISTMAS AT HOME – THE PUPPINI SISTERS	Guest Artist - Tap Dancer
Live Stream	
EMMA (2020)	Dancer
Feature Film – Perfect World Pictures	Dir: Autumn de Wilde / Chor: Michael Nunn
GUYS AND DOLLS	Ensemble
Royal Albert Hall	Dir/Chor: Stephen Mear
SINGIN' IN THE RAIN	Ensemble
Grand Palais / Théâtre du Châtelet	Dir: Robert Carson / Chor: Stephen Mear
TOP HAT	Ensemble
Kilworth House	Dir/Chor: Stephen Mear
KISS ME KATE	Ensemble
UK Tour – Opera North	Dir: Jo Davies / Chor: Will Tuckett

DOCTOR THORNE TV Series - ITV	Dancer Dir: Niall MacCormick / Chor: Dale Mercer
WIND IN THE WILLOWS Vaudeville Theatre / Duchess Theatre / Royal Opera House	Toad Dir/Chor: Will Tuckett
MUPPETS MOST WANTED Feature Film - Walt Disney Studios	Dancer Dir James Bobin / Chor: Francesca Jaynes
WEST SIDE STORY The Sage, Gateshead	Diesel Dir/Chor: Will Tuckett
GREAT EXPECTATIONS Feature Film - BBC Films	Waltz Dancer Dir: Mike Newell / Chor: Francesca Jaynes
SOHO CINDERS Queens Theatre	Ensemble Dir: Jonathan Butterell / Chor: Drew McOnie
HUGO Feature Film - GK Films	Dancer Dir: Martin Scorsese / Chor: Diana Scrivener
WEST SIDE STORY UK Tour	Snowboy Original Choreography by Jerome Robbins. Revived and Directed by Joey McKneely
WE WILL ROCK YOU Theater 11, Zurich / Raimund Theater, Vienna	Ensemble Dir: Ben Elton / Chor: Arlene Phillips
DEATH IN VENICE London Coliseum	Dancer Swing Dir: Deborah Warner / Chor: Kim Brandstrup
ON THE TOWN London Coliseum	Ensemble Dir: Jude Kelly / Chor: Stephen Mear
A JOURNEY OF JAZZ Sadler's Wells	Dancer - Soloist Created by Jazz company Body of People (Dollie Henry & Paul Jenkins)
OLIVER! London Palladium	Children's Ensemble Dir: Sam Mendes / Chor: Matthew Bourne

Various music videos, television experience and pantomimes

Choreography Experience

UNIVERSAL STUDIOS JAPAN - Audition Choreographer	(Annually)
CHR AGENCY- Audition Choreographer	(Annually)
KMC AGENCIES - Audition Choreographer	
LEGACY – Choreographer	Lillian Bayliss Theatre, London
DANCE OVERTURE (Annually) – Choreographer	New Wimbledon Theatre
CINDERELLA – Choreographer	Bernie Grant Arts Centre, London
WEST SIDE STORY – Choreographer	Wyvern Theatre, Swindon
ANYTHING GOES – Choreographer	Wyvern Theatre, Swindon
MOVING FORWARD – Choreographer	The Urdang Academy
CHICAGO – Choreographer	Phoenix Theatre, Swindon
UP THE REVOLUTION! – Choreographer	Phoenix Theatre, Swindon
LAZYTOWN LIVE! – Assistant Choreographer	Hammersmith Apollo / UK Tour
DICK WHITTINGTON – Assistant Choreographer	Milton Keynes Theatre
CINDERELLA – Assistant Choreographer	Theatre Royal, Plymouth