

## **Déda | Academy Courses Return to Déda in April**

**Déda reopens for Déda | Academy, the regarded programme of dance classes for children and young people from 19 April 2021.**

Déda is delighted to announce the return of in person children and young people's classes as Déda | Academy reopens in their Chapel Street building in Derby this month, following government confirmation that children's indoor activities can recommence from 12 April.

With Covid-19 safety measures in place, Déda's friendly, experienced team will guide young people through their dance journeys in Déda's beautiful, fully equipped studios. Tickets are selling fast so book early to avoid disappointment!

Déda | Academy's programme includes **IN PERSON: Movers and Shakers**, a fun and creative introduction to dance for 2- 5 year olds and their parent or guardians. Children aged 4- 11 are invited to **IN PERSON: Street Jazz** and **IN PERSON: Ballet and Contemporary** Kids (4-7) and Juniors (7-11) classes to kick off their weekends with music, dance and friends.

**IN PERSON: Youth Company Class** offers 10- 19 year olds the chance to explore creative dance techniques in Déda's professional dance studios, while **ONLINE: Illuminate** brings together disabled people aged 10 -25 years to dance safely on Zoom.

For adults, Déda continues to offer an online programme of **#DerbyWell** drop in classes including **ONLINE: Ballet to Make You Feel Better**, **ONLINE: Yoga with Marie** and **ONLINE: Rock the Hoop** (hula-hoop dance class). Weekly **Wellbeing Wednesday** classes for adults will give participants the chance to try a different style each week.

Déda's online classes were launched in November 2020 as part of **#LIVEInYourLivingRoom**, a programme of events, performances, activities and blogs to bring us closer through art and culture during social distancing.

Déda's building including the CUBE café | bar are currently closed to the public with the exception of hires, residencies and University of Derby's BA degree programme. Check [www.deda.uk.com/news](http://www.deda.uk.com/news) for the latest updates.

**Isobel Davis, Academy Manager and Dance Development and Learning Coordinator at Déda says:**

*"We are thrilled to have young people back in our studios at Déda where the vibrancy, creativity and joy that comes with dancing can resume, and that we can continue to allow our participants to access high quality, fun and enriching dance classes that develop confidence, creativity, dance skills and technique!"*

**Parent of Movers and Shakers participant says:**

*"My child has been transported to another world – Beautiful!"*

Déda's in person and online class programmes will begin on the week commencing **Monday 19 April 2021**. Prices begin from £3.50 per class. Tickets are onsale now and can be purchased from <https://www.deda.uk.com/classes>.

For more information and enquiries contact the Box Office team at [info@deda.uk.com](mailto:info@deda.uk.com).

**Early Bird Offer - 20% off when you book your class or course in advance**

It pays off to plan ahead! Get booking in your next-term classes, whilst we're offering 20% off all online adult classes\*, online Illuminate course and in-person Déda | Academy courses taking place between Monday 19 April - Saturday 29 May!

Simply quote the promo code **Class21** at checkout.

Offer ends 11.59 on Sunday 18 April 2021.

\*Offer currently excludes Wellbeing Wednesday classes Terms and conditions apply.

Visit: <https://www.deda.uk.com/news/2021/early-bird-offer-benefit-from-20-off-when-you-book-your-class-or-course-in-advance-available-for-a-limited-time-only>

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**Notes to Editors**

**Déda**

**Déda** is a creative centre for dance, contemporary circus and outdoor performance based in the heart of the cathedral quarter in Derby – connecting locally, nationally and

internationally. Déda has **3 studios**, a **124 seat theatre** and produces **Derby Festé** - an annual international outdoor street arts festival. Déda run a nationally recognised and award-winning Dance Development and Learning programme including BA and MA degree programmes in Dance and Choreography.

Déda receives funding from Arts Council England and is supported by Derby City Council.

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