

The Circus Space

Powerhouse of Britain's Contemporary Circus

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APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP – ADULT CIRCUS ART COURSES

Please complete and return before the 5th January 2008

INTRODUCTION

The Circus Space Adult Circus Art Courses aim to be accessible to all. No student should be discouraged by lack of financial means, learning difficulties or any other reason that is beyond their control to make an application to join the Circus Art Courses.

WHAT ARE THE SCHOLARSHIPS?

Two scholarships have been made available for students living in London who might not otherwise be able to afford to train at The Circus Space. Priority for these places will go to students living in our local boroughs of Hackney and Tower Hamlets, however we will support students from across London if places are available. No money will change hands. The scholarships are issued in the form of subsidised training rather than the giving of money. If awarded, it will entitle you to a subsidised space on the Adult programmes' Circus Art Courses.

Scholarship spaces are limited and the final decision will be made by comparing individual applicants' needs. We urge applicants to supply all relevant information in good faith and we reserve the right to ask for documentation if we feel that this is needed in making our assessment. All information shared with us is confidential and will not be passed on to any third parties or used for any other purposes.

Students who are awarded a scholarship will be expected to make a commitment to The Circus Space. They will have to attend classes regularly and will not be able to miss more than two classes in a 15-week term without discussing it with the programme manager.

Successful applicants will be awarded a scholarship for three courses (1-year). After 1-year awardees can apply for a second scholarship for the second year of training on the Circus Art Courses.

Scholars may be requested to represent The Adult Programme and The Circus Space at events and meetings.

OTHER INFORMATION

We are unable to offer students any support to cover costs of transport, equipment or additional classes on or outside of The Adult Programme.

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REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICANTS

You should read all of this information before starting to write your application, and relate your answers to the specifications outlined below, as these are the areas that the panel will base their decisions on.

The information below contains essential requirements – if you do not have these then you are not eligible for a scholarship at this time and your application will not be considered. You should consider the information given below in terms of your own experiences and plans for the future when completing the application form. These are the areas that the panel will use to decide which candidates will be supported through The Adult Programme Scholarships.

ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS

- Applicants must live in London (priority will go to students living in our local boroughs of Hackney and Tower Hamlets).
- Applicants must have an annual income of less than £12,000 for an individual (single applicants/parents etc.) or £24,000 for a joint household (married / live in partner etc.).
- Applicants are able to clearly demonstrate that they would financially struggle to afford the concession fee and/or would not qualify for the concession fee.
- The Circus Space reserves the right to request documentation of these criteria at any stage during the period of the Scholarship award.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR PEOPLE WITH

- A commitment to completing the full series of Adult Programme Circus Art Courses from Preparatory level to the Ensemble Creation Course.
- A passion for Circus as a performing art form
- The ability to develop team working skills and work creatively with others
- Ability to pay the Scholarship level of fee

The supporting statement should come from the applicant and is not assessed on handwriting, grammar or spelling. If you would like to discuss any particular needs or submit an application in an alternative format, please contact Rob Colbert, on the above number or email.

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NAME:

AGE:

ADDRESS:

LONDON BOROUGH:

PHONE NUMBER:

EMAIL:

We primarily contact people by email, if you would prefer to be contacted by post please tick this box.

Are you: (Please tick all boxes that apply)

- | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Unemployed | <input type="checkbox"/> Over 60 – year old | <input type="checkbox"/> Parent (number of children_____) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Full Time Student | <input type="checkbox"/> ACDC member | <input type="checkbox"/> Single parent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equity Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Single | <input type="checkbox"/> Carer for a relative / other person |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing Benefit recipient | <input type="checkbox"/> Married | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Invalidity benefit recipient | <input type="checkbox"/> Living with a partner | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 18 – 25 years old | <input type="checkbox"/> Tax Credit recipient | |

SUPPORTING STATEMENT (please outline why you would like this Scholarship. You should consider the areas that we have given in the supporting information when writing it and give further details about the areas ticked above. If you need to continue on another sheet, we will accept up to one page of A4 paper as an attachment.)

ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS

Family / Household income – please complete the table below, showing income from all sources before the deduction of tax. Figures are required on an annual basis for the financial year April 2007 – April 2008. This is an example of how your completed form may look...

EXAMPLE	APPLICANT	LIVE IN PARTNER
Relationship to applicant	-	HUSBAND
Actual annual income	- £3,500	£12,000
Child Benefit	- £800	
If you are on means tested benefit please give details.		
Working Families tax credit	- £922	
Child Tax credit	- £1,500	
Tax Credits	- £750	
Any other income / financial support e.g. property, unearned income, inheritance, child maintenance or other, please specify on an annual basis:		
Housing benefit	- £4,500	
TOTALS	- £11,972	+ £12,000 = £23,972

PLEASE COMPLETE:

	APPLICANT	LIVE IN PARTNER
Actual annual income	-	
Child Benefit	-	
If you are on means tested benefit please give details.		
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	-	
Any other income / financial support e.g. property, unearned income, inheritance, child maintenance or other, please specify on an annual basis:		
	-	
TOTALS	-	+ =

Any other information which you would like us to consider

DECLARATION

I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief that all the information provided is true and I have given a full statement of my / our income from all sources during the periods shown. I understand that the giving of false information may lead to being disqualified from receiving a scholarship for the Adult Programme. In making this application I also agree to the panels final decision in good faith and not to dispute the outcome of this application.

Signed by _____ Date: _____

THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO COMPLETE THIS FORM. WE WILL ANNOUNCE THE SCHOLARSHIPS in mid-January 2008.

Return completed applications to:

The Adult Programme

The Circus Space

Coronet Street

London

N16HD

Or via email: adult@thecircusspace.co.uk